

**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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Apr 22 - 28, 2018 Upcoming Events

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

- Bishop Candidates Walkabout Thu. Apr. 19 at 7:00PM
- Warren Morgan Memorial Service Sat. April 21 at 11:00AM with Rev. Charles Cesaretti
- Holy Eucharist Sunday April 22 at 10:00am with Rev. John Wagner
- Bible Study Tue. April 24 at 6:00PM
- DOK Retreat at Camp Lackawanna will be on June 1, 2 & 3

Readings for this week

First Reading: Acts 4:5-12

Psalm: 23

Epistle: 1 John 3:16-24

Gospel: John 10:11-18

This Week's Lay Ministers:

Altar Guild: Carol Lasher & Carol Marker

Announcements: Lynne Graham

Camera & Broadcast: Al Leigh & Andrew Wurth

Acolyte: Benjamin Zalewski & Sean Eckert

Counters: Dan Graham & Steve Kupscznk

Chalice Bearer: Vickie Calby

Lector: Jane Chandler

Intercessor: Nancy Dooling

Greeter/Usher: Sandy Seeger & Marsha Jones

Walkabouts

St. Paul's is honored to host a walkabout for the two candidates for the IX Bishop of the Diocese of Bethlehem. On Thursday, April 19, starting at 7:00pm the Rev. Canon Ruth Woodliff-Stanley and the Rev. Canon Kevin D. Nichols will be present at St. Paul's as we host the northern region to meet the candidates, hear them speak, and answer questions. Please submit any questions for the Bishop Nominees in advance to bishoptransitiondiobeth@gmail.com.

It is my understanding that the nominee's introductory remarks will be live-streamed in the sanctuary and then we will break into groups to speak with the candidates individually. The above website is a great place to learn more about the candidates before the walkabouts.

Following the sessions, we will serve refreshments. A signup sheet is on the refrigerator for volunteers to provide finger foods for that time. Before the election of the new bishop on April 28, we will come together as a parish and decide whom we wish our delegate, Maggie Sock, to vote for. Please plan to attend one of the scheduled walkabouts that are listed on the diocesan website or in the bulletin inserts if you are unable to attend at St. Paul's. This election is a significant occasion for our Diocese and every parish in it.

Vestry Highlights, April 12, 2018

- The Vestry discussed and agreed to investigate partnering with local churches to hold a Community Conversation about Addiction.
- We are seeking permission from the Diocese to sign a gas lease with Cabot for our .71 acres. Lynne was unable to present to the Standing Committee as their meeting on March 21 was cancelled.
- The Vestry had agreed by email following last month's meeting to purchase a violet chasuble for approximately \$706 with memorial funds.
- We had an initial discussion of giving security codes to those wishing to visit loved ones in the columbarium. We will approach the Bishop about this issue.
- We discussed going on the fuel budget plan. Vickie, who works for Leatherstocking, will submit a budget plan to us for further discussion.
- The audit meeting with Vicki Stock was rescheduled for Thursday, April 26, as Vicki was unable to make the scheduled meeting with the Vestry.

Lynne Graham

Centering Prayer Wednesdays from 12 Noon to 12:20

The heart and soul of Centering Prayer is consenting to God's presence and action within.



Bread Collection Update

As you know, St. Paul's started a second collection on Sundays to provide money to buy bread for the Montrose Mobile Food Pantry once a month. We expected the cost to be about \$250 a month and that has been our goal. The monthly distribution takes place on the second Friday of each month. Thank you for your generosity. The recipients of the Food Pantry services are depending on us.

The Endless Mountains Theatre Company

will present JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT this August. Auditions will be held to recruit cast members on Sat. April 28 at 10:00am and on Fri. May 18 at 6:00pm at the East Bridgewater Church on Route 167 between Montrose & Brooklyn. This is the small white church about a mile south of the large new Bridgewater Church. A song from the show will be taught and those auditioning must be at least 10 years old. There are roles for men, women and children. Rehearsals will begin in early June and will be in the Montrose area. Performances will be Aug. 2, 3, 4 and 5 at Elk Lake High School. Any questions should be mailed to emtc@nep.net Thanks!

Friday Night Social

We will meet at the Calby house beginning at 6:00 p.m on Friday, April 20th. Please bring a dish to pass. Water, coffee, and tea will be provided. Please bring your beverage of choice otherwise. Getting together will be like coming out of the deep dark hole we have been stuck in during these cold, dreary months!

Book Group

It has been suggested we should consider starting a Book Group at St. Paul's. If you are interested please let Lynne or Vickie know. We would meet once a month to discuss the book we have been reading.

St. Paul's Cycle of Prayer: Evelyn & Emile Constantine; Sandy Darde; Mary Ann DeWitt; Nancy Dooling

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

ENDLESS MOUNTAINS THEATRE COMPANY
presents

A Night of One Acts

Friday, April 27th, 7:00 p m
Saturday, April 28th, 7:00 p m
Sunday, April 29th, 3:00 p m

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\$14 - General Admission
\$12 - Students/Seniors

Includes Light Fare on Friday and Saturday and Coffee and Desserts on Sunday
Tickets Available at the Door on Day of Show

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

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

Eckert, Alice Wood, Jean Williams, Charlotte Ellis, Ryan Hayes & Esther McLaughlin.

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.

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.

Our thanksgivings: We give thanks for Naomi Bennett and those who celebrate their birthdays this week. *O God, look with favor, we pray, as Naomi and 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.*

7 Photos this week

Jennie Bowen's Memorial Service

Last Saturday, we had a Celebration of Life for Jennie Bowen, a long time parishioner at St. Paul's and resident of Montrose, who died last January. The service was celebrated by the Rev. Canon Charles A. Cesaretti. Jennie's son-in-law, Paul Adkins, the Willow String Ensemble and Mary Ann DeWitt provided musical accompaniment. The service was followed by a catered luncheon and time to share memories of Jennie's life.

*There are souls so bright, that even when they're gone.
That even in the night, they shine, shine, shine.
An when they glow, that's how you know your way.*





Lectors

St. Paul's has always enjoyed a large lay participation in our services. One of the easiest ways to take part in the service is to serve as a lector. Jerry Sock arranges the schedule and rotates the readers. If you would like to become a reader, or have questions, contact Jerry.



