

**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 8 - 14, 2018 Upcoming Events

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

- Holy Eucharist Sun. July 8 at 10:00am with Rev. Hazel Hunt
- Sleeping Bags Wed. July 11 and Sat. July 14 at 1:00pm
- DOK Mtg. Sat. July 11 at 10:00am

This Week's Lay Ministers:

Altar Guild: Else Brunner & Carol Marker

Announcements: Lynne Graham

Camera & Broadcast: Al Leigh & Andrew Wurth

Acolyte: Benjamin Zalewski or Sean Eckert

Counters: Maggie Sock & Richard Marker

Chalice Bearer: Lynne Graham

Lector: Stephanie Calby

Intercessor: Esther Welden

Greeter/Usher: John Finlon & Barbara

Undercoffler

Hospitality: Maggie & Jerry Sock; Rita & Al Leigh

Readings for this week

First Reading: Ezekiel 2:1-5

Psalm: 123

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 12:2-10

Gospel: Mark 6:1-13

Altar Flowers today are In Memory of Margaret Stark from her family.

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.

Centering Prayer

Wednesdays from 12 Noon to 12:20

Prayer is not asking. Prayer is putting oneself in the hands of God, at God's disposition, and listening for Love's voice in the depths of our hearts. Mother Teresa

Friday Night Social

There will be no Social Night this week. We will resume next week. Happy 4th of July to all!

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.

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

For those who are ill or have requested our prayers: Margaret Burgh, Brad Darde, Rick Arrowsmith, Sarah Bertsch, Becky Stasko, Kyle, Kathy Warriner, Joe & Esther Welden, Janice, K'ann, Pat, Charles, Charlotte Eckert, Alice Wood, Jean Williams, Charlotte Ellis, Esther McLaughlin, Susan Kamarauskas, Jeanette, Jeanne & Bart Conklin.

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: James & Elizabeth Bailey; Margaret Baker; Benson, Rachel, Maximus & Lucas Bartron; Naomi Bennett

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

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

Our thanksgivings: We give thanks for those who celebrate their birthdays this week. O

God, look with favor, we pray, as they 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.

The new chairs are in place in the Celtic Room so we now need to decommission the old ones. Before we offer them to other institutions, we thought we would ask St. Paul's parishioners if they want any. These chairs are brown metal, unpadded, have "St. Paul's Montrose" stenciled on the back and are free for the taking. Let Dan know if you are interested.



5 Photos this week.

Summertime and the Liven is Easy

It was a hot one last Sunday. Our greeter had on her summer hat and a cool dress and Fr John was in his short sleeves. We brought a fan in for the organist and opened the windows for some air for the rest of us. We even tried to open the glass doors but the truck traffic was too loud. Summertime in Montrose we waited for it all winter!



July 4th

For more years than anyone can remember, St. Paul's is a premier location for folks to watch the July 4th Parade. We set some chairs and a table out on Tuesday morning to reserve our own spots, and Dave Calby said that when he came by after work there were 30 chairs lined up. Vicki opened up and Maggie, Sean, Martha, Lynne manned the table to give out free water, twizzlers, icy pops and fruit snacks. They also passed out church pamphlets. We opened the doors to the church and opened our bathrooms as a Baby Changing Station. The weather held and it was a great parade.



Test Your July 4th Memory

St. Paul's won a prize this year for its float -- a plywood likeness of our church. The music camp kids rode in it and waved and sang along the way. It looks like John Finlon's truck pulling the float. Take a guess and what year it was. What happened to the plywood church?

