

Alton United Methodist Church

St. Paul United Methodist Church

Dear Friends,

I am excited to serve as your new pastor. The moving van just unloaded yesterday and opening every box to put things away is just like Christmas.

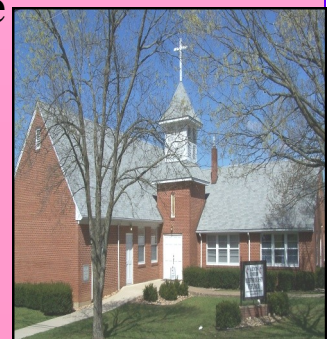
You have been very welcoming as I get settled in. To all who cleaned the house, made repairs, helped unload the truck, and brought food– I can't say thank you enough.

I am looking forward to getting to know you. Right now I feel like I am in a state of confusion with so many new names and faces to learn. Keep reminding me who you are and I will work on remembering your names.

A little about me: I am 59 years young, divorced, with no kids. I was born and raised in Hays, Kansas. I have a B.S. degree in journalism from University of Kansas and a Master of Divinity from Eden Theological Seminary in St. Louis. Before answering a call to ministry I was a newspaper reporter, photographer, sports editor, medical publications editor, public relations specialist and a marketing/business development manager.

Those are all just facts. There is so much more to know. And I want to learn about you, as well. Stop by for a cup of coffee or let's go to lunch so I can hear your stories and dreams. Together we will forge a new future in ministry for the Thayer and Alton communities.

**Yours in Christ,
Pastor Pam.**



Welcome, Pastor Pam!
We hope that as you begin your journey with St. Paul, you are welcomed with opened arms and hearts. We look forward to getting to know you! Welcome!

Good Night
By Carl Sandburg

Many ways to say good night.

Fireworks at a pier on the Fourth of July
spell it with red wheels and yellow spokes.
They fizz in the air, touch the water and quit.
Rockets make a trajectory of gold-and-blue
and then go out.

Railroad trains at night spell with a smokestack
mushrooming a white pillar.

Steamboats turn a curve in the Mississippi cry-
ing a baritone that crosses lowland
cotton fields to razorback hill.

It is easy to spell good night.
Many ways to spell good night.

July Meal of the Month

Peanut Butter
Jelly
Canned fruit & Jell-O
Bonus Item: Toothpaste



A Fourth Of July Wish
By Edgar Albert Guest

This is the day when we are great,
And sally forth to celebrate;
When night comes on, God grant that we
Have ears to hear and eyes to see

Thank you Pastor Denzil and Judy!



We wish you the best of luck on
your new adventure. Thank you
for the years you've given us!



July Communion

Stewards:

Chuck & Freddie Bruce

July Liturgist:

Still needed

Happy Independence Day!



Notice:
The Leadership
meeting will be on
July 10th at 1 p.m.
The Trustee's meet-
ing will be on July
17th at 12 p.m.

Teens and Tweens on a Mission (TnT) had a farewell party with Pastor D. and Judy at the Parsonage on their last meeting day of the school year.

We have a storage closet under the stairs in the basement of the Alton church and decided we could paint it that same afternoon. It had been a dingy white color but it isn't now!

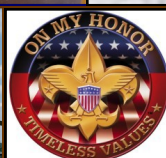


**July Liturgist
Claude Malone**



The Alton Sunday School class raised \$103 and will donate the funds to Heifer International!

Alton VBS will be held on July 13th from 8 am to 5 pm at the Alton City Park. The theme is VBS Olympics. Go for the gold and contact Amelia Crowder for more information!



Scout News

The Cub Scouts held their



annual crossover in May at the Alton Park, with 13 boys advancing in rank. Nine Cub Scouts participated in the Cub Scout Day Camp at West Plains June 16th-18th. "Take Flight" was the camp theme and the boys enjoyed shooting BB guns, archery, crafts, games and visits from AirEvac and West Plains RC Airplane Club. The Cubs will have a pool party and visit the bounce house as their last two summer events. The Boy Scouts recently camped out at Old Kia Kima campground in Cherokee Village from June 10th-12th. They also floated the South Fork River and a great time was had by all! The Scouts will attend summer camp at Kia Kima in July for a full week. Please remember that the Boy Scouts are selling chances for \$500.00 cash, a Kayak or an X-Box for \$5.00 each. The drawing will be held on July 1, 2016, at the Alton 4th of July Celebration. If you are interested in tickets please contact Carl Fraley, Ed Roberts or a Boy Scout. Thank you for your support!

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“Where liberty dwells, there is my country.” -Benjamin Franklin

St. Paul Monthly Calendar

Carry-In Dinner 1st Sunday at 12 pm
Leadership Mtg. 1st Sunday at 1 pm
UMM Breakfast 2nd Sunday at 7 am
Trustees Mtg. 2nd Sunday at 12 pm
UMW Meeting 3rd Thursday at 6 pm
Piecemakers every Thursday at 9 am
Exercise Group
Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 11 am

Alton Monthly Calendar

UMM Breakfast 1st Sunday at 7 am
Leadership Mtg. 2nd Sunday at 7 pm
Stitches & Prayers every Tuesday at 9 am
UMW Meeting 3rd Thursday at 6 pm
Quilting Circle 3rd Wednesday 9-3 pm



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