

SAINT PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH PARISH MESSENGER

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Saint Paul Lutheran Church
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NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: Articles for the September newsletter need to be in the church office by **September 15, 2021.**

Pastors' Letter for August 2021

⁶Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, ⁷rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

Pastor Sally and I have a modest yard with a few flower beds around our house. Each year we try to plant flowers and a few tomato plants, not more than we can handle but enough to make the place look good. The soil at our place naturally has a high clay content which makes placing new plants in the ground, in areas where the soil has not been amended to loosen the clay, quite difficult. Recently I dug up one area that was particularly full of clay, it was quite a chore in the hot weather, but I managed and hopefully it will now house plants more readily.

In our life together in the church some things come more easily than others. Writing the prayers comes more easily than writing a sermon, setting up the sound system for first service, while no piece of cake, comes more easily than setting up for the outdoor sound system. Our congregation is greatly blessed by having a great core of believers who engage in so many different ministries that benefit not only the congregation but also the community and the world.

Like Saint Paul long before us we see the hand of our Lord and Savior working in so many ways in the life of the church and continue to pray that we will grow even further in faith and understanding and commitment to Him and to His church. As you go about your day pray for this congregation, that we may be an even brighter beacon of light in a troubled world, that our pre-school and Sunday school programs will grow, that visitors will continue their steady flow into our church and absent members will return. Keeping the church working well is a blessed ministry may we all grow in it together.

Blessings,

Pastor Paul

SPECIAL APPEAL FOR AUGUST: Center for Young Children

Exciting things are happening at our Center for Young Children (CYC) which meets 5 days a week from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm for 4-year olds and 3 days a week from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm for 3-year olds. Malinda Grube is our Director and we are building a very caring and experienced staff, including Eva Phillips as assistant to the 3s, Roxanne Donnan as teacher of the 4s and Sherry Smith as her assistant. We are planning a very enriching program which is supplemented by regular visits from the pastors, field trips and other events.

The CYC, although a long-standing program here at Saint Paul, is starting off fresh and with added hours and staff and so we are especially in need of congregational support. Please include us in your prayers and contribute as you are able to help us in meeting the needs of families in our community who are looking for a good solid Christ centered pre-school program.

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.



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| August 1 | Clair Worley Jr.
70 South Alwine Ave., York, PA 17408 |
| August 3 | Ruth Abel
1700 Normandie Dr. #312, York, PA 17408 |
| August 6 | John Runk
1478 Route 116, Spring Grove, PA 17362 |
| August 8 | Dolores Hoover
Spring Village Apt. 327 N. Pine Ave. #16C
Spring Grove, PA 17362 |
| August 13 | Sheila Brenneman
1850 Baker Rd. York, PA 17408 |
| August 22 | Jack L. Hall.
3843 Old Joseph Rd., York, PA 17408 |
| August 28 | Theodore Krebs
2864 Golden Villas Dr., York, PA 17408 |

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 June 30, 2021

	Current	Bene.	Bldg Maint.	Total	Capital Fund
2021 YTD Receipts	\$167,520	\$16,456	\$40,408	\$224,384	\$74,632
Disbursements	\$165,613	\$16,400	\$48,670	\$230,683	\$34,033
2021 Change in Fund Balance	\$1,907	\$56	\$(8,262)	\$(6,299)	\$40,599
Prior Year's Bal.	\$27,022	\$3,188	\$902	\$31,112	\$421,875
Accumulated Fund Balance	\$28,929	\$3,244	\$(7,360)	\$24,813	\$462,474
Fund Balance Last Month	\$33,165	\$4,079	\$9,282	\$46,526	\$458,517
This Month's Change	\$(4,236)	\$(835)	\$16,642	\$(27,713)	\$3,957

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

Thank you all for your ongoing support of both the regular budget and for the added tithes to the renovation project. New contributors are always welcome. We have approximately 2 years to go in our pledges and because the project went slightly over anticipated expenses additional donations would be a blessing.

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The Church Council meeting was held in the Parlor at 7pm on June 15, 2021.

Council Members in attendance: Sue Dickensheets, Joe Jones, Rodney Smyser, Monica Hostetler, Brenda McCleary, Donna

Huckenberry, Donna Rinehart, Marty Strine, Mike Barndt, Roxanne Donnan, Pastor Paul and Pastor Sally

Excused: Dave Grube and Jessica Markle

OPENING DEVOTIONS: Led by Pastor Paul

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA: Motion to adopt the agenda as amended made by Mike Barndt and 2nd by Joe Jones.

MINUTES OF LAST COUNCIL MEETING: Motion to accept the minutes made by Mike Barndt and 2nd by Joe Jones.

PASTORS' REPORT: Presented by Pastor Sally. The idea of a Leadership Covenant was shared with council. Plans made to review the covenant at future meetings.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

MINISTRY OF RESOURCES – Prayer offered by Marty Strine.

FINANCE – Presented by Rodney Smyser, no meeting since last month. Monthly Income and Expense report reviewed. Next meeting August 2, 2021

MUTUAL MINISTRY – Presented by Pastor Sally. No candidates at this time for the CYC positions. Next meeting June 21 & 23, 2021

PROPERTY – Presented by Marty Strine, no meeting since last month. Members are going to trim again this weekend. Next meeting TBD

MINISTRY OF GROWTH – Prayer offered by Joe Jones.

FELLOWSHIP – Presented by Monica Hostetler, no meeting since last month. Next meeting October 7, 2021

YOUTH AND FAMILY LIFE – Presented by Monica Hostetler.

Committee is planning another Bonfire the last Friday in July, and an outdoor movie night in September. Next meeting June 14, 2021

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION – Present by Pastor Paul. VBS plans have been made and are ready for enrollment. Next meeting June 14, 2021

MINISTRY OF SERVICE – Prayer offered by Sue Dickensheets.

STEWARDSHIP – Presented by Joe Jones, no meeting since last month. Next meeting August 2, 2021

OUTREACH – Presented by Pastor Paul. Plans being made to participate in the packaging of food next fall to feed the hungry. Additional mugs have been ordered to give out to our visitors. Next meeting June 17, 2021.

SOCIAL MINISTRY – Presented by Donna Rinehart. The ministry continues to send cards to the shut-ins with hopes to meet

members in person soon. Prayer shawls are available for anyone who needs them. Met today June 15, 2021.

MINISTRY OF PRAISE – Prayer offered by Roxanne Donnan.

WORSHIP & MUSIC– Presented by Roxanne Donnan, next meeting scheduled tomorrow. Pastor Paul is pursuing ways to improve our sound system. Next meeting June 16, 2021.

OLD BUSINESS:

God Stories-

Continue weekly prayer, email bulletins and mail bulletins.

Protocol Review

Outdoor Worship has resumed for 2nd service, weather permitting.

Technology Task Force

Saint James Lutheran Church- deferred to Stewardship Committee.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mike Bradly the LCMC Service Coordinator to visit. His visit will be hosted by New Hope Faith Community in Hanover, PA., on August 21, 2021, from 9-11am

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 Mike Barndt and approved by Church Council.

Special Requests:

Thursday, November 25 by Al Dickensheets

Saturday, August 7th by Elizabeth Stabley

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE:

Death: Nancy Zerby 5/11/21

Funerals: Nancy Zerby 5/14/21

Transfer in: Terry & Marilyn Cox (Zion Lutheran Church, Glen Rock) June 27, 2021



Many thanks to all those who helped and donated to the Vacation Bible School. Your prayers, time, and dedication to spreading God's Word are a blessing to Saint Paul. We had over 30 kids plus many helpers and teachers who enjoyed learning about the parables of Jesus!



OUR DAILY BREAD: Our dessert for August 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!

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 fill in a Music Survey, at the back of the newsletter.

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.



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 25. 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.

WORSHIP IN August

- August 1 Tenth Sunday after Pentecost**
First Lesson: Exodus 16:2-15
Second Lesson: Ephesians 4:1-16
Gospel: John 6:22-35
- August 8 Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**
First Lesson: 1 Kings 19:1-8
Second Lesson: Ephesians 4:17-5:2
Gospel: John 6:22-35
- August 15 Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**
First Lesson: Joshua 24:1-2a,14-18
Second Lesson: Ephesians 5:6-21
Gospel: John 6:51-59
- August 22 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost**
First Lesson: Isaiah 29:11-19
Second Lesson: Ephesians 5:22-33
Gospel: Mark 7:1-13
- August 29 Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost**
First Lesson: Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-9
Second Lesson: Ephesians: 6:10-20
Gospel: Mark7:14-23



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)

August 1 Georgianne Eyster & Paul Emig
August 8 Randy & Donna Barshinger
August 15 Roxanne Donnan / Pat & Butch Maul
August 22 Mr. & Mrs. Donald Fake / Ken Hoffman
August 29 Jenny Walter

BULLETIN (\$20/wk.)

August 1 Don & Donna Reeve
August 8 Richard & Mary Keller
August 15 Bernice Bahn
August 22 Brenda Shorts & family
August 29 Carl Smyser

BREAD & WINE (\$10/wk.)

August 1 Ted & Norma Krebs
August 8 Richard & Mary Keller
August 15 Carl Smyser
August 22 Rodney & Joyce Smyser
August 29 Carl Smyser

MAILING (\$10/wk.)

August 1 Gary & Dot Mann
August 8 Charlotte Hoffman & family
August 15 Duane & Libby Hax
August 22 Richard & Mary Keller
August 29 Carl Smyser

PARISH MESSENGER (\$60/month)
Carl Smyser

SANCTUARY LAMP (\$15/month)
Al Dickensheets

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.

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.

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.

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!



Friends in Christ is a group for widows, widowers, and anyone who wants to join us for a time of fellowship.

After over a year off from our monthly outings we are now back in business!

Here's what we have on the docket for this Fall:

Wednesday September 1 Colonial Complex in York – the cost is \$13 a person and we need a sign-up by August 15. There will be an added cost for lunch together afterwards. We'll meet at 10:15 at church and be back by 2:00.

Wednesday October 6 The Hershey Museum – the cost is \$13.50 a person and we need a sign up by September 12. There will be an added cost for lunch together afterwards. We'll meet at the church at 9 am and return by 3 pm.

Wednesday November 3 Bird N Hand Dinner Theatre – the cost is \$53.50 and is all inclusive (dinner, tip and play) We'll meet at church at 10:20 and return by 5:00. Sign up and money due by September 26. We have 20 tickets reserved so sign up soon!

Sunday December 12 we'll go out for lunch together – more details to come.

Welcome New Members!

Susan Fox, 4340 Wolf's Church Road, York, PA 17408

Greg & Lyn Greco, 6619 Woodland Dr., Spring Grove, PA 17362

Terry & Marilyn Cox, 55 Iron Springs Rd., Fairfield, PA 17320

Brent Keech, 1167 Peepytown Rd., East Berlin, PA 17316

We will also welcome additional new members in August. If you are interested in joining the church, please speak with Pastor Paul or Pastor Sally.

Welcome through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Aila Grace Turnbaugh - daughter of Rocky and Sara, and sister to Kaia and Asher.

Amaris Carol Frey - daughter of Catrina Frey, granddaughter of Charles & Carol Frey & great-granddaughter of Jackie Witman.

We pray for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon them.



**BACK TO SCHOOL
BACKPACK BLESSING
SUNDAY, AUGUST 15 at both services**

School age boys and girls should bring their backpack to church, and they will receive a tag for their packs and a blessing for the start of the school year.

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. Added Bonus Andy Stump will lead the music.

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.



Pastor Sally and Scholarship Committee Members: Thank you guys so much for the scholarship money that you gave me. It was truly a blessing and a huge factor in not only eliminating some of the financial anxiety that comes with school, but also provides even more incentive to accomplish my academic goals. Joe Jones Jr.

Pastor Sally and Scholarship Committee Members: Thank you so much for the generous scholarship amount that you gave me! I really appreciate your support! It will definitely help me as I make my way through school.
Erica Jones

The Asaph Teaching Ministry Board of Directors would like to thank you for your generous contribution to Andy Stump's ministry located in Pas-bwa-dom, Haiti. Andy continues to present Jesus Christ in the rural Haitian community one lesson at a time.



MUSIC SURVEY

Do you like to sing? Would you like to ring? How about joining one of our church music ensembles?

After a very lengthy COVID break, we are hoping to resume a regular choir schedule in the Fall, with rehearsals beginning after Labor Day. To assist in our preparations, we would like to know how many people are interested in participating in the music groups. There are a few changes from the pre-COVID schedule; read on for more details.

Interested in a traditional part-singing choral ensemble? Our CHOIR will rehearse on Thursday evenings from 7:15 to 8:15. In the past, this group has sung 3 Sundays per month: twice at the early service, once at late. This schedule may be modified to a 2-Sunday-per-month format, depending on the wishes of the participants. New members are welcome on all voice parts, but we could especially use more men.

HANDBELL ENSEMBLE will rehearse on THURSDAY evenings from 6:30 to 7:15. In the past, this group played for both services on one Sunday per month. We anticipate a similar schedule in the Fall. New members as well as experienced ringers are welcome. We would like to offer a month-long "Handbell Basics" course for the new participants. If you are interested in playing handbells this year and have not played previously, now is the time to join, as the "Handbell Basics" course will be offered only once per year.

We are looking for singers to assist with SECOND SERVICE MUSIC. In the past, these singers performed either as soloists or in small groups, helping to lead congregational singing and providing music during communion. Rehearsals are held as needed, usually before or after the late service on Sundays.

If you wish to participate, please complete the form below and return to the church office by Aug. 1, or email musicdirector@saintpaultrinity.org by Aug. 1. **(We are asking that you respond even if you have participated in these groups in the past.)**

At this writing, there were some slots left in the summer special music schedule. If you are interested in providing special music this summer, please return your form ASAP (or contact Carol Moscony at musicdirector@saintpaultrinity.org).

Yes! I want to participate in the music program! I am interested in:

- Choir
- Second Service Music
- Handbell Ensemble
- Summer Special Music

Name _____

Contact (email or phone)

_____ I am interested in participating in _____, but Thursday rehearsal time will not suit.

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