

**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 14-20, 2019 Upcoming Events

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

- Thu. July 11 Vestry 5:30pm
- Sat. July 13 DOK Mtg. 10:00am
- Sat July 13 Sleeping Bags at 1:00pm
- Sun. July 14 Sunday Eucharist at 10:00am with Rev. John Wagner
- Sun. July 21 Sunday Eucharist at 10:00am at St. Matthews with Rev. Cmdr. William Holiman – NO SERVICE AT ST. PAULS

Readings for Sunday

First Reading: Deuteronomy 30:9-14

Psalm: 25:1-9

Epistle: Colossians 1:1-14

Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

This Week's Lay Ministers:

Altar Guild: Carol Marker, Barb Undercoffler & Nancy Dooling

Announcements: Lynne Graham

Camera & Broadcast: Al Leigh & Andrew Wurth

Acolyte: Benjamin Zalewski or Sean Eckert

Counters: Tom Undercoffler & David Calby

Chalice Bearer: Nancy Dooling

Lector: Richard Marker

Intercessor: Vickie Calby

Greeter/Usher: John Finlon & Barbara Undercoffler

Altar Flowers this week are In Memory of Loved Ones.

Edward Stark Graveside Service



There will be a graveside Memorial Service for Ed Stark at the Montrose Cemetery on July 13th at noon with Fr. Charles Cesaretti. A gathering luncheon will start about 12:30pm in the Parish Hall at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Montrose.

Please let Lynne Graham know if you are attending the luncheon.

New Prayer List

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, Kathy Warriner, Joe Welden, Alice Wood & Naomi Bennett.

A Statement from Bishop Kevin: Reach Out in Love at the Border



I write to you this day broken-hearted. Vulnerable people, especially children are being mistreated, neglected, and are, tragically, even dying at our nation's border. What is happening at detention centers is inhumane, deplorable and counter to the teachings of Jesus Christ, who tells us, "just

as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me."

Since being called as your bishop, I have gathered with so many of you. As we have renewed our baptismal promises, I am often indicted by the words "will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being." I have been struck by your commitment to the communities you serve and your generosity of spirit. I imagine as you see news of these tragedies occurring within our own country that you may be confused, hurt, and seeking ways to ensure all people, and especially vulnerable children, are safe, secure, and receiving the care that they need. I encourage you to get involved in any of the following ways:

- Partner with the Diocese of Texas to [send supplies to the Humanitarian Respite Center](#) in McAllen, TX.
- [Support Immigration Ministries](#) in the Diocese of West Texas.
- [Join Partners in Welcome](#), an online learning and networking community from Episcopal Migration Ministries that works to support refugees and asylum-seekers.
- [Learn more about immigration and refugee resettlement](#) from the Episcopal Church Office of Government Relations.

And I also encourage you to pray--pray for the people who are being detained, especially the children. Pray for those who are entrusted with providing care. Pray for the people who are ministering to them. Pray for our country and its leaders.

Let us continue to reach out in love and strengthen the bonds that unite us.

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. 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.

St. Paul's Cycle of Prayer: Ralph Very; Edgar Warriner; John & Gaby Warriner; Katherine Warriner

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 Maggie Sock and Maximus Bartron who celebrate their birthdays this past week. *O God, look with favor, we pray, as Maggie & Maximus 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.

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.

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

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

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

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

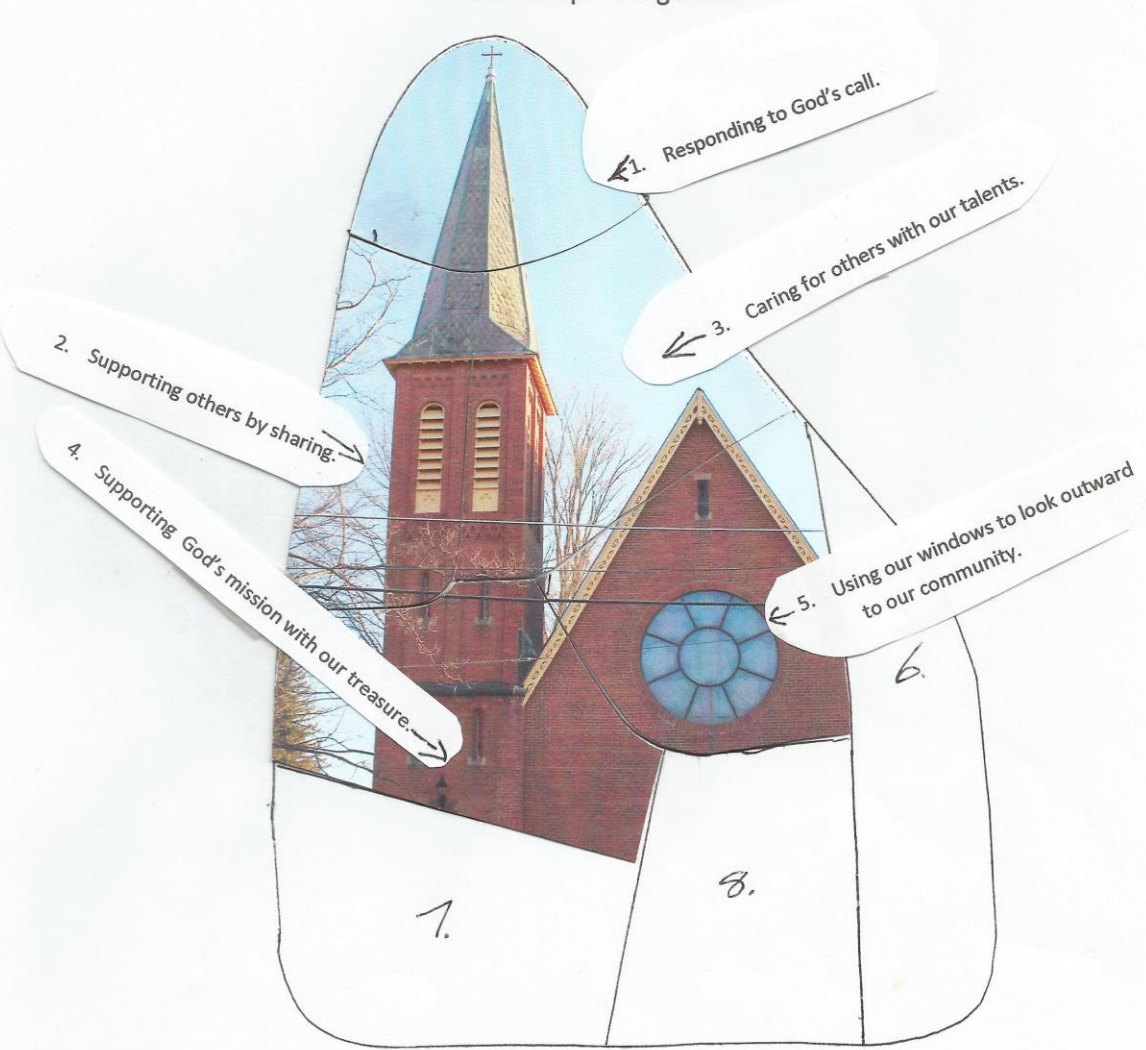
St. Paul's Altar Flowers: If you wish to reserve, a Sunday please sign-up on the sheet at the back of the church. Then fill out an Altar Flower Card. Please use one card for each request, enclose your check for \$36.00 with the card in the envelope provided, and place it in the offering plate or send 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!

9 Photos this week.

STEWARDSHIP

A puzzle of many pieces!

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



July 4th Breakfast a Success

The July 4th Breakfast for the Stop the Stigma ministry, wa a success. Lots of volunteers helped spread the workload and we had a good turnout. Set up folks, cooks, servers, clean-up crew and helpers all. Bagel egg and bacon breakfast sandwiches, bananas, vogert, donut holes, orange juice and coffee were the order of the day, Proceeds will go the help send children affected by the opoid crisis.





Montrose July 4th Parade

We are told, at one time, the Montrose Parade used to come up Grow Ave. and rather than continue up Church Street would turn right on Maple Street and go to the Courthouse that way. Whether true or not, in most of our memories, it has continued up Church St., passing St. Paul's and turned right on Public Ave. This creates some of the best seats for watching it in front of the church. Chairs begin appearing on our sidewalks on July 3rd, and by that night, the street is lined. By the time of the parade, our sidewalks are packed with people. We leave the doors open for the curious and visitors, and watch the parade ourselves from our church spot,

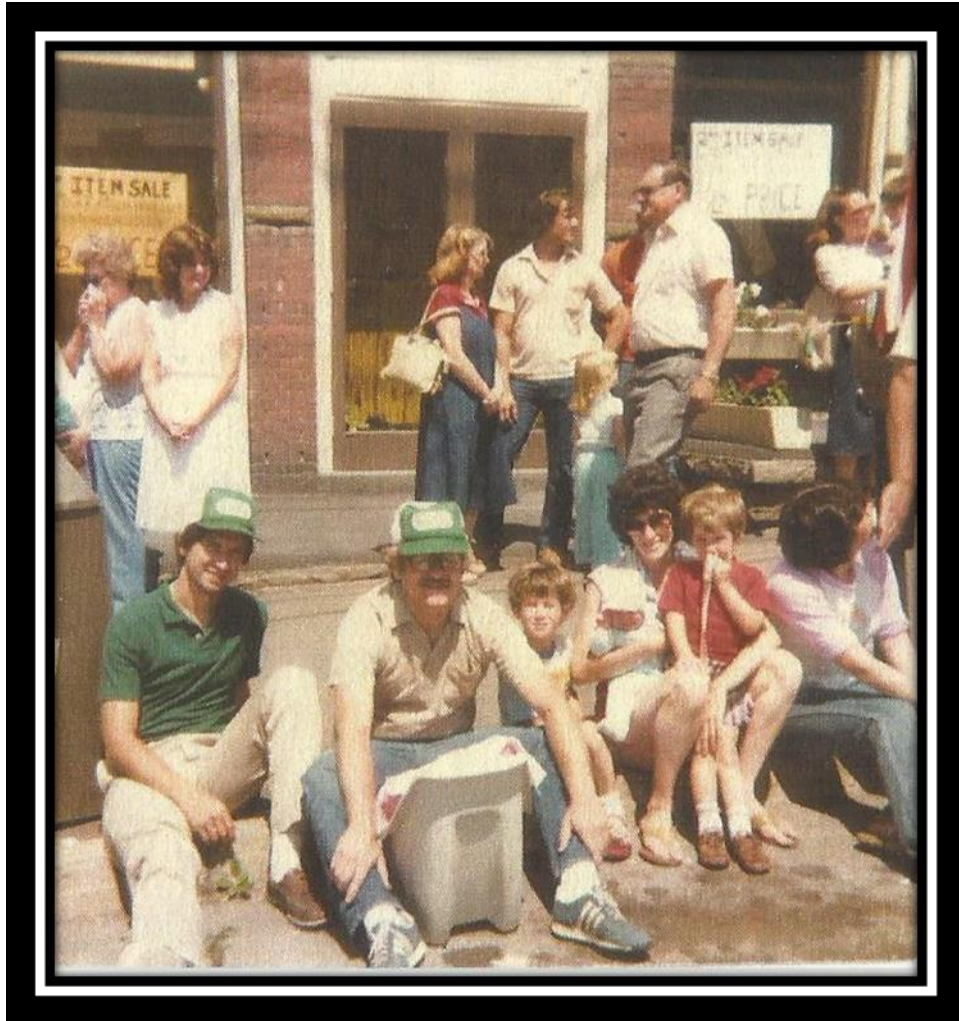
Waiting for the Parade, July 4th, 8:30



Waiting for Parade, July 4th, 10:00



Montrose July 4th Parade, 1982



Those were the days. The Grahams have been watching the Montrose July 4th parades since the 1970s. Here is a picture of Dan and Lynne with their three kids. The youngest, on Lynne's right knee, was three months old. That's how we dated the picture.