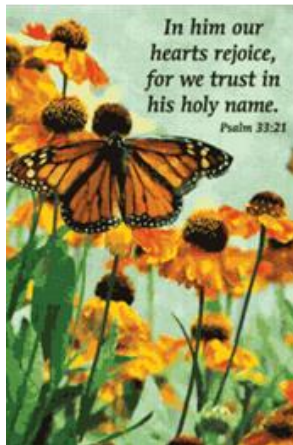


# SAINT PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH PARISH MESSENGER

**August 2022**

In the name of Jesus Christ,  
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is committed to praising,  
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### **COUNCIL MEMBERS**

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	Erica Jones	(24)
	Art Smith	(24)
	Lawrence Smyser	(24)

Assist. Treasurers: Carl Smyser, Lawrence Smyser

Cemetery Caretaker: Terry Emig

Cemetery Board: Keith Bergey, Mike Eisenhart, Ira Keech, Dave Crowell



**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:** Articles for the September newsletter need to be in the church office by **August 15, 2022.**

## **Pastor's Letter for August 2022**

“By my God I can leap over a wall.” Psalm 18:29

A couple of weeks ago I tried to show one of my granddaughters how to jump rope. I used to be good at it, well, that was a few years ago. I'm definitely not going to try to leap over a wall!!

But I think in the broader understanding of this verse from Psalm 18, I have seen a lot of wall jumping at Saint Paul. Over and over again we have had things put before us that seemed huge, but together we have been able to tackle both building and ministry goals with gusto. Thanks for your continued support of the financial end of things around here. We keep making progress with paying down our loan for the office wing and gathering area. And now people are responding to the appeal for the nave. Thanks so much, we really do have a congregation committed to keeping our facilities in tip top shape.

Thanks also for your support of things like Harvest of Hope and Tunnels to Towers and Lutheran World Relief. We have our finger in lots of different pots so to speak and it is a blessing to know that our members are passionate about sharing the love of Christ in word and deed.

Each time a need arises we seem to rally, and it is a good feeling to know that we can count on each other to offer prayer and support when we have burdens that need attended to.

Our next “wall to jump” is our big Feed the Hunger project in September. We also want to get a date on the calendar to dedicate all our newly remodeled areas making sure that we always give thanks to God, because it is only through him, through the power of his Holy Spirit that we are able to do the work that he has set before us. So, to God be the glory!

Pastor Sally

## **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. We are planning a very enriching program which is supplemented by regular visits from the pastors, field trips and other events. 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 15<sup>th</sup> of the month before your birthday.



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| August 1  | Clair Worley Jr.<br>70 South Alwine Ave., York, PA 17408                              |
| August 3  | Ruth Ann Abel<br>1700 Normandie Dr. #312, York, PA 17408                              |
| August 6  | John Runk<br>1478 Route 116, Spring Grove, PA 17362                                   |
| August 8  | Dolores Hoover<br>Spring Village Apt. 327 N. Pine Ave. #16C<br>Spring Grove, PA 17362 |
| August 12 | Donna K. Keefer<br>3616 Equestrian Drive, Dover, PA 17315                             |
| August 13 | Sheila Brenneman<br>1850 Baker Rd. York, PA 17408                                     |
| August 13 | Sandy Bender<br>2672 Chadbourne Drive York, PA 17404                                  |
| August 19 | Carol M. Frey<br>204 Melinda Drive, York, PA 17408                                    |
| August 22 | Jack L. Hall.<br>3843 Old Joseph Rd., York, PA 17408                                  |
| August 28 | Theodore Krebs<br>2864 Golden Villas Dr., York, PA 17408                              |
| August 29 | Donald L. Nace<br>2760 Oakland Rd. Dover, PA 1731                                     |

## TREASURER'S REPORT

### Recap of Treasurer's Report as of June 30, 2022

	Current	Bene.	Bldg. Maint.	Total	Capital Fund
<b>2022 YTD Receipts</b>	\$199,851	0.\$15,846	\$25,559	\$241,256	\$79,198
<b>Disbursements</b>	\$209,284	\$29,500	\$29,732	\$268,516	
<b>2022 Change in Fund Balance</b>	\$(9,433)	\$(13,654)	\$(4,173)	\$(27,260)	
<b>Prior Year's Balance</b>	\$44,900	\$29,940	\$(2,209)	\$72,631	
<b>Accumulated Fund Balance</b>	\$35,467	\$16,286	\$(6,382)	\$45,371	
<b>Fund Balance Last Month</b>	\$38,137	\$19,113	\$(3,119)	\$54,131	
<b>This Month's Change</b>	\$(2,670)	\$(2,827)	\$(3,263)	\$(87,760)	

## COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Council members in attendance: Al Dickensheets, Brenda McCleary, Mike Brandt, Donna Huckenberry, Donna Rinehart, Erica Jones, Lawrence Smyser, Pastor Paul, Pastor Sally.

**Opening Devotions:** Led by Pastor Paul

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:** Add update on bus trip the Ark Encounter. A motion made by Lawrence Smyser and seconded by Mike Brandt to adopt the agenda as amended, passed.

**MINUTES OF LAST COUNCIL MEETING:** Accepted, motion made by Mike Brandt and seconded by Donna Huckenberry.

**PASTOR'S REPORT:** Presented by Pastor Sally. Discussed possibility of putting "We are a Bible believing church: on the sign, out front to clarify our focus to the community.

Concern about lay responsibilities not being signed up for ahead of each Sunday. Pastor Sally shared a short explanation of Our Lord's Helpers. It is a real concern and Council members are asked to pray about it. The suggestion was made to serve for an entire month. Same person could do usher, acolyte and lay reader. At next meeting, Council members will be asked to take responsibility for a month.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**MINISTRY OF RESOURCES-** Lawrence Smyser offered prayer.

FINANCE – Lawrence Smyser presented the finance report. Prices of heating and electricity are way up. May be a tough year with economy as it is going. Motion to accept report made by Lawrence and seconded by Mike Barndt passed.

MUTUAL MINISTRY – No meeting.

PROPERTY – No meeting but need to meet in August. Parking lot will be sealed this month, not paved as previously announced.

**MINISTRY OF GROWTH** – Donna Rinehart offered prayer.

FELLOWSHIP – Fellowship is doing coffee hour and campfires.

YOUTH AND FAMILY – Report given by Erica Jones. Harper's Ferry trip canceled. June 24 is next Campfire.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION – Written report. Al Dickensheets offered Gideon Bibles for VBS.

**MINISTRY OF SERVICE** – Al Dickensheets offered prayer.

STEWARDSHIP – Lawrence Smyser reminded committees to submit pictures of activities.

OUTREACH – Written report.

SOCIAL MINISTRY – No meeting.

**MINISTRY OF PRAISE** – Pastor Sally offered prayer.

WORSHIP AND MUSIC – Motion to approve \$1500 to purchase new bells and more protective equipment for bells, using Robe Appeal money from Dedicated Accounts, made by Lawrence Smyser, and seconded by Brenda McCleary passed.

Council continued to discuss returning to taking communion at the altar railing. Since "The congregation runs the church," a special congregational meeting could be called to further discuss this question. It was felt this could be divisive, leading to winners vs. losers. Council decided to poll the congregation and put out a survey for three Sundays and ask for input on taking communion at the altar railing.

**OLD BUSINESS** –

Pastor Paul, Ed, and Donna Keffer attended the Annual Atlantic Region NALC Western Mission District Convocation, June 4, 2022, in Glen Rock.

Nave Update – Scheduled to start pew recovering this week.

Saint Paul's Tunnel to Towers Walk very successful raising over \$7000. There are other plans to help veterans to be announced next year by Tunnel to Towers organization.

Bus Trip - There are 43 people signed up for September 19 bus trip to Ark Encounter and Creation Museum. An announcement will be made Sunday as there are 12 more seats available on the bus.

**NEW BUSINESS – None**

**REQUEST FOR USE OF FACILITIES –** Request for Saturday, Oct. 22, 2022, for Wedding and Reception of Eric Hostetler and Tiffany Jones and September 10, 2022, for Isaac Saylor’s birthday party approved after motion of Lawrence Smyser and second of Donna Huckenberry.

**MEMBERSHIP UPDATE –**

Transfer from Saint Paul: Donald and Cheryl Deardorff and family (St. Matthew)

Transfer In: Carole Dormuth – June 26, 2022

New Members: Tiffany Jones–June 26, 2022, John Jones–July 24

Baptism: Callahan Metzger – June 19, 2022, Diane and Lacy Jones – July 24

**CALENDAR UPDATE –**

**Next meeting: August 9, 2022**

Pastor’s vacation\continuing education:

July 3, 2022 (Pastor Steve Shipman)

July 10, 2022 (Pastors Mike and Karen Tamorria)

July 31, 2022 (Pastor Keith Eslinger)

**VBS**

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 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!



## WORSHIP IN AUGUST

- August 7**     **Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**  
First Lesson: Genesis 15:1-6  
Second Lesson: Hebrews 11:1-16  
Gospel: Luke 12:22-34 (35-40)
- August 14**    **Tenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
First Lesson: Jeremiah 23:16-29  
Second Lesson: Hebrews 11:17-31; 12:1-3  
Gospel: Luke 12:49-53(54-56)
- August 21**    **Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**  
First Lesson: Isaiah 66:18-23  
Second Lesson: Hebrews 12:4-24 (25-29)  
Gospel: Luke 13:22-30
- August 28**    **Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**  
First Lesson: Proverbs 25:2-10  
Second Lesson: Hebrews 13:1-17  
Gospel: Luke 14:1-14

**Stewardship picture books will “launch” on August 14.** We will be passing the books from family to family so that you can take a look at the ministries that we offer here at Saint Paul and reflect on your involvement with your time, talent and treasure. If you have questions, check with the book captain or someone from the Stewardship Committee. Thanks for participating in this community building activity as we consider the work God has called us to in Jesus’ name!



## **SPONSORSHIPS**

### **ALTAR FLOWERS (\$40/wk)**

- August 7** Randy & Donna Barshinger  
**August 14** Roxanne Donnan / Pat & Butch Maul  
**August 21** Donald & Diana Fake / Ken Hoffman  
**August 28** Jenny Walter / John & Linda Sherman

### **BULLETIN (\$20/wk.)**

- August 7** Richard & Mary Keller  
**August 14** Brenda McCleary  
**August 21** Brenda Shorts & family  
**August 28** Carl Smyser

### **BREAD & WINE (\$10/wk.)**

- August 7** Richard & Mary Keller  
**August 14** Jack & Joyce Hall  
**August 21** Rodney & Joyce Smyser  
**August 28** Terry & Marilyn Cox

### **MAILING (\$10/wk.)**

- August 7** Charlotte Hoffman & family  
**August 14** Duane & Libby Hax  
**August 21** Richard & Mary Keller  
**August 28** Brenda McCleary

**PARISH MESSENGER** (\$60/month)  
Carl Smyser

### **SANCTUARY LAMP** (\$15/month)

Al & Sue Dickensheets



## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

**(Faith Learning 9:40 on Sunday Morning)**

There is something for every age and interest!

*“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*

### **For Adults:**

**Ordinary Faith** – This class meets in room 13/14 behind the stage in Fellowship Hall. We study interesting, yet ordinary, people in the Bible. These ordinary people are examples of extraordinary faith which are an inspiration to us in our spiritual life. All are welcome to join us each Sunday morning.

**Lutheran Theology Bible Study** – This Class meets in the conference room next to the mailboxes. Explore what it means to be Lutheran through the Lutheran 101 book.

**Concordia study works through various books of the Bible** - This class meets in the quilters room, located behind the elevator, and is working through Romans and then on to Ephesians.

**Four in Forty** - Pastor Paul's class meets in the parlor. They are looking at scripture, church history, contemporary Christian engagement, and challenges in the world.

### **Summer Changes for the Young People:**

**Grades 6-12** will meet in the small conference room for ***Donuts, Devotions and Discussion***. Not too heavy, not too light – not too sweet, not too salty – join us each Sunday this summer!

### **Ages 3-Grade 5**

The Children's Faith Builders has an exciting summer curriculum we are using during the months of July and August. **BIBLE LESSONS BASED ON ICE CREAM!!** We look forward to sharing these stories (and maybe an ice cream treat) with the children.



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

### **Friends in Christ has an exciting Fall planned!**

On Wednesday, **September 14**, we will be going to the **Cumberland County Historical Society** in Carlisle. Admission is **FREE** but of course bring money for lunch afterwards. We will leave the church at 9:00 am and return home by 2:30 pm. Sign up by September 1.

In October, we will be going for a lovely **Tea in Lititz**. Join us on **October 12** for tea and a wander through downtown Lititz (remember there are Wilber Buds there!) More details will be available in the bulletin. Sign up by October 1.

In November, we will be going to **Sight and Sound to see David!** We have a reservation for the **November 9<sup>th</sup> 3:00 pm show**. In order to get the best seats picked out, we are asking for sign-ups and payment to be at the church **by August 21**. The cost will be \$66.00 payable to Saint Paul Lutheran Church. We will carpool and will go for lunch before the show. More details on the lunch will be provided in the bulletin.

# **Welcome New Members!**

John, Diane and Lacy Jones, 255 Drummer Drive, New Oxford, PA 17350

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



The Asaph Teaching Ministry Board of Directors would like to thank you for your generous contribution of \$4,670 to Andy Stump's ministry located in Pas-bwa-dom, Haiti. Andy continues to work full time using education as a tool to present Jesus Christ to people in the local church and community.

Thank you from our heart to yours for your wonderful gift of \$1,914 to Borderless Hope to support our ministry in the Dominican Republic. Our work would not be possible without your help and for that we are sincerely grateful. Blessings, Sharon Bailey Soullier

Thank you, Pastor Paul and Pastor Sally, for praying for me and visiting me in the hospital. I really appreciated your support. Thanks again, Dave Shaffer

Thank you again to our mighty Highway Clean-up crew. In a little over 1 hour, 12 of us gathered 26 bags of trash, a few large tires, and some misc. debris. The weather was good, the help was great and now the Highway is fantastic. Sue Brindle

On Behalf of the Stephen Siller Tunnel to Towers Foundation, I would like to thank you for your recent gift of \$5,000. I wanted to reach out personally to express our gratitude for your generosity. We are honored to have your support. It is because of donors like you that we are able to do such meaningful work. This year, in honor of Memorial Day, the Tunnel to Towers Foundation will provide 20 mortgage free homes to our heroic Gold Star families. To learn more about this and other ways Tunnel to Towers is honoring our nation's heroes, visit [www.t2t.org](http://www.t2t.org).  
Best Regards, Joanne Cook, Manager, Development

Thank you for expressing your love for our persecuted Christian family members through your faithful prayers and your gift of \$1689. Thank you for being such an important part of God's work. Let us joyfully and faithfully continue together – all for His glory! All my love, in Christ Jesus our Lord, Cole Richards VOM  
President



Thank you for your continued support of Our Daily Bread with your donation of \$1,720 received on June 9, 2022. We greatly appreciate your generosity as together we continue to help those in need in York County. Paula Koch, Business Manager

Thank you from World Mission Prayer League for your prayers and gift of \$4,000. Your financial contribution helps advance the King's work as Luke and Ruth Schroeder bring the Gospel to those least likely to have heard, believed, or benefitted from its saving and transforming power. Paul Gossman, Executive Director

Thank you to my St. Paul Lutheran Church family for all of your phone calls, visits, emails, text messages and most importantly your prayers for not only myself but for my family during the time of my brother's illness and passing. Thank you especially to Pastor Sally for her phone calls and prayers during this time. It has been a difficult journey at times but through the outpouring of our love, and more importantly God's love, the agony of his loss is subsiding. But I have many, many memories to bring to mind to sustain me until I will see him again. Thank you again for your support. I want you to know it was very much appreciated. Linda Shipman

Thank you to Ed Dunklebarger and the 6 members he called to help remove my deck and replace it with a new deck. A job well done. Never thought it would be finished in one day. It is lovely and I'm happy with the job. A big heartfelt thanks from me for all your kindness & thoughtfulness. It was greatly appreciated. Oh, not to forget the lovely lunch made and served by one lovely lady and friend, Connie Dunklebarger. It was delicious. Also, the homemade chocolate cake. God bless all and again thank you, Jackie Witman



## PRAYERS FOR MISSIONARIES

Persevere in prayer for the Lord to call a worker to home school Luke and Ruth's five children at their place of ministry in the Philippines. Pray for the continued successful Ministry of Andy Stump in Haiti.



**SUMMER Inspirational Movie at the Pastors' house will be held** August 11 and 18 at 6 pm. We will watch the movie *Sabine*, from Voice of the Martyrs. Please RSVP so we have enough seats and enough ice cream. Look for the sign-up sheet on the table in the library area.



**CENTER FOR YOUNG CHILDREN** is now accepting applications for the 2022-2023 school year for both the 3 and 4-year-old classes. Currently, there is one opening in the 3's classroom.

Children need to be either 3 or 4 by September 1<sup>st</sup>. Registration can be done by emailing Malinda Grube, CYC Director, at: [cycdirector@saintpaultrinity.org](mailto:cycdirector@saintpaultrinity.org), or by calling the church office and requesting a registration form.

The registration fee, first month's tuition and forms are due at the time of enrollment to ensure your child's placement. The 3-year old's meet three days a week from 9:00 am-12:00 noon, and the 4-year old's meet five days a week from 9:00 am-2:00 pm. Tuition for the 3's is \$135/month, and for the 4's it is \$310/month - both with a nonrefundable registration fee of \$50.



**We have a BIG upcoming project:  
FEED THE HUNGER PACKATHON**

**When:** Sat., September 17, 2022

**Where:** Fellowship Hall

**What:** Packing 20,000 Meals  
(Sign up for 1.5 hour time slots)

**Who:** YOU, Family & Friends

(All ages welcome) Come join the fun! Sign up on the sheet on the table in the library area.



**Book club will meet again in September!** Our Book Club read Stranger in the Boat, by Mitch Albom in May. It is about a group of shipwrecked passengers who pull a strange man from the sea. He claims to be "the Lord". It is a thought provoking read, tinged with faith, and deals with many aspects of grief. We noticed that Albom did not necessarily believe the stranger was Jesus. This book and all Book Club books are available in our church library area. Over the summer we will be reading any one of Timothy Keller's books. Many are available in the York County Library system - Prayer, Encounters with Jesus, The Reason for God, and Jesus the King. We invite you to join us on **September 15 at 1:00 pm**. Book Club usually meets on the third Thursday of the month in the church library area.



**Sympathy is extended to the families of Bernice Eash and Brad Little.** We are praying for the comfort of the Holy Spirit and give thanks for the hope of the resurrection through Christ our Lord.



**BACK TO SCHOOL  
BACKPACK BLESSING  
SUNDAY, AUGUST 14 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.



**CHOIR SCHEDULE**

Our choir schedules will resume this Fall and we hope to welcome many people to our music ensembles!

**MEN OF FAITH**

Men of Faith will resume on Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup> as member, Mike Barndt, will meet us at the Benner's Hill section of the Gettysburg National Battlefield Park, which is located just outside of Gettysburg, on the left as you go into Gettysburg, from the Hanover side of PA route #116. You may meet at the church at 8:15 am, if you want to carpool or follow, or meet us at 9:00 am at Benner's Hill. Mike has considerable knowledge of the battlefield and will help us learn about some parts of the battle that are often ignored or underplayed.