

THE CONNECTION

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Greetings from Pastor Paul

Hello Everyone,

The Fear + Less Congregation Initiative is a program that meets 4 more times (Oct. 18 at Trinity UMC 9-noon, Oct. 22 zoom 6:30-8, Nov. 15 zoom 9-noon & Nov. 22 at Shawnee UMC 9-noon) where we will discuss ways we can work with other United Methodist Congregations to reach people for Christ. Much like the Pentecost service that happened this summer at Faurot Park, if you would like to help with this group which will only meet until the end of November, there is a sign-up sheet in the Connection Cafe. You do not need to be able to attend all 5 sessions to be a part of the group.

October 30th will be Trick or Treating in the neighborhood and again this year we will be handing out treats to the children who are out celebrating Halloween. You can begin to watch for special deals on candy that you can place in the box where donations are collected and there is a possibility we may serve hot dogs to people as well. If you would like to help, please let me know and I will pass your name along to those in charge.

November 1st we will be having Westside Fall BINGO, it's a time to gather together for some fun and fellowship. Bring a snack to share and be ready for 2 hours of fun and fellowship from 10am to noon. I hope you will all join me as we spend some time getting to know one another and enjoying being the body of Christ.

We will be finishing up the Unafraid series of sermons as we look at aging and death. I know there are some of you who do not like to think about death but it is the only guarantee that every human being is born with. We will all die and I know there is a way to face that future Unafraid. I hope you will join me this Sunday in person or online as we look at what Jesus and the Bible tell us about aging and death. Until then I will see you in the mission field.

Yours in Christ

Pastor Paul

Pastor Paul is in the Westside Church Office from 10:00 – 4:00 each Tuesday. He can be reached at the church office phone (419.223.2881) his cell (734.660.1984) or email 4PastorPaul@gmail.com.

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO ARE SERVING

Sunday, October 19, 2025

Worship Liturgist	Deb Pedersen
Song Leader	Pam Ditto
Pianist	Eileen Hartles
K.I.D.'s Connection	Michelle Cole

Sunday, October 26, 2025

Worship Liturgist	Carol Blass
Song Leader	Pam Ditto
Pianist	Eileen Hartles
K.I.D.'s Connection	Jacqui Dill

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Join the group to assist in the media booth. Skills needed: willingness to serve, no prior experience needed – training is available – be available on Sunday mornings of your choice. We appreciate Mark Triplett and Larry Kirtland who have stepped forward thus far.

Worship Liturgist rotate and serve two or three times each quarter. If you would like to be part of the team, please let the Pastor or Carol Blass know. All are welcome and appreciated.

***You are invited to become a part of the Fear+Less Team. Sign up or call the church office and leave word on what days you will participate and share your ideas. Sowing the seeds in our community is so-o-o important! Sign up for one, two, three or all of the sessions!!*

Come and greet our neighbors and children and help us serve hot dogs and candy to the trick or treaters! It is so fun to see the many different costumes and to let the neighbors know they are welcome at Westside! October 30th 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. In front of the church building.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

October 18	9:00 – Noon Fear+Less Congregation Initiative, Trinity UMC
20	7:30 p.m. Leadership Team Meeting
22 or 25	Zoom Mtg. Fear+Less Congregation Initiative
30	Trick or Treat at Westside
November 1	10:00 a.m. – Noon Bingo Come join in the fun

WESTSIDE FALL B.I.N.G.O.



WHO:

ALL WHO ARE
AVAILABLE FOR
FUN, SNACKS
AND FELLOWSHIP

WHEN:

**Saturday,
November
1, 2025**

TIME:

10 am - 12 pm

WHAT:

IT'S TIME TO
GATHER TOGETHER
FOR SOME FUN AND
FELLOWSHIP.

BRING A SNACK
FOOD TO SHARE
WITH EVERYONE.
2 HOURS OF
TOGETHERNESS AS
A BODY OF CHRIST.

WHERE:

**Entrance at
Westside UMC
604 Gloria Ave,
Lima, OH 45805
PH: 419 223 2881**

CONNECTION CORNER

LET'S CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS!

October 2 Ronda Maginnity
6 Sally Leidy
13 Tom Leidy
17 Trudy Snider
18 Peggy Kincaid
27 Kathleen Aufderhaar
28 Jack Ditto

ANNIVERSERIES TO CELEBRATE!

October 15 Bruce & Loretta Hodges
18 Tim & Kay Kunkleman
18 Jason & Eileen Hartles

Greeting cards are in the Café for your use. Help yourself to the one you need.

UPPER ROOM GATHERING, WEDNESDAY MORNINGS AT 9:00 A.M.

We will be sharing our ideas on the devotions found in the Upper Room Devotional (Devotional found in the Narthex). Each week there seems to be a lively discussion, which as a small group, we sometimes are in agreement and sometimes we are in a friendly disagreement! However, we each find we are growing with the sharing of thoughts, concerns, prayer needs and learning to know and understand each other on a deeper level.

Everyone is welcome to come to the Connection Café, grab a cup of coffee, and join us as your schedule allows.

October 22 – Discussion will be around Titus 3:1-8 “By their fruit you will recognize them.”

October 29 – Our topic will be Trusting God's Plan, Jeremiah 10-13

PRAYER CONCERNS

Delores Gossard

Dave McElderry (home)

Dewey Taylor (Springview Manor)

Triplett Family

Fear+Less Congregations

Jerry Ditto

Debby Briggs

Cheryl Sutherly

Jack & Becky Crabtree

Eileen Hartles

Pam Boedicker

Maleeda Meffley

Ed Scannell (Pastor's father)

Richard Gaberdiel

FAMILY PROMISE MINISTRY AND THE C.U.P. (Church United Pantry) Ministry are both in need of a variety of items.

Baskets are in narthex for you to place donated items.

C.U.P. Needs October - Toothpaste and Toothbrushes; November - Shampoo

Family Promise needs: Cleaning supplies; paper products; bath towels and wash cloths; Men, women and children shampoo; lotions; snacks for children.

THE ARK@WESTSIDE

The Ark@Westside is a convenient space for your special occasion! It is available for baby/wedding showers, graduation, birthday parties, meetings or social gatherings.

Call the church office (419.223.2881) where you can leave a message and a return call will be made to you to answer your questions and take reservations.

YouTube Channel

Visit our YouTube Channel to view recent services. You can visit it at **<https://www.youtube.com/@WestsideUMCLima>** or go to **YouTube.com** and search for “**Westside UMC Lima**”.