

SAINT PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH PARISH MESSENGER

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NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: Articles for the August newsletter need to be in the church office by **July 15, 2021.**

Pastor's Letter for July 2021

"We give thanks to you, O God, we give thanks! For your wondrous works declare that your name is near." Psalm 75:1

We certainly have a lot to give thanks for:

- An end to most Covid restrictions
- Our blessed nation
- Many visitors and new members at Saint Paul
- A return of many of our former Covid homebonds
- New babies
- Great preparations for VBS
- A beautiful facility and grounds
- Faithful members

This list could go on and on. We are a blessed people, and we thank God for sustaining us through every trial! We are now permitted, by York Hospital, to come and do pastoral visits, and many nursing homes are also lifting their strict requirements and so we are looking forward to getting back to doing visits on a more regular basis. Hopefully, we can get our deacon program going strong again so that the shut-ins have even more contact with the congregation. Thank you to Social Ministry for the work they did during the shutdown to encourage those who were particularly isolated.

The greatest way to show our thanks to God is through our worship together. We are the body of Christ and as the body gathers, we are invigorated by Christ's presence and the bond of fellowship is enlivened by the Holy Spirit.

Please continue to pray for our community of faith as we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the word of God.

Thanks for all you do to serve Christ our King in this place and in your daily walk!

God bless,
Pastor Sally

SPECIAL APPEAL FOR July
Gideons –Distributing Bibles and New Testaments
around the World

Having God's Word can and does lead people to faith in Christ, and those new Christians then grow by studying their Scriptures and even use them to share their faith with others. For this reason, they focus on distributing complete Bibles, New Testaments, or portions thereof. These copies of God's Word are either given directly to certain individuals or placed in selected public locations where large numbers of people, may be searching for answers. We are thankful that one of our members, Al Dickensheets, is a part of this organization which does vital work for the kingdom of God. Prayerfully consider how you can help support this work financially. Checks should be made payable to Saint Paul Lutheran Church with Gideons in the memo line. Thank you!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY 70 +

If your birthday is coming up and you do not want it recognized, please call the church office before the 15th of the month before your birthday.



July	5	Norma Krebs 2864 Golden Villas Dr., York, PA 17408
July	6	Helen Bollinger 221 McKinley Ave., Hanover, PA 17331
July	9	Dorothy Mann 1806 Hilton Ave., Dover, PA 17315
July	19	Lisa Strouse 4269 Marlborough Rd., Dover, PA 17315
July	28	David Shaffer 147 Lark Circle York, PA 17404
July	30	Charles Frey, Jr. 204 Melinda Dr., York, PA 17408



Dayne Brindle, son of Dave and Sue, is on a back-to-back deployment with the Navy. He was expected to be home in June, but now is helping to support the removal of troops in Afghanistan. Dayne's 25th birthday is July 19th, and we would like to send him a card shower to let him know we are thinking of him. Mail takes approximately 3-4 weeks to arrive. Cards may be sent to: EMN2 Brindle Dayne, Dwight D Eisenhower CVN 69, Unit 100236 Box 4400, FPO AE 09532

CYC is now accepting applications for the 2021-2022 school year for both the 3 and 4-year-old classes. Children need to be either 3 or 4 by the 1st of September.

Registration can be done through saintpaultrinity.org, the CYC webpage, cycpreschool.com, or by calling the church office and requesting a registration form.

The 3-year old's meet 3 days a week from 9:00-12:00 and the 4-year old's meet 5 days a week from 9:00-2:00. Tuition for the 3's is \$135/ month and for the 4's it is \$270/month - both with a nonrefundable registration fee of \$20.00.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Recap of Treasurer's Report as of May 31, 2021

	Current	Bene.	Bldg Maint.	Total	Capital Fund
2021 YTD Receipts	\$146,482	\$14,891	\$37,979	\$199,352	\$70,675
Disbursements	\$140,339	\$14,000	\$29,599	\$183,938	\$34,033
2021 Change in Fund Balance	\$6,143	\$891	\$8,380	\$15,414	\$36,642
Prior Year's Bal.	\$27,022	\$3,188	\$902	\$31,112	\$421,875
Accumulated Fund Balance	\$33,165	\$4,079	\$9,282	\$46,526	\$458,517
Fund Balance Last Month	\$33,305	\$2,768	\$(4,358)	\$31,715	\$449,345
This Month's Change	\$(140)	\$1,311	\$13,640	\$14,811	\$9,172

Phase 2 renovations current loan balance is: \$402,457.73

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The Church Council meeting was held in the Parlor on May 11, 2021. With the exception of Mike Barndt, all of the council members were present along with Pastor Paul and Pastor Sally.

OPENING DEVOTIONS: Led by Pastor Paul and Pastor Sally

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA: Motion to accept the agenda made by Marty Strine and 2nd by Rodney Smyser.

MINUTES OF LAST COUNCIL MEETING: Motion to accept the minutes made by Donna Huckenberry and 2nd by Marty Strine.

PASTORS' REPORT: Presented by Pastor Paul

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

MINISTRY OF RESOURCES – Prayer offered by Sue Dickensheets.

FINANCE – Presented by Rodney Smyser. Next meeting August 2, 2021

- Focus discussion on electronic giving options. Will review an updated quote from Vanco at the next meeting.
- Finance Committee requested that the \$10,000 contribution made in Memory of Elsie Wire be moved into the Endowment Fund. Council voted and denied the request. Donation is to remain in the Memorial Fund.

MUTUAL MINISTRY – Next meeting May 17, 2021

PROPERTY – Presented by Marty Strine. Next meeting TBD

- The basement was cleaned on April 17th.
- Saturday May 15th @ 9am plan to trim weeds out front.
- Playground to receive new mulch.
- Steeple to be painted at the end of May.
- Naïve renovations, Parking lot and Education wing roof projects on hold.

MINISTRY OF GROWTH – Prayer offered by Dave Grube.

FELLOWSHIP – Presented by Monica Hostetler.

Next meeting October 7, 2021

YOUTH AND FAMILY LIFE – Presented by Monica Hostetler. Next meeting June 14, 2021

- The above two committees are working together to host a Church Bonfire for Friday, May 21, 2021. Planning an evening of fun with food, games, fellowships, fire, music, and devotions.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION – Present by Donna Huckenberry. Next meeting June 14, 2021

- VBS plans have begun. VBS will be held in the evening, Sunday – Thursday this summer.
- CYC Update presented by Pastor Sally. Currently there are seven 4-year-olds and eight 3-year-olds registered for school in the fall. There is a Mutual Ministry and Task Force meeting scheduled next week. Committee will look into requirements of offering benefits and cost of workmen's compensation for these new positions.

MINISTRY OF SERVICE – Prayer offered by Donna Rinehart.

STEWARDSHIP – Presented by Joe Jones. Next meeting August 2, 2021

- The Scholarship Committee is not currently outlined in the Church Constitution. Suggestion made to bring it under the umbrella of the Stewardship Committee.
- Scholarship Application was last updated in 1991. Recommendation was made to have a modified application for students reapplying for the scholarship.

OUTREACH – Presented by Pastor Paul. Next meeting will be May 13, 2021.

SOCIAL MINISTRY – Presented by Donna Rinehart. Next meeting June 15, 2021

- There will be a geranium sale for Pentecost.
- Cards were sent to the shut-ins for Pentecost with a dove inside.

MINISTRY OF PRAISE – Prayer offered by Pastor Paul.

WORSHIP & PRAISE – Refer to minutes, next meeting tomorrow May 12, 2021.

OLD BUSINESS:

- God Stories- God is good all of the time.
- Weekly prayer emailed bulletins and mailed bulletins – Only mailing bulletins upon request, copies of bulletins are available for pick up in the library area.
- Protocol Review – Revised proposal to Mask Recommended beginning this Sunday.
 - 5/15/21 – Addendum
Due to latest CDC statement, decision was made to remove the mask sign from the church doors and make a verbal announcement at service that “we are no longer asking people to wear masks.”
- Outdoor Worship has resumed for 2nd service, weather permitting.
- Technology Task Force recommendations tabled until our next meeting. Church Council wants a better assessment of online viewers (ie., number of viewers and length of viewing seconds, minutes vs the entirety of the service)
- Pastor Paul and Pastor Sally traveled to Philadelphia to visit Saint James Lutheran Church. The church Pastor is requesting our prayers as they face many challenges.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Next month’s Church Council meeting is rescheduled for Tuesday, June 15, 2021.
- No Church Council meeting in July.

REQUESTS FOR USE OF FACILITIES:

- AA and Girl Scouts continue use of facilities.
- Motion made to accept the special requests noted below by Joe Jones and 2nd by Dave Grube.

Approved by Church Council.

- Thursday, December 9, 2021 – Al Dickensheets - The Giddeons' Christmas Party
- Sunday, December 12, 2021, 12:30-5:00pm – Sharon Mummert – Shearer Christmas Party
- Saturday, December 18, 2021 (9am set-up) 5:30-10pm – Rodney Smyser – Smyser Family Christmas Party/dinner
- Sunday, December 19, 2021, 12-4pm – Donna Huckenberry – Wire Family Christmas Party

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE:

Death: Nancy Zerby, 5/11/21

Transfer in: Greg and Lyn Greco (Saint Paul, Spring Grove) and Susan Fox (St Johns, New Freedom) 5/23/21



OUR DAILY BREAD: Our dessert for July is Ice Cream Dixies. Anyone who wishes to make a monetary donation for this snack, please mark an envelope “Our Daily Bread Dixies” and place it in the offering plate. Thank you!

HARVEST OF HOPE NEEDS

The food pantry is unable to accept any food donations at this time until further notice. Monetary donations may be made to the church and marked “pantry.”



CHOIR SCHEDULE WILL RESUME IN THE FALL

Our choir schedules will resume this Fall and we hope to welcome many people to our music ensembles! Please look for a Music Survey, which will be sent by email, and paper copies will also be available in the library area.

MEN OF FAITH

Men of Faith will resume on Saturday, September 11 with breakfast and Program from 8 am until 9:30 am. We will meet in Fellowship Hall. This year the themes will be particularly interesting as we will feature both an updated look at material from Joe Gibb's Gameplan for Life and a short topical presentation. The presentation in September will be a fascinating look at the Pennsylvania Reserves, the only all Pennsylvania Division in the Union Army during the Civil War. Hear and see, through the use of Power Point, of their triumphs, faith and travails of this famous unit as Pastor Paul leads you through their story.

VBS ADULT CLASS

So, you can't make it to the Holy Land in person but want to learn more and see more about the Bible? What can you do? Well, we have one answer for you, attend the four session, *Drive Through History: Holy Land*, Bible Study. This is a very lively, fun, and inspirational journey through the Holy Land featuring Dave Stotts as he literally drives through the lands of the Bible and engages in Bible Study about it in the process. This will take place in the large conference room, from 6:30-8:00 pm July 19-22nd. (No class Sunday night.)

BACKYARD CAMPFIRE IS BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!

We had so much fun in May using the backyard for food and games that we have scheduled another event for **July 30**.

We'll meet at 6:30 pm for hot dogs and watermelon and then play (basketball, kickball, corn hole, etc), have devotions, and smores. The event will end by 8:30 pm.

E-mail or call to let us know you are coming. We want to have plenty of food for all.





WORSHIP IN JULY

- July 4** **Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**
First Lesson: Ezekiel 2:1-5
Second Lesson: 2 Corinthians 12:1-10
Gospel: Mark 6:1-13
- July 11** **Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**
First Lesson: Amos 7:7-15
Second Lesson: Ephesians 1:3-14
Gospel: Mark 6:14-29
- July 18** **Eighth Sunday after Pentecost**
First Lesson: Jeremiah 23:1-6
Second Lesson: Ephesians 2:11-22
Gospel: Mark 6:30-44
- July 25** **Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**
First Lesson: Genesis 9:8-17
Second Lesson: Ephesians 3:14-21
Gospel: Mark 6:46-56



BLANKET WORKSHOP: LWR Quilts are used when natural disasters strike. They help show our love and compassion to those in need. Our quilting ministry needs some helping hands. There are tasks that can be done at home that do not take much time, such as cutting squares, washing material, sewing quilts, or tying knots.

We will meet the second Tuesday of each month at 9 am (for 60-90 minutes) at Saint Paul beginning in July. Anyone interested in helping can contact Bertha Spahr 717-225-6938, or just come to the quilting room at Saint Paul on the second Tuesday morning. If you go to yard sales or are Spring cleaning, we are always looking for cotton material, tablecloths or curtains that are not plastic backed and sheets of any size. Donations can be dropped off at church. This ministry is a tangible way to express Christian love to those in dire situations.

SPONSORSHIPS

ALTAR FLOWERS (\$40/wk)

July 4	Bernice Bahn / Carl Smyser
July 11	Carl Smyser
July 18	Geraldine Bahn / Gary & Dot Mann
July 25	Wayne Adams / Jack & Joyce Hall

BULLETIN (\$20/wk.)

July 4	Todd, Lorie & Samantha Krebs
July 11	John & Esther Jacobs
July 18	Carl Smyser
July 25	Ira & Gloria Keech & Family

BREAD & WINE (\$10/wk.)

July 4	Doug & Lesa Masemer
July 11	Mike & Marguerite Keller
July 18	Pat Eisenhart & Family
July 25	Richard & Mary Keller

MAILING (\$10/wk.)

July 4	Deb & Denny Shue
July 11	Deb & Denny Shue
July 18	Donald Nace
July 25	Mike & Marguerite Keller

PARISH MESSENGER (\$60/month)

Carl Smyser

SANCTUARY LAMP (\$15/month)

Marty & Sandy Albright

Women of the Word is planning to meet on Tuesday, July 13, 2021, at 1:00 pm. We will conclude our "*Living for Jesus*" bible study. Deb Abrecht will lead our study "*Glory in Him*". We invite all ladies to join us. We will use the same protocols that are in place at that time for meetings (masks, social distancing). Hope to see you there!

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

"If any of you is lacking in wisdom, ask God, who gives to all generously and ungrudgingly, and it will be given to you."

James 1:5

Faith Builders meet all summer!

(Faith Learning 9:30 on Sunday Morning) For Adults:

Parents of Faith – prayer and Bible study of relevant topics for parents as they raise their children in the faith – this class meets on the stage.

Institute for Lutheran Theology Bible Study—This Class meets in the large Conference Room.

Concordia study works through various books of the Bible- this class meets in the Quilters Room.

4 in Forty-Is Pastor Paul's Class which looks at Scripture, Church History, contemporary Christian engagement, and challenges in the world, in a lively and engaging format. Meets in the Small Conference Room in the office suite.

Faith building for youth and children:

Classes Pre-K to 5th grade meets in Fellowship Hall with lively faith filled lessons.

6th – 12th grade meets in the new parlor, with a relaxed curriculum and plenty of time for discussion.

All classes are taught by a capable and loving staff who are registered with the church and have clearances.



Friends in Christ is a group for widows, widowers, and anyone who wants to join us for a time of fellowship. We'll start up again in September.

SERVANTS

We are trying a new approach to our work with Servants this year. Instead of participating in the work camp week, we are volunteering on **Saturday, August 7, from 9 am–1 pm.** Once we find out who is going to be a part of our work team, Servants will find a job(s) for us to do that matches our skill sets. Sign up by contacting Pastor Sally to get the e-mail link, or pick up a paper form at church and return it by July 18. This is a good project for youth and adults to work together with hands-on service to our neighbors in York County. (We'll meet at church at 8:15 am, have lunch together at 1:00 pm, and be back at church by 2:00 pm.)



Thank you to the Pastors, Marty, Sandy and Savannah Albright, John and Linda Sherman, Dave and Sue Brindle, Jenny Walter and Bob Yeater for once again helping to gather 30 bags of trash along our adopted part of the highway. For anyone wanting to help, there is no experience necessary, and gloves, bags and safety vests are always provided. Contact Sue Brindle for more information by calling 717-764-6758.

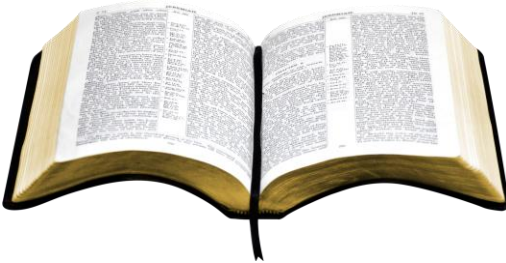
Your dedication and passion for impacting peoples' lives is remarkable. The Margaret E. Moul Home is grateful to have Saint Paul Lutheran Church's Women of the Word not only as a financial supporter, but truly invested in the mission and future of the Margaret E. Moul Home. Your generous gift of \$250 given on May 3, 2021, will help offset the cost of a new water pump for the Home. Thank you! The Staff of Margaret E. Moul Home

Thank you for your help and continued support of Our Daily Bread with your donation of \$1,900 received on April 30, 2021. We greatly appreciate your generosity, as together we continue to help those in need. Many thanks! The Soup Kitchen Staff

Many thanks to the Pastors and congregation for their prayers, visits, calls, cards, and food. It's been a difficult time for the both of us. My heart problem seems to be doing okay. The problem for Roxana will be ongoing and difficult for both of us. We're blessed to be a part of this church family. Bill & Roxana Enterline

ADDITIONAL SUMMER ADULT STUDIES

What a blessing to have such rich offerings throughout the summer for the deepening of faith and the increase of Christian Fellowship. Thanks to Connie, Lori, Joyce and Sue for leading the enriching *Jesus in Me* Bible Study. Thanks to our Christian Ed ministry for the four adult classes that continue throughout the summer on Sunday morning as part of our Faith Builders 9:30 Sunday time.



Two additional opportunities are coming up:
VBS Adult Bible Study will have four nights of meetings, July 19-22 from 6:30-

8:00 pm, for the lively trip through the Holy Land with the DVD series *Drive Through History: Holy Land* offered in the large Conference Room and snacks will be provided. No class Sunday night.

Also, sign up for the two-part part watching of the inspirational movie ***Mountain Top***, with added Bible Study, held at the Pastor's home, Tuesday, August 24 and 31 from 6:30-8:00 pm. We'll have an ice cream dessert to top it off!

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