WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBER

We warmly welcome Paul Burch into our St. Paul's Church family. We are very glad to have you join us, Paul, and we look forward to getting to know you better. Here is Paul's contact information: 118 Depot Street, Larrabee, IA 51029. His cell phone number is (712) 221-9603.

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL PORK DINNER

The tremendous pork roast and potatoes provided and cooked by the Parker family, the delicious homegrown Parker sweet corn prepared by many different hands, the mouth-watering rolls baked by Rod Bainbridge, the scrumptious DQ ice cream provided by Peggy Rasch, and the usual amazing selection of salads and helpful assistance provided by our St. Paul's family led to another very enjoyable church dinner this past Sunday. It is Bob and Peg Parker and their family who get this event off the ground every year, and we extend our sincere appreciation to them for their leadership and support. The offering collected at the dinner provided over eleven hundred dollars to support the budgeted needs and many ministries of St. Paul's.

THANK YOU SO MUCH

A big thank you goes to everyone in our church family who helped set up Saturday afternoon, furnished a salad, prepared or helped serve food, helped with clean-up, or financially supported the pork loin dinner. Thanks to all of you the dinner was a success!

-The Parker Family

OUR MINISTRY SUPPORTED

Budget expense 40 weeks into the year: \$211.640 Received to support budgeted expenses: \$156,497

ELSIE LENZ HAD A BIRTHDAY YESTERDAY

Elsie Lenz celebrated her 94th birthday vesterday, October 13th. We know she'd really enjoy receiving birthday greetings from her St. Paul's Church family. Here is her address: Elsie Lenz, 1011 North Roosevelt Avenue, Room 101, Cherokee, IA 51012.

THE CARE AND SHARE SHOP NEWS

I will be at the church on Monday and Tuesday of this week (October 15th and 16th) from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. sorting clothes for the Care and Share Shop. Anyone who would like to help is welcome. I also want to let you know that we are now accepting household goods in addition to clothing. Thank you very much for all the donations that have already come in to the shop.

-Jennifer Decious

JOY CIRCLE WILL MEET ON OCTOBER 17TH

Joy Circle will meet on Wednesday, October 17th, at 9:30 a.m. in the Schuldt Dining Hall. Barb Kratz is the hostess, and Glenda Parrish will be giving the program.

CHARITY CIRCLE WILL MEET ON OCTOBER 17TH

Charity Circle will meet on Wednesday, October 17th, at 1:30 p.m. in the Schuldt Dining Hall. Sharon Bennink is the hostess, with Becky James serving as co-hostess. The program will be given by Della Wolf.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

The Finance Committee will have their next meeting on Wednesday, October 17th, at 6:00 p.m. in the Schuldt Dining Hall.

WHAT IS THE OPIOID EPIDEMIC?

On Thursday, October 18th at 6:30 p.m., the Cherokee Area Opioid Taskforce is presenting a community awareness program entitled "What is the Opioid Epidemic?" with keynote speaker Rod Courtney. The program will be held at Washington High School in Cherokee. Rod Courtney, a retired parole officer who lost his son to overdose, now represents C.R.U.S.H. (Community Resources United to Stop Heroin). He and his wife will share their story. In addition, Jackson Recovery Center Prevention Specialists will share information on addiction and resources available. A medication drop box will be available at the program for safe disposal of any unused medication. The What You Don't See-Iowa Mobile Training Trailer will be on site one hour before and after the presentations. Adults only, please. Complimentary babysitting and light refreshments will be provided.

THE 500 ITEM DRIVE

St. Paul's United Methodist Church is again conducting a fall campaign to collect canned goods and nonperishable items for the three food banks in Cherokee. The grocery carts will be available beginning next Sunday, October 21st.

-Missions Committee

ATTENTION ALL SALAD MAKERS

We are looking for volunteers to help UMW with the Election Day luncheon by making a salad. Beginning next Sunday, October 21st, ice cream buckets with recipes will be in the dining hall for you to take, fill, and return. We appreciate your help!

MISSIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

The St. Paul's Missions Committee will be meeting on Tuesday, October 23rd, at 10:00 a.m. in the Schuldt Dining Hall.

BROASTED PORK CHOP DINNER

The United Methodist Church in Holstein (208 South Kiel Street) is having their broasted pork chop dinner on Wednesday, October 24th. They will be serving carry outs only from 4:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. The price for a dinner is \$12.00.

CHARGE CONFERENCE

Our annual Charge Conference will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 24th, in the Schuldt Dining Hall. Please plan to attend and help us celebrate another good year of ministry.

CHILDREN'S SABBATH SUNDAY

Children's Sabbath is Sunday, October 28th. Our St. Paul's children and youth will be participating in all parts of the service which will highlight issues faced by children. Their theme is "Realizing Dr. King's Vision for Every Child: Lives of Hope, Not Despair." Please plan to attend this special service.

OMELET BRUNCH AND BAKE SALE

The Memorial Presbyterian Women invite you to an omelet brunch and bake sale on Sunday, October 28th from 10:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the church dining hall.

THE LESTERS IN CONCERT

The Lesters, a family ministry since 1925, will be sharing the Good News through Gospel music on Sunday, October 28th. The concert will begin at 6:00 p.m. at the Cherokee Community Center. For more information, call (712) 443-8283 or visit this website: www.thelesters.com.

ELECTION DAY LUNCHEON AND BAKE SALE

Our United Methodist Women will have their Election Day luncheon and bake sale on Tuesday, November 6th. This is an all-church fundraiser. We are seeking people to make salads and bake sale items, help with ticket sales, set up, serve, assist with the deliveries, and clean up. If you can help in any way, please contact one of the following people: Patti Blum, Jeanne Blackstone, Sherry Held, or Barb Kratz.