

**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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May 6 - 12, 2018 Upcoming Events

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

- Marlene Very Funeral Service Sat. May 5 at 2:00pm
- Holy Eucharist Sun. May 6 at 10:00am with Rev. John Wagner
- Planning Mtg. Community Conversation Mon. May 7 at 7:00pm
- Bible Study Tue. May 8 at 6:00pm
- Sleeping Bags Wed. May 9 at 1:00pm
- Vestry Mtg. Thu. May 10 at 5:30pm
- DOK Mtg. Sat. May 12 at 10:00am
- Sleeping Bags Sat. May 12 at 1:00pm
- DOK Retreat at Camp Lackawanna will be on June 1, 2 & 3

Readings for this week

First Reading: Acts 10:44-48

Psalm: 98

Epistle: 1 John 5:1-6

Gospel: John 15:9-17

**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.

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: Carol Marker & Sandy Seeger

Chalice Bearer: Esther Welden

Lector: Dan Graham

Intercessor: Carol Marker

Greeter/Usher: Sandy Seeger & Stephanie Calby

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.



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 Diocese of Bethlehem Elects IX Bishop

At the special electing convention held on Saturday, April 28, the Rev. Canon Kevin Nichols was elected on the first ballot as



the ninth Bishop of our Diocese. He accepted the election and addressed the convention by phone. He said he couldn't wait to see what God has in store for us together.

The Bishop elect will be ordained as Bishop on September 15.

History of St. Paul's

As many of you know, Dan Graham is writing a history of St. Paul's. Entitled *The History of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Montrose 1831-2018*, he hopes to get it published this summer. If you have any pictures or stories you would like to share, please let Dan know.



Endless Mountains Theatre Company

Love Mom – A loving reflection on mothers and mothering, told in a series of monologues.

Friday May 11th at 6:30pm

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

Includes Light Refreshments

Free Admission

Free Will Donations Accepted

Friday Night Social

This week we will meet at Lynne and Dan Grahams at 6:00 p.m.

Lynne is making chili and everyone is asked to bring a dish to pass. Also please bring your own beverage.

See you Friday! Enjoy the sun!

Endless Mountains Theatre Company

will present JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT this August. Auditions will be held to recruit cast members 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!

St. Paul's Cycle of Prayer: Scott, Mari, Emma & Cora Finlon; Lynne & Dan Graham; Marsha Jones; Glen & Ann Kiefer

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

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, Esther McLaughlin & Susan Kamarauskas.

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 thanksgivings: We give thanks for Richard Marker and Joel Maxey who celebrate their birthdays this week. *O God, look with favor, we pray, as Richard and Joel 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.*

2 Photos this week

Endless Mountains Theatre Company

Our parish hall stage was called into service again last weekend when the Endless Mountains Theatre Company had three presentations of *A Night of One Acts*. St. Paul's parish house was built in 1926 with this type of performance in mind and it cannot be over stressed how much our facility has been used by the Montrose community over the last 90 years. With its movie theater, stage and hall, it has been used continuously and for a number of years served as Montrose's de facto community center. The Company will be putting on a performance of a play here this month entitled *Love Mom* on Friday, May 11th at 6:30. It will be a "Loving reflection of mothers and mothering."



Sign base added

Dave Beebe took advantage of our beautiful weather this week and began building the base for our sign. Using brick that matched our church, it will have a bluestone top. Take a look as you go into church.

