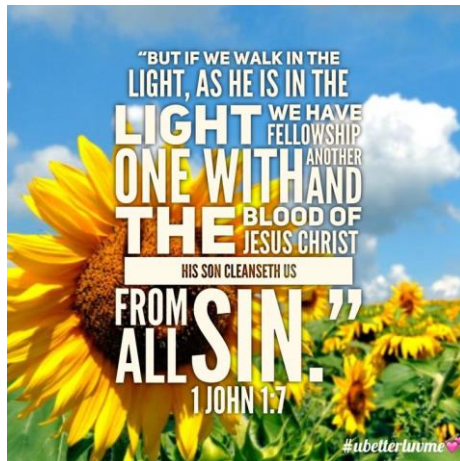


SAINT PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH PARISH MESSENGER

September 2021

In the name of Jesus Christ,
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NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: Articles for the October newsletter need to be in the church office by **September 15, 2021.**

Pastors' Letter for September 2021

Jesus said, "If you ask anything of the Father in my name, he will give it to you." John 16:23

Wow! What an amazing promise from our amazing God! Now when we hear this promise, we might think about all our prayer requests that we've had throughout our lifetimes and perhaps wonder about those things that maybe didn't work out the way we had hoped. Of course, we have to remember that when we ask, we are to ask in Jesus' name, which also means, according to his will. So, when we don't get exactly what we want we have to consider that maybe God had a different plan.

These last few months we have been very fortunate that many of the things we have been praying about to our heavenly Father have been given to us so graciously. We are thrilled that God has seen fit to fill our CYC pre-school with so many children. We ask that you continue to pray that we move into this new schedule with all these children in our building, safely and smoothly.

God has also provided us with a great office staff: Jean Strine really has the office running smoothly and she is being assisted by volunteers: Joyce Hall and Brenda McCleary who are both offering their expertise to compliment Jean and alleviate some of the more tedious aspects of the job.

Each Sunday we also have had many prayers answered as we have been able to meet together to hear God's word and receive his Holy sacraments and to see our congregation grow numerically and spiritually.

Fellowship events have also been embraced warmly by the congregation as we have enjoyed our backyard campfires.

I could go on and on, but you can get the point – God is good, all the time and we are rejoicing that he has given us this great community of faith in which we can worship and serve together. Thanks be to God for all his gifts!

SPECIAL APPEAL FOR September ASAPH Teaching Ministry

This year Andy will mark twenty-eight years of mission work in Haiti. Since 2012, ASAPH Teaching Ministry has been growing. His work includes leading a brass band, a soccer academy, a Bible academy, Asaph Radio ministry and Asaph tuition assistance. After spending an extended time in York County due to Covid travel restrictions, Andy is now back in Haiti, and we thank God for his safe travels. We ask you all for continued prayers for his health and his ministry. Due to funding shortages from some of his other sponsors, we have this additional opportunity to support his worthy ministry. Please give generously as you are able.

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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| Sept 1 | Marvin Barnhart
5203 Lehman Rd, Spring Grove, PA 17362 |
| Sept. 1 | Bradley Little
1802 Folkemer Circle, Rm #101, York, Pa 17404 |
| Sept. 2 | Donald Reeve
4463 Walters Hatchery Rd., Spring Grove, PA 17362 |
| Sept. 5 | Cindy Christensen
4962 Lehman Rd, Spring Grove, PA 17362 |
| Sept. 6 | Ann Shultz
Village at Sprengle Drive, 2001 Gross Court
York, Pa 17404 |
| Sept. 9 | Bernice Beal.
1801 Folkemer Cr., York, PA 17404 |
| Sept. 10 | Joyce McCoury
2222 Stoney Point Road, East Berlin, PA 17316 |

Sept. 11 Carl Smyser
486 Trinity Rd. York, Pa 17408

Sept. 14 Elaine Smyser
1980 Barley Rd., York, PA 17408-4746

Sept, 15 Ronald Bailey
3253 Honey Run Drive, York, Pa 17408

Sept. 15 Frances Barnhart,
5203 Lehman Rd., Spring Grove, PA 17362

Sept. 15 Charlotte Hoffman
1802 Folkemer Circle, Apt. 118, York, PA 17404

Sept. 16 Rita Shotzberger
1745 Normandie Drive, York, PA 17408-9013

Sept. 17 Joyce Smyser
2790 East Berlin Road, York, PA 17408

Sept. 19 Bettie Lovejoy
3150 Lark Drive, York, PA 17404

Sept. 21 Esther Jacobs
104 KBS Rd., York, PA 17408

Sept. 21 Mary Kopp
750 Kelly Dr. York, PA 17404

Sept. 22 Larry Brenneman
1850 Baker Rd., York, PA 17408

Sept. 23 Clayton Myers
2684 Seven Valleys Rd. Seven Valleys, PA 17360

Sept. 26 John Jacobs
104 KBS Rd., York, PA 17408

Sept. 27 Grace Leppo
2101 Hershey Court, York, Pa 17404

- Sept. 27 Regina Springer
4271 Marlborough Rd. Dover, PA 17315
- Sept. 28 David Smyser
396 Old Hanover Rd., Spring Grove, PA 17362
- Sept. 29 Terry Cox
55 Iron Springs Rd, Fairfield, PA 17320

TREASURER'S REPORT
Recap of Treasurer's Report as of July 31, 2021

	Current	Bene.	Bldg Maint.	Total	Capital Fund
2021 YTD Receipts	\$192,868	\$18,582	\$44,057	\$255,507	\$80,281
Disbursements	\$195,425	\$18,400	\$51,176	\$265,001	\$34,033
2021 Change in Fund Balance	\$(2,557)	\$182	\$(7,119)	\$(9,494)	\$46,248
Prior Year's Bal.	\$27,022	\$3,188	\$902	\$31,112	\$421,875
Accumulated Fund Balance	\$24,465	\$3,370	\$(6,217)	\$21,618	\$468,123
Fund Balance Last Month	\$28,929	\$3,244	\$(7,360)	\$24,813	\$462,474
This Month's Change	\$(4,464)	\$126	\$1,143	\$(3,195)	\$5,649

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.

CHURCH COUNCIL

Members of Church Council did not meet in July. Minutes from the August 12th meeting will be included in the October Parish Messenger.

OUR DAILY BREAD: Our dessert for September is Sugar Cakes. Use your favorite recipe and place (2) 2" cookies in each bag. We need 360 bags by **9 am on Friday, September 17th**. If you are able to make some, please sign the sheet in the narthex or contact Jean Strine. Thanks!

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 talk and Power Point, of their triumphs, faith and travails of this famous unit as Pastor Paul leads you through their story. To start us off this year we do a good pickup breakfast, free will offering accepted for those who wish to donate a few bucks.

WORSHIP IN SEPTEMBER

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| Sept. 5 | Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
First Lesson: Isaiah 35:4-7a
Second Lesson: James 2:1-10,14-18
Gospel: Mark 7:(24-30) 31-37 |
| Sept. 12 | Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
First Lesson: Isaiah 50:4-10
Second Lesson: James 3:1-12
Gospel: Mark 9:14-29 |
| Sept. 19 | Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
First Lesson: Jeremiah 11:18-20
Second Lesson: James 3:13 - 4:10
Gospel: Mark 9:30-37 |
| Sept. 26 | Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
First Lesson: Num. 11:4-6,10-16,24-29
Second Lesson: James 5(1-12)13-20
Gospel: Mark 9:38-50 |



BLANKET WORKSHOP: Thanks for all the wonderful material and sheet donations! If you would like to help, come to the quilting room at Saint Paul on the second Tuesday morning of the month at 9:00 am. We use 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)

Sept. 5 Denny & Deb Shue / Jack & Joyce Hall
Sept. 12 Donald Nace & Family / Barb Sloat
Sept. 19 Charlotte Hoffman /Barb Sloat/ Keith Bergey
Sept. 26 Jackie Meyer / OPEN

BULLETIN (\$20/wk.)

Sept. 5 Richard & Mary Keller
Sept. 12 Margaret Will
Sept. 19 Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Leppo
Sept. 26 Richard & Mary Keller

BREAD & WINE (\$10/wk.)

Sept. 5 Mike & Marguerite Keller
Sept. 12 OPEN
Sept. 19 Denny & Deb Shue
Sept. 26 John & Esther Jacobs

MAILING (\$10/wk.)

Sept. 5 Carl & Sandy Bender
Sept. 12 Carl & Sandy Bender
Sept. 19 Carl & Sandy Bender
Sept. 26 Roy & Lisa Gentzler

PARISH MESSENGER (\$60/month)

Margaret Will / OPEN

SANCTUARY LAMP (\$15/month)

Sandra Albright

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 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. The class meets in the parlor.

JOIN US FOR S'MORE LEARNING ABOUT JESUS



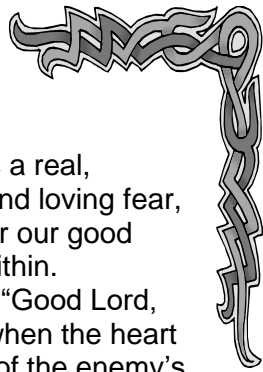
We have a great Faith Building Kick Off designed for fun and learning!

September 12 is the start of our NEW fall experience!
Come at 9:30 am and bring a grandparent if you can...

We will have relay races, engaging music, and a chance to make your own church bag!

Our whole program for the younger classes will be based on a VBS type rotation where the children will experience a craft center, a story center, and a music center each week.

Come and check it out and pass the word to friends and neighbors.



Prayer Corner

Julian of Norwich (1332-1420)

With prayer goes gratitude. Thanksgiving is a real, interior, knowledge. With great reverence and loving fear, it turns us with all our powers to do whatever our good Lord indicates. It brings joy and gratitude within. Sometimes its very abundance gives voice, "Good Lord, thank you and bless you!" And sometimes when the heart is dry and unfeeling—or it may be because of the enemy's tempting—then reason and grace drive us to cry aloud to our Lord, recalling his blessed passion and great goodness. And the strength of our Lord's Word comes to the soul, and fires the heart, and leads it by grace into its real business, enabling it to pray happily and to enjoy our Lord in truth. Thanksgiving is a blessed thing in his sight. *"For All the Saints"*, Vol. 11, pg. 116

Please lift up Luke and Ruth in the Philippines for their ministry. Praise God, Ruth finally has help in the home. She can focus on regular translation work on Sunday and Tuesday. Ask for Holy Spirit inspiration.

Ask God to guide Andy Stump in safe travels as he returns to his ministry in Haiti. May the Lord help Andy continue to spread the gospel.



SECOND SERVICE WORSHIP TIME AND LOCATION TO CHANGE IN SEPTEMBER

We are making a slight move from 10:30 am to **10:45 am** starting on September 5. Also on this date, we will begin meeting each week in the sanctuary. Thanks to all those who have made outdoor worship possible this summer!



Bible Study for September and October The Parables of Jesus

Join us for a fascinating six week look at the Parables of Jesus as we experience the teaching of six different engaging scholars, see helpful clips from the Holy Land and see how these great stories of our Lord are just as relevant for our lives today as they have always been. The Pastors will lead us through the study questions which appear in booklets you can take home.

Join us live at the Church on **Tuesdays at 10AM** - September 14, 21, 28; October 5, 12, 19, 26, or on **Wednesdays at 7 PM** - September 15, 22, 29; October 6, 13, 20, 27.

Welcome New Members!

Richard & Joyce McCoury
2222 Stoney Point Rd., East Berlin, PA 17316

Larry & Rebecca (Becci) Stair
245 W. Jackson St., Spring Grove, PA 17362

Larry & Pearl Kaetzel
86 Dolomite Drive, York, PA 17408-6356

If you are interested in joining the church, please speak with Pastor Paul or Pastor Sally.



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. 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.



Thank you for your recent gift of \$873 to Lutheran World Relief! When you love your neighbors with your generous gifts, you change lives in amazing ways. Thank you again and God Bless you!

Lutheran World Relief

Thank you for the continued support from Women of the Word with your donation of \$200 received on June 26, 2021. We greatly appreciate your generosity, as together we continue to help those in need in York County.

Our Daily Bread Staff

We want to thank everyone for the cards, prayers, and words of support during Jeffrey's recent hospital stay and Rod's recent procedure. It was very comforting to know how much support we receive from our church family and friends. May God bless you all!

Barb & Rod Sloat and Jeffrey Stover

Dear Pastor Paul, Pastor Sally and Members of Saint Paul – We want to thank you for the kind thoughts and messages sent to us on the passing of our mother. Throughout the 12 years she was at SpiritTrust Lutheran, you were always there for her by your visits, phone calls and your cards. Her church family was always on her mind. Thank you to all who made our mother's life special.

The Treva Albright Family

A huge thank you to all participants in the Summer Bible study, *Jesus In Me*, and to my other facilitators: Lori Smyser, Joyce Hall and Sue Dickensheets. What a special blessing it was to sit outside studying the word of God and experiencing the Holy Spirit as a constant companion with sisters and brothers in Christ. Let us be committed to read, study, apply, and obey our Bible and give gratitude for all the Holy Spirit has taught, shown, and revealed to us one puzzle piece at a time! A summer gathering to remember!

Connie Dunklebarger

In July, we had a very successful Vacation Bible School. Our theme was "Jesus . . . Tell me a story." We had more than 30 children registered with a daily attendance average of 27. We were pleased to have that many children attend this year, during our planning in the months leading up to VBS, we really were not sure what the response would be. In addition to the students, we had a wonderful, devoted staff as well. I want to take this time to thank each of the 28 volunteers who willingly gave of their time and talents to help make our VBS a success. Without each of these people, we would not have been able to offer such a wonderful experience for our children. Each day the children were filled with enthusiasm and much joy in learning about Jesus and the stories He told. Thanks to the parents and families for bringing their children to such a positive learning event! God's blessings to all of you!

Sandy Albright



WOMEN OF THE WORD

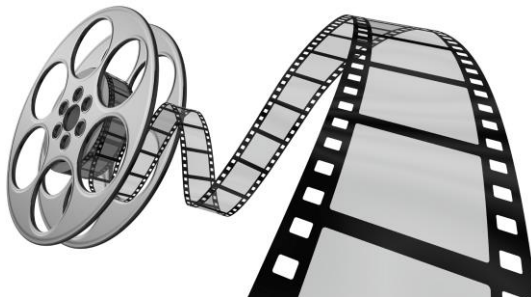
Women of the Word is starting a new Bible study on Wednesday, September 15th at 1:00 pm. Our new study is "*Adventurous Prayer*". Prayer. We know we should all do it more often, take it more seriously, and give it more time. Prayer in our path to the adventure of building a relationship with our Savior. Some of the study titles we will share are "*Boldly Go*", "*Teach Us to Pray*", "*Prayer Closets*", "*Two-Way Conversations*", "*Journaling Prayers*". Barb Sloat will lead our study "*Call to Me*". We hope you can join with us. See you there!

Movie Night Fellowship

Friday, September 10

6:30 PM

Join us for a good time as we enjoy pizza, popcorn, and the original *Space Jam* movie with Michael Jordan hopefully outside, but if not inside. Please let us know if you plan to come and please feel free to invite a friend. Sign up either through the website or the sign-up list in the new library area. No cost.





OUR LORD'S HELPERS

We are so blessed each Sunday morning to have so many people step forward to assist with the various tasks that need to be accomplished in our worship life together. Joyce Hall has been coordinating most of these jobs for quite a while now and she has come up with a great system for getting on-line sign ups. She and Jean Strine are now offering one more way to get involved. On Sunday mornings, an iPad is available for you to take a peek at the sign-up list and add your name. Joyce and/or Jean will be glad to help you. If you would like to be trained in any of the jobs (since some duties have changed/are changing because of Covid), training is always available. What a joy it is to serve the Lord together! Please prayerfully consider how you can be a part of Our Lord's Helpers!



Sympathy is extended to the families of Donald W. Nace and Treva Albright. We are praying for the comfort of the Holy Spirit and give thanks for the hope of the resurrection through Christ our Lord.

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Education Hour: 9:30 am

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