

THE CONNECTION

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Greetings from Pastor Paul

Hello Everyone,

November is the midterm elections and St. Paul's and Westside will be ordering "Let's Love One Another" yard signs similar to the "Do Unto Other" signs from the presidential election. There is an example of what it looks like on the table in the Connection Café. I will eventually have a sign-up sheet for signs, it will be \$15 and they will be delivered at the end of September. I hope you will join me this fall as we campaign for kindness this election season.

Westside United Methodist Church was incorporated in 2001, but how did we come into existence? Two churches (Sharon Park & High Street UMC) decided to combine to become one church and Westside was born. We are gathering together on the 27th of September to celebrate the Anniversary in worship, following our normal worship time with Hymns and a program and finally we are gathering to share a meal and stories about the birth of a new church and many ministries that you continue here at Westside. Hopefully we have some special guests that some of you may remember who will say a few words. You are invited to bring a dish to pass and we will gather together to have lunch and celebrate 25 years of Westside.

The sign-up sheet for the Lifewise 5K water stations is on the table in the Connection Café join us as we encourage runners/walkers and hand out water in Elida at the Field House or at St. Paul's.

We are finishing the "Sermon on the Mount" series as we look at what it is we should use as a foundation for our lives. We have heard the words of Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount but the question becomes what will do? I hope you will join me Sunday in person or online as we find our foundation, 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, August 30, 2026

Worship Liturgist	Lonnie Pedersen
Song Leader	Pam Ditto
Pianist	Eileen Hartles
K.I.D.'s Connection	Sally Leidy

Sunday, September 6, 2026

Worship Liturgist	Pam Ditto
Song Leader	Pam Ditto
Pianist	Eileen Hartles
K.I.D.'s Connection	Jessica Schelb

Thank You!

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- Volunteers are needed to help out at **Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen** (125 S Central Ave in Lima) on the 4th Thursday of every month. Please contact JoEllen Cook at 419-228-4516 for details.
- The sign-up sheet for the Lifewise 5K water stations on September 5th is on the table in the Connection Café. Join us as we encourage runners/walkers and hand out water in Elida at the Field House or at St. Paul's starting at 9am.
- School Kit, Health Kit, and Period Pack lists for Festival of Sharing are in the narthex. Take a list and create your kit and return it by September 13th.
- The Upper Room Gathering on Wednesday mornings at 9:00. A seat is waiting for you!
- Do you have any pictures of Westside activities that you would like to share at our anniversary celebration? You may give those photos to the office, but be sure to write your name on the back of the photos so that they will be returned promptly.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Delores Gossard	Tom & Pat Bodell
Dave & Helen McElderry	Cathy Schelb
Dewey & Connie Taylor	Annie (recovering from strokes)
Jacqui Dill	Shirley Campbell

CONNECTION CORNER

BIRTHDAYS

August

26 Loretta Hodges

September

03 Jason Crawford

07 Bruce Hodges

14 Carol Blass

20 Jack Somerville

24 Joe Frail

ANNIVERSARIES

September

27 Shawn & Jane Stevens

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

*If there is a birthday or anniversary we are missing, please let the office know.

FAMILY PROMISE MINISTRY AND 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: August – Soap or Body wash.

September – Deodorant. Non-perishable food items such as canned goods and dried food items are always needed.

Family Promise Needs: Children's Tylenol – infant & toddler, postage stamps, aluminum foil, 24 pack of water, disposable coffee cups, hair brushes, toilet paper, and paper towels. Or contact Family Promise to make a 'gift-in-kind' donation.

Important Dates for your Calendar

August

21-29 Allen County Fair Courtesy Cart

26 9 am Upper Room Study

30 9am Worship

September

2 9 am Upper Room Study

5 9 am Lifewise 5K Run/Walk in Elida (Labor Day)

6 9 am Worship

9 9 am Upper Room Study

13 9 am Worship – Communion

Hospitality Sunday



You are cordially invited
to celebrate the 25th
Anniversary of . . .

*Westside United
Methodist Church*

Sunday, September 27, 2026

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RSVP To: office@limawestsideumc.com

PLEASE JOIN US FOR:

9 AM – SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

10:15 AM – A SILVER MILESTONE HOUR,
A GOLDEN FUTURE.

11:30 AM – CARRY-IN LUNCHEON

We can't wait to share this
special occasion with you!