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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Jan 14 - 21, 2018 Upcoming Events

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

- > DOK Mtg Sat. Jan 13 at 10:00am
- Sleeping Bags Jan 13 at 1:00pm
- ➤ Holy Eucharist on Sun. Jan 14 at 10:00am with Rev. Hazel Hunt
- Vestry Mtg. changed to Tue. Jan 16 at 5:30pm
- Memorial Service for Karen Holgate Sat. Jan. 20 at 10:00am Rev. Lou Divis

Readings for this week

First Reading: 1 Samuel 3:1-10(11-20)

Psalm: 139:1-5, 12-17

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

Gospel: John 1:43-51

This Week's Lay Ministers:

Altar Guild: Mary & Ben Zalewski Announcements: Lynne Graham

Camera & Broadcast: Al Leigh & Andrew

Wurth

Acolyte: Benjamin Zalewski & Sean Eckert Counters: Maggie Sock & Richard Marker

Chalice Bearer: Jerry Sock Lector: Jane Chandler Intercessor: Esther Welden

Greeter/Usher: John Finlon & Barbara

Undercoffler

Hospitality: Vickie Calby

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



Bread Collection

The Vestry has started a Sunday collection to provide bread for the Montrose Mobile Food Bank once a month. We expect that the cost would be around \$250 per month to provide bread for the monthly distribution which is the 2nd Friday of each month.

Centering Prayer On Wednesdays 12 Noon to 12:20

"Prayer is sitting in the silence until it silences us, choosing gratitude until we are grateful, and praising God until we ourselves are an act of praise"

Friday Night Social

We will resume our Friday evening get together next Friday, January 19, 2018.

The time and place will be announced in next week's Update.

I hope your New Year has gotten off to a wonderful start!

Reports for the Annual Meeting on January 28th after the service will need to be into the office by Tuesday, January 23. Thank You.

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

St. Paul's Cycle of Prayer: Jennie Bowen; John, Else & Molly Brunner; Margaret Burgh; David, Vickie & Stephanie Calby

For those who are ill or have requested our prayers: Margaret Burgh, Brad Darde, Joe & Esther Welden, Rick Arrowsmith, Jennie Bowen, Sarah Bertsch, Becky Stasko, Sara, Kyle, Kathy Warriner, Janice, K'ann, Pat & Charles.

Our thanksgivings: We give thanks for Molly Brunner, Therese Quigg, Anne Shafer, Bill Rathbone and Nathaniel Syle who celebrate their birthdays this week. O God, look with favor, we pray, as Molly, Therese, Anne, Bill and Nathaniel 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.

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

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.

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!

4 Photos this week

Burr! In the Bleak Mid-Winter

In the bleak mid-winter, frosty winds may blow, earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone. On Sunday, the Epiphany service was canceled due to extremely cold weather. Wind chill was in the minus teens. Epiphany Sunday is the day of course we add the Wise Men to the creche. Look for them next week on Epiphany I.



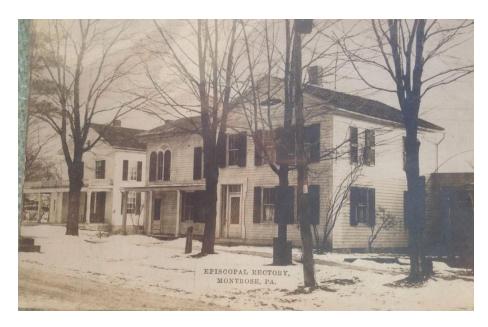
Remember When

It wasn't that long ago our kitchen looked like this. The picture was taken in October right before it was remodeled.



St. Paul's Rectory

Sandy Darde responded to last week's 1910 photo of Church Street indicating that it was taken in front of the old St. Paul's Rectory. She lived in it while growing up and says it was haunted! The Rectory was purchased by the church in 1906 and had been the home of the Lyons family. Three brothers had served in the Civil War and one designed the monument on the green. Rev. Edward Warriner retired at the time of the purchase and decided to stay in and buy the Rectory on South Main St where Regan's Funeral home is now. St. Paul's rectors lived in the Church Street house for the next 90 years.



Coats

From October through December, Christ Church in Susquehanna, Christ Church in Forest City, St. Mark's in New Milford and St. Paul's in Montrose, along with members of the American Legion in Montrose, collected and distributed more than 1,600 coats, plus scarves, gloves, hats, snow pants and other articles of clothing, to people in Susquehanna County.

With a budget of about \$2,000, the Coats for Community program held several coat drives, bought coats from the Salvation Army on half-price Wednesdays, and received donated coats from Susquehanna County Interfaith and Burlington Coat Factory. Several local high school student volunteers assisted with setting up and distributing the coats.

