

**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 9 - 15, 2019 Upcoming Events

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

- Sun. June 9 Sunday Eucharist at 10:00am with Rev. John Wagner
- Sat. June 8 DOK at 10:00AM
- Sleeping Bags Sat June 8 at 1:00pm
- Vestry Mtg. Thu. June 9 at 5:30pm

Readings for Sunday

First Reading: Genesis 11:1-9

Psalm: 104:25-35, 37

Epistle: Romans 8:14-17

Gospel: John 8-17(25-27)

This Week's Lay Ministers:

Altar Guild: Vera Dunn & Carol Lasher

Announcements: Lynne Graham

Camera & Broadcast: Al Leigh & Andrew Wurth

Acolyte: Benjamin Zalewski or Sean Eckert

Counters: Karen Blye-McAbee & Sandy Seeger

Chalice Bearer: Nancy Dooling

Lector: Tom Undercoffler

Intercessor: Carol Marker

Greeter/Usher:

Hospitality: Lynne Graham & Karen Blye-McAbee

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

Altar Flowers this week are from Jerry & Maggie Sock In Memory of Donna Sock & Neal & Roseann McGee.

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.

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

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.

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



Onions and Carrots Bagged, and Ready for Distribution!

Last Friday, the Montrose Mobile Pantry distributed food to 254 households, including 135 children, 245 adults and 195 seniors and twenty new households were added. St. Paul's parishioners routinely volunteer for the unloading of the trucks and the bagging and distribution of the food. Distribution is the second Friday of the month at the Methodist Church. It's fun and rewarding. Come and volunteer.

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.

St. Paul's Cycle of Prayer: Steve, Martha & Kyle Kupscznk; Carol & Jack Lasher; Al & Rita Leigh; George & Mary Beth Manns

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.

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 Elizabeth Bailey and others who celebrate their birthdays this week. *O God, look with favor, we pray, as Elizabeth & 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.*

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!

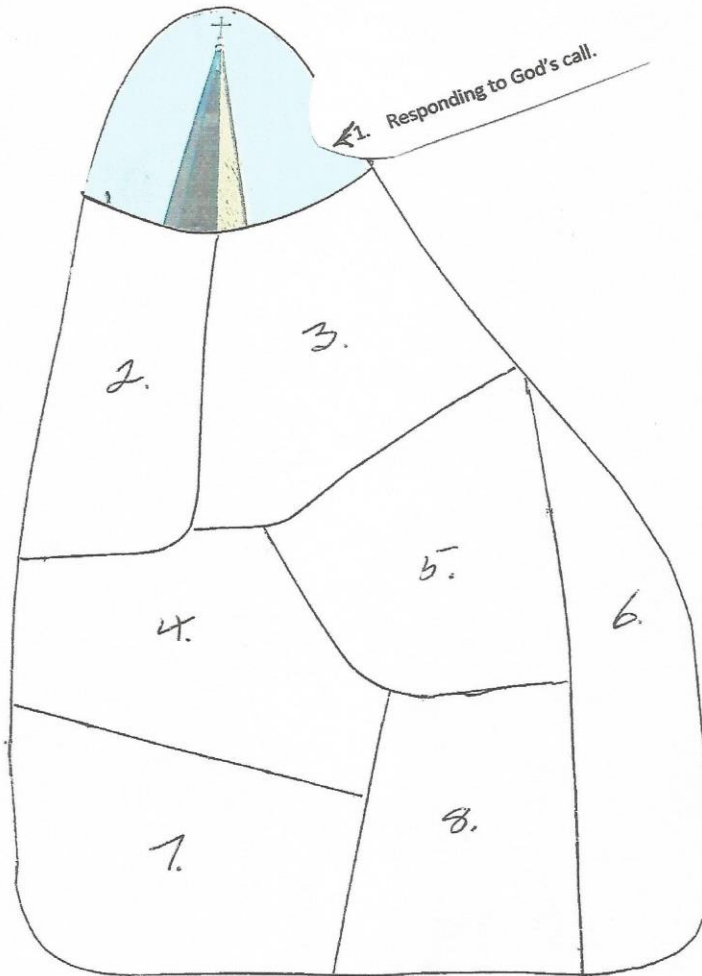
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of our church service on that station.

STEWARDSHIP

A puzzle of many pieces!

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



6 Photos this week.

Your Rod and Your Staff They Comfort Me

On Sunday, the 19th, Fr John replaced his cane for the day with a hand-crafted walking stick. Several parishioners commented on the craftsmanship and noted that it fit right into the Good Shepherd theme of the previous week.



Into Each Life a Little Rain (or a Light Fixture) Must Fall

Jerry Sock showed up for Bible Study last Tuesday and to his surprise, one of the kitchen light fixtures was hanging down. Luckily, that Jack of all Trades, John Finlon was there and took it down and replaced it the next day. All is well that ends well!



May Birthday Blessings



Are there any birthdays this week? Somebody always turns you in! Fr. John gave birthday blessings to Jerry Sock and Gabby Warriner last Sunday. Happy Birthday with many more to come.

New Susquehanna County Dairy Princess



On May 24, Kyleigh Jones (in red) became the 2019/2020 Susquehanna County Dairy Princess. Kyleigh is a 16-year-old student at Susquehanna Community School. The crowning traditionally takes place on St. Paul's Parish Hall's stage and due to the gorgeous day, pictures were taken in the Memorial Garden. If you see Kyleigh, wish her well.

Tiffany Window Expert Visits St. Paul's



We welcomed Donald Traser and Tom Reid at St. Paul's last week to take photographs of our Tiffany Windows. Donald, a retired church organist from Richmond, Virginia, drove up to North East Pennsylvania just to take the pictures. He said one of his: "retirement hobbies/ projects is studying stained glass, especially Tiffany windows." He has published several books and additionally has written several articles on Tiffany windows. On the trip, he took pictures of 40 Tiffany windows at 15 different locations including nearby Grace Episcopal Church in Honesdale and Trinity Episcopal Church in Carbondale. Donald said all-in-all, the trip was: "A very successful visit."