

**Mission Statement for St. Paul's: To proclaim God's love
by word and example and to seek Christ in one another.**

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Aug. 13- 20, 2017 Upcoming Events

(Events are at St. Paul's unless specified
otherwise)

- Sat. Aug. 12 DOK 10:00AM
- Sat. Aug. 12 1:00PM Sleeping Bags
- Sun. Aug. 13 Holy Eucharist 9:00AM
with Rev. Lou Divis
- Sun. Aug. 13 Parish Meeting after
Church
- Sun. Aug. 20 Service & Picnic at
Lackawanna state Park 10:30AM



Picnic in August at

Lackawanna State Park with our "sister church" of St. Mark's, Moscow, and St. Peter's and their sister church, Christ Church, Susquehanna on **August 20** at 10:30AM. There will be Eucharist at the picnic. We will not have a service at St. Paul's.

This Week's Lay Ministers:

Altar Guild: Carol Marker & Vera Dunn

Announcements: Lynne Graham

Camera & Broadcast: Al Leigh & Andrew
Wurth

Acolyte: Benjamin Zalewski & Sean Eckerd

Counters: Vickie Calby & Sandy Seeger

Eucharist Minister: Jerry Sock

Lector: Carol Marker

Intercessor: Maggie Sock

Greeter/Usher: John Finlon & Barbara

Undercoffler

Hospitality: Lynne & Karen

Readings for this week

First Reading: Genesis 37:1-4

Psalms: 105, 1-6, 16-22, 45b

Epistle: Romans 10:5-15

Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33

The Vestry will meet to prayerfully discern the qualities we are looking for in a new priest and why. We invite and encourage the parish to join us in this work. We will meet on Wednesday evenings at 5:30 in the Parish Hall. Due to the timing of these meetings, we will provide pizza and salad,

Our next meeting will be on **August 16** immediately following a brief Vestry meeting which **everyone is welcome to attend**. Thereafter we will meet on each Wednesday evening until we have completed our task.

The Vestry values your input. Please come share your insights as we work through the questions that will help us to submit a profile showing a prospective new priest what our parish has to offer and how much more we want to be able to offer in the future. The Diocese will then post this profile to various sites where prospective new priests will look.

The Vestry looks forward to your participation in this important process.

Gifts of Silence: Week Six

Beauty: Silence brings us face to face with beauty: in nature, in one another, beauty in the moment and with the beauty within life itself! Silence, when appreciated, unveils a true banquet for the soul.

The Book of Remembrance is a book in which are written, each year, the names of faithful members of each parish who entered into life eternal and for whom a memorial thank offering has been made. The Book of Remembrance was established in 1938 in loving memory of Ruth May Linderman, treasurer of the Women's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Bethlehem from 1913 until 1938.

The Book of Remembrance is placed on the altar for the noontime service on the last day of the Annual Diocesan Convention, and all the names that are entered for the current year are read aloud.

The income from this Trust Fund is given to the United Thank Offering and the Diocesan Scholarship Fund, which is used to support mission and ministry through educational programs and conferences.

Checks for these memorial offerings should be made out to "The Diocese of Bethlehem – BoR (Book of Remembrance)" and sent to the:

Episcopal Diocese of Bethlehem
333 Wyandotte Street
Bethlehem, PA 18015

Deadline for entries for the 2016/2017 Book of Remembrance is September 6th. All names submitted after that date will be placed in the 2017/2018 book.

St. Paul's Cycle of Prayer: Elaine Petrzala; Peter & Therese Quigg; Sandra Seeger; Anne Shafer

Pub Night Friday: This week we will meet at 6:00 p.m. at Maggie and Jerry Socks for Pub Night. Maggie will have pizza so please bring along a side, snack, or dessert. Also please bring your own beverage.
Directions from St. Paul's to Jerry & Maggie's. Take Rt 29 South to South Montrose. Turn right at blinker light. Turn left toward Elk Lake go past American Legion, go straight through blinker light at Elk Lake – continue straight for approximately 2 miles to stop sign. Turn right follow hard top. At bottom of hill (pond on right) turn left on dirt road Murry Road 742 is on left (5th house). 742 Murry Road, Meshoppen, Home phone number 570-833-4586.

Pictures for the Website: If you have any photos of St. Paul's Church or People you would like to have put on our website please give them to Dan Graham or Betty. We can scan them and give them back to you.

Our collections for the Food Bank & Women's Resource Center are the first Sunday of every month. Blessings and thanks for your support and participation.

Our thanksgivings: We give thanks for Joe Welden and Barbara Undercoffler who celebrate their birthdays this week. *O God, look with favor, we pray, as Joe & Barbara begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life. Amen.*

We give thanks for those celebrating wedding anniversaries this week. *Grant o God, in your compassion, that those celebrating wedding anniversaries this week may live out the covenant they have made. May they grow in forgiveness, loyalty and love, and come at last to the eternal joys which you have promised through Jesus Christ our Lord; and may the blessing of God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be with them this day and forever. Amen.*

For those who are ill or have requested our prayers: Margaret Burgh, Brad Darde, Joe Welden, Rick Arrowsmith, Jennie Bowen, Sarah Bertsch, Jerry Stahl, Becky Stasko, Sara, Klye Kupscznk, Patti, Kimberly, Karen April, Kathy Warriner & Alice.

Thanksgivings: *Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us, especially during this past week. Amen.*

Pastoral Emergency: call the parish office during office hours. After hours, you may call Lynne Graham at her home 570-934-1160.

SEND COMMUNICATIONS: minutes, special events etc. to the office, for the parish office to disperse.

CHURCH CLOSURES please turn your radio dial to WPEL 96.5 FM. We will announce any closure of our church service on that station.

3 Photos this week.

St. Paul's Altar Flowers: If you wish to reserve, a Sunday please sign-up on the sheet at the back of the church. Then fill out an Altar Flower Card. Please use one card for each request, enclose your check for \$36.00 with the card in the envelope provided, and place it in the offering plate or send it to the parish office prior to the week that you are doing flowers. For those wishing to supply your own flowers please sign up on the sheet at the back of the church and fill out an altar flower card indicating you will do your own flowers. Thank you!

New Sink in Kitchen

If you wonder what all the disruption is in the kitchen, we are getting a new mop sink. The enclosed area will also house all the mops, brooms and cleaning supplies.





Lock Changed on Chestnut Street Door

The key lock on the Chestnut Street door has been changed to a keypad lock. If you currently have a code to get into church, it will work on both locks.

