

**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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**June 30 – July 6, 2019 Upcoming Events**

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

- Sun. June 30 Sunday Eucharist at  
10:00am with Rev. Morgan Silbaugh
- Thu. July 4 Breakfast

**Readings for Sunday**

First Reading: 1 Kings 19:15-16,19-21

Psalm: 16

Epistle: Galatians 5:1,13-25

Gospel: Luke 9:51-62

**This Week's Lay Ministers:**

Altar Guild: Carol Lasher & Barbara  
Undercoffler

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: Carol Marker

Greeter/Usher: Maggie Sock & Nancy Dooling

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

"If you know anyone who wishes to receive the  
Weekly Update, please let Betty know."

**Altar Flowers this week are In Memory of  
Loved Ones.**

**Hello all,**

At our meeting, we made a decision to take  
over the breakfast on July 4th from the UMC.  
We will modify the menu--bagel sandwiches  
and yogurt, donuts, fruit and beverages. This  
will be a huge undertaking to accomplish in a  
couple weeks prep time.

WE NEED ALL HANDS ON DECK!!!! We  
need commitments for set up the night before,  
cooking, serving, and clean up.

All proceeds will go towards sponsoring  
children to go to Camp Spirit Song--a camp for  
children affected by addiction of a loved one.  
Summer camp of this sort can be a life-  
changer.

We also are looking for monetary donations  
and donations in kind. Karen Blye-McAbee  
has a sign-up sheet for donations of  
foodstuffs. Please solicit your friends and be  
as generous as you can. This is a worthy  
cause and a wonderful opportunity to serve the  
community.

Thank you. Lynne

**Vestry Highlights, June 13, 2019**

- We read 2 Cor 12:1-10 and discussed the  
thorn in Paul's side and how God  
answered Paul's plea to remove it by  
saying that God's grace is sufficient.
- We voted to cover Diocesan Convention  
costs and hotel for Fr. John. He does  
so much for us and we are grateful.

- We approved a donation of \$500.00 to the Restoration Committee with the understanding that in a small community, we need to be supportive of the efforts to improve our community's face.
- St. Paul's will take over the breakfast on July 4th from Montrose UMC as a Stop the Stigma fundraiser. We will modify the menu and need many volunteers for set up, cooking, serving, and clean up. Please help!! Proceeds will go to send children in Province III (The Diocese of Bethlehem and St. Paul's included) to a camp for those touched by addiction in the family.
- We accepted the Property report with thanks to John Finlon for re-hanging the lights in the kitchen.
- We liquidated the 10 shares of IBM stock held at Janney (due to high maintenance fees). We will place the funds in the operating account until transferred to the DIT. We accepted the Treasurer's Report.

#### Upcoming events:

- Fr. John will be visiting with his family on June 23rd and 30th. The Rev. Morgan Silbaugh will supply on June 30th and we will read Morning Prayer on June 23rd.
- July 4th breakfast 8 a.m. at St. Paul's
- We will hold our annual service at St. Matthew's on Sunday, July 21st at 10:00 a.m.

Next meeting: Thursday, July 11, 2019

**St. Paul's Cycle of Prayer:** William Newlin Jr.; Elaine Petrzala; Sandra Seeger; Anne Shafer

**Send Communications:** minutes, special events etc. to the office, for the parish office to disperse.

#### **New Prayer List in June**

Whether it's closets, shelves, or prayer lists, sometimes we need to take inventory to keep things up to date. For this reason, we ask that if someone needs to stay on our prayer list, you call the office and give Betty the name.

Beginning with the first Weekly Update after this notice, we will start fresh with our list and add back any names who need to be on it. Please help us keep our list current by removing names from the list when appropriate. Thank you.

Lynne



#### **Card Shower & Happy Birthday – Alice**

Wood will be celebrating her 95<sup>th</sup> Birthday on June 26<sup>th</sup>. Home address is: 15 Bowen St., Montrose, PA 18801.

**For those who are ill or have requested our prayers:** Margaret Burgh, Brad Darde, Kathy Warriner, Joe & Esther Welden, Charlotte Eckert, Alice Wood, Charlotte Ellis, Esther McLaughlin, Jeanette, Jeanne & Bart Conklin, Steve Kupscznk, Kristina, Richard Marker, Martha Kupscznk, Andrew, Gaby Warriner & Carol Marker.

**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.

## June Mobile Pantry Food Distribution



On Friday June 14th, the monthly food distribution took place at the Mobile Food Pantry at the Methodist Church. As you know, St. Paul's provides the funds to purchase the bread. In addition, parishioners also participate in helping with the distribution. Of interest, this month was the second anniversary of the Pantry, which initially served about 100. This week, food to 284 households was distributed -- that included 162 children, 210 seniors and 258 adults. The next distribution is July 12th.

### Centering Prayer Starts New Phase.

Centering prayer has begun a new phase in May. We will "do" Centering Prayer at our own homes at noon on Wednesdays. On the last Wednesday of the month we will gather in the sanctuary at St. Paul's Church in Montrose. If you haven't tried meditation lately, this would be a splendid opportunity.

### Sleeping Bag Ministry Requests:

NEEDED items are: warm hats, gloves and scarves. Fabric yardage, 1 yard minimum blankets and flat sheets (no fitted sheets please) sample size soaps, shampoo, tooth paste mini size tissues Items need not be perfect, only Clean. We are OVER STOCKED with toothbrushes, socks, and neckties. Thank you to everyone who works to make this ministry possible and all are welcome to join us on the second Wednesday and second Saturday of each month downstairs in Rm. #1. No sewing, ' only need to tie a knot !!!!!

**Our thanksgivings:** We give thanks for Mary Zalewski, Charlotte Ellis, Margaret Baker and Alice Wood who celebrate their birthdays this past week. *O God, look with favor, we pray, as Mary, Charlotte, Margaret & Alice 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.*

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

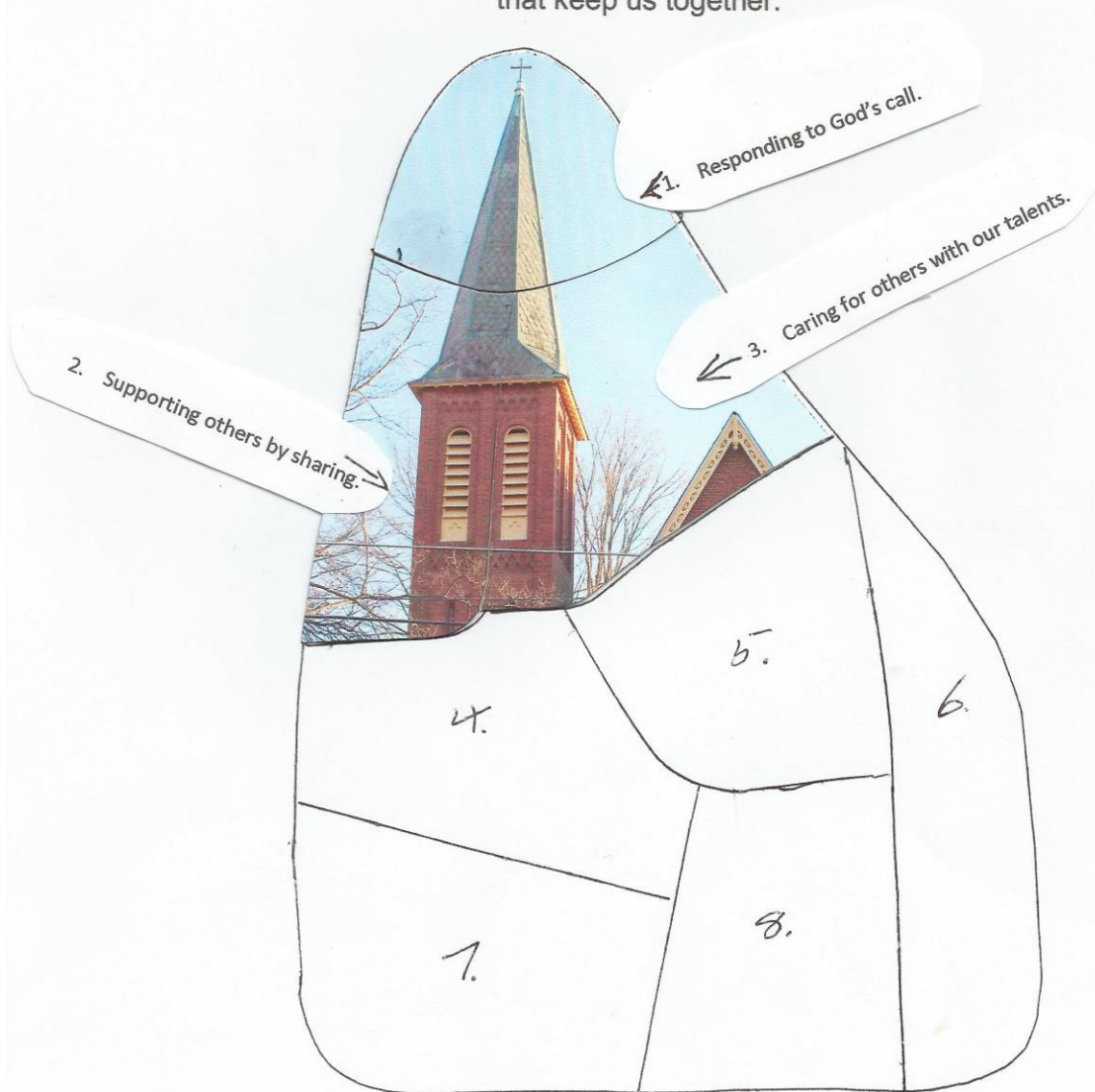
**Church Closures** please turn your radio dial to WPEL 96.5 FM. We will announce any closure of our church service on that station.

**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!

## STEWARDSHIP

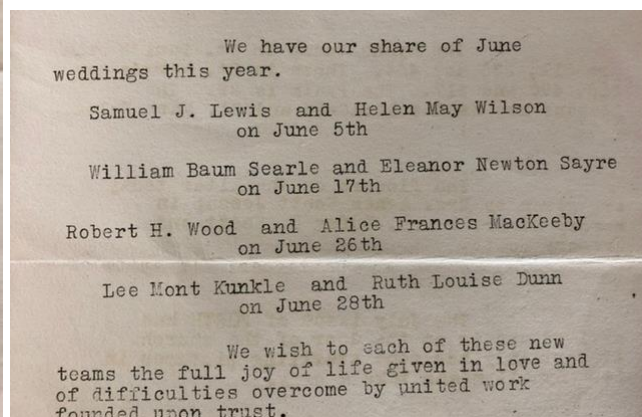
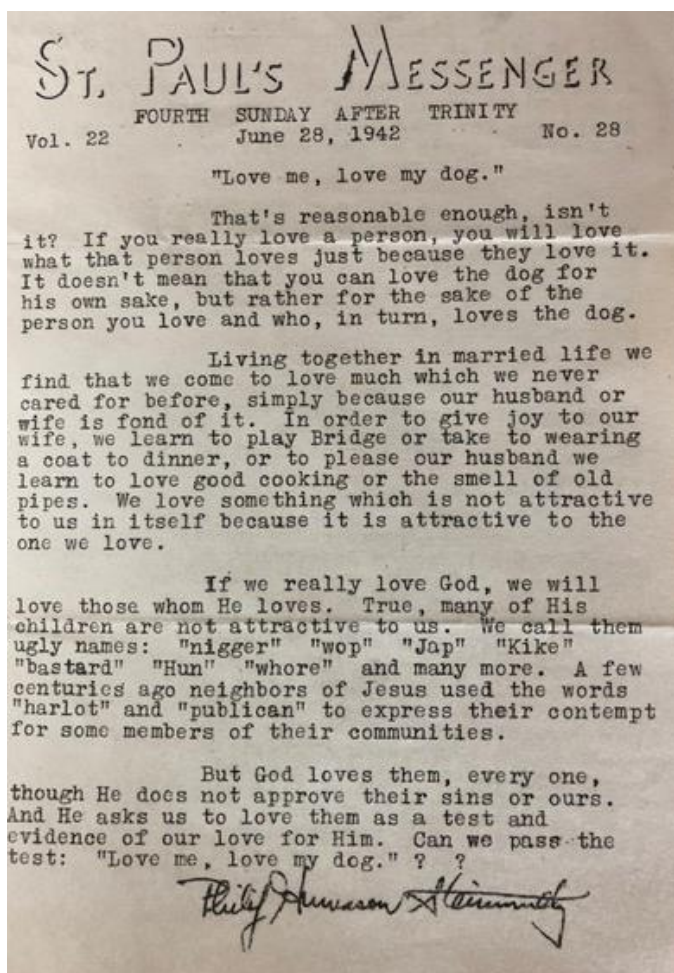
### A puzzle of many pieces!

Over the next several weeks, look for pieces  
that keep us together.



**9 Photos this week.**





## Alice MacKeeby Wood's Wedding Announcement

St. Paul's 15th minister, the Rev. Elliston Joseph Perot, came to St. Paul's in 1907. He revised the parish record system and began the publication of a monthly (later weekly) parish newsletter called *St. Paul's Messenger*. In addition to a note from the rector, parish news provided announcements including weddings and baptisms. The June 28, 1942 *Messenger* noted four June marriages at St. Paul's including that of longtime parishioner, Alice Frances MacKeeby's marriage to Robert H, Wood. They were married on Alice's 18th birthday. Wish Alice a Happy 95th Birthday and send her a card. Her address is 15 Bowen Street, Montrose, PA 18801.

## Trinity Sunday



June 16th, the first Sunday after Pentecost, is also known as Trinity Sunday. It celebrates the Christian doctrine of the Trinity, the three Persons of God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

## Morning Prayer

Father John was on vacation on June 23rd, and we read Morning Prayer. Mary read the lessons and Nancy and Lynne led the service. Fr. John will still be on vacation next week and Fr. Morgan Silbaugh will preside at Eucharist.



## Karen Holgate Tree

The redbud tree that was planted in the Memorial Garden in memory of Karen Holgate bloomed this year for the first time. It was planted in the fall of 2017 and has found a home in our garden. Karen died two years ago in June.



## **Church Grounds Ready for July 4th.**

One week from now is July 4th and as everybody knows, St. Paul's Church Street sidewalk is one of the premiere spots to see the parade. The grounds received their annual pre-parade sprucing-up. The hedges and bushes were trimmed and the mulch was put down. Dave keeps the grass looking good, so we are ready. The glass doors to the church will be open for visitors, as will the bathrooms for changing babies. This year, in addition to selling ice cream, we will be serving breakfast so the church will be busy. Come and help where you can.

