

**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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July 16 - 22, 2017 Upcoming Events

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

- Sun. July 16 Holy Eucharist 9:00AM
- Sun. July 23 Holy Eucharist 9:00AM
- Sat. July 29 Service at St. Matthews 5:00PM
- Sun. July 30 Joint Service St. Mark's New Milford following by Picnic 11:00AM (NO Service at St. Paul's)

This Week's Lay Ministers:

Altar Guild: Else Brunner, Carol Lasher & Vera Dunn

Announcements: Lynne Graham

Camera & Broadcast: Al Leigh & Andrew Wurth

Acolyte: Benjamin Zalewski

Counters: Karen Blye McAbee & Jane Chandler

Eucharist Minister: Evie Constantine

Lector: Jane Chandler

Intercessor: Nancy Dooling

Greeter/Usher: Maggie Sock & Nancy Dooling

Readings for this week

First Reading: Genesis 25:19-34

Psalms: 119:105-112

Epistle: Romans 8:1-11

Gospel: Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Altar Flowers this week were arranged by Evie Constantine from Else Brunner's Garden.

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

Summer is coming and it is time for picnics.

We've been invited to join with St. Marks, Christ Church, and St. Peter's on July 30th at St. Mark's and with our "sister church" of St. Mark's, Moscow, and St. Peter's and their sister church, Christ Church, Susquehanna on August 20. Please mark them on your calendars. There will be Eucharist at the picnics, so we will not have a service at St. Paul's on those 2 Sundays.

Community Meal

There is a free weekly community meal served on Wednesdays at the United Methodist Church in Montrose and volunteers are needed. Volunteers make a soup/salad/entrée and work a portion of the meal shift or the whole shift from 3-7pm approximately once per month. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Roxanne Custer at (813) 335-5386.

Gifts of Silence

Second:

Humility: In silence, all our ideas and accomplishments are not so important.

We have a sense of our nakedness, life's vulnerability. Our self importance gives way to simple joys.

St. Paul's Cycle of Prayer: Chris & Alex Gursky; Joan Hamilton; Ruth Harrison; Glen & Ann Kiefer

Hometown Morning Market Saturdays starting May 20, 8:00 – 12:00 @the White Oak, 416 South Main Street, Montrose. Vendors will sell: locally grown vegetable and flowering plants, locally grown produce, handmade jewelry, fresh eggs, soaps, breakfast sandwiches, fresh coffee and more! Gluten free, dairy free waffles!

Pub Night Friday: is at Steve & Martha Kupscznk's house Friday July 14 at 6:00. Directions route 29 south from Montrose to Springville about 12 miles. Go through the blinking light in Springville, drive about 500' past the blinking light there will be a road that y's off in the right. Turn right onto that road which is Lynn road. Drive 1 1/2 miles on Lynn road, you will see a yellow house and green shed on left and red barn on right just past the red barn is a dirt road which is Dick Naylor road turn right on Naylor road. We are the house/farm at the end of the road. White House with barns. Home # is 570-965-3064 cell # is 570-396-2220. All are welcome. I will be making stuffed cabbage and perogies. Please bring a dish to pass and byob.

There will be a concert by the Re-Entry Women's Choir (made up of women who have been in prison) at the Dimock Campgrounds on July 23. 6:30 pm

Sunday, July 23 - Sue & Kelly Pratt with the Re-entry Choir, and speaker Mike Hawthorne

The Pratt's are a music ministry team that has been performing at churches, festivals, restaurants, parks and picnics for over 13 year. Nine years ago God called them to join the [Exodus Prison & Aftercare Ministries](#) (EPAM) team bringing their musical gifts to the women's worship/praise services on Sunday afternoons at the Susquehanna City Correctional Facility. The women's voices of praise and music have blossomed into the Re-Entry Choir. Mike Hawthorne, also an EPAM member, will be sharing his testimony.

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 Maximus Bartron & others who celebrate their birthdays this week. *O God, look with favor, we pray, as Maximus & others 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.

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!

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

3 Photos this week.

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.

Supervisors



St. Francis Given New Look

St. Francis has been gracing our Memorial Garden almost as long as it has been there. When we showed the old 1960 photo in a previous edition, he was at the front of the rhododendron. However, over the last almost fifty years, he stayed put and the rhododendron expanded causing him to be hidden. Thanks to Jack Lasher and a sharp hedge clipper, he is now visible again. Take a look if you get over to the garden.



St Paul's Parish Hall Stage Called out of Retirement

"The Endless Mountains Theatre Company has been hard at work rehearsing their summer musical, "Guys and Dolls," in the St. Paul's Parish Hall for the past few weeks. This fun "musical fable of Broadway" is showcasing some amazing local talent, as well as bringing to life the comic trials of its cast, living in NYC in the 1940s. The show will be staged at Elk Lake High School on July 27 and 28, 7 p.m., and July 29, 3 p.m. EMTC is very grateful to St. Paul's for providing this wonderful space to work in, and looks forward to holding other events in the church in the future. Those events will include dinner theaters, murder mystery shows, and groupings of one act plays. Watch their website and St. Paul's newsletter for details!"

