

**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 21-27, 2019 Upcoming Events**

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

- Sun. July 21 Sunday Eucharist at 10:00am at St. Matthews with Rev. Cmdr. William Holiman – **No Service At St. Paul's**
- Sun. July 28 Sunday Eucharist at 10:00am with Rev. John Wagner

**Readings for Sunday**

First Reading: Genesis 18:1-10a

Psalm: 15

Epistle: Colossians 1:15-28

Gospel: Luke 10:38-42

**This Week's Lay Ministers:**

Altar Guild: Carol Marker, Barb Undercoffler & Nancy Dooling

Announcements:

Acolyte: Benjamin Zalewski or Sean Eckert

Counters: Dan Graham & Steve Kupscznk

Chalice Bearer: Vickie Calby

Lector:

Intercessor: Vickie Calby

Greeter/Usher: Maggie Sock & Nancy Dooling

**For those who are ill or have requested our prayers:** Margaret Burgh, Kathy Warriner, Joe Welden, Alice Wood, Naomi Bennett & Jack Lasher.

**St. Paul's Cycle of Prayer:** Joe & Esther Welden; Alice Wood; Mary & Ben Zalewski; Robert & Patty Aiken

**Vestry Highlights, July 11, 2019**

- We read 1 Samuel 16:14-17:11 and discussed David being called by Saul and the beginning of the David and Goliath story.
- We reviewed the breakfast on July 4<sup>th</sup> and gave thanks to Karen Blye-McAbee for chairing the event so successfully. We made a profit of \$336.87 plus \$350 in donations, which will go to Camp Spirit Song for children in families affected by addiction.
- We will change the saying on our electronic sign to read: Is Jesus your LIFE source? We plan to change the saying monthly.
- We liquidated the 10 shares of IBM stock held at Janney (due to high maintenance fees). We will transfer the funds from the liquidated Janney account and the funds in the Memorial Fund and the Capital Fund to the DIT where we receive a higher interest rate. We accepted the Treasurer's Report.

Upcoming events:

- We will hold our annual service at St. Matthew's on Sunday, July 21st at 10:00 a.m. There will be no service at St. Paul's that Sunday.

Next meeting: Thursday, August 8, 2019

## July 21<sup>st</sup> Service to be held at St. Matthews



Don't forget, St. Paul's Church Service for July 21<sup>st</sup> will be held at Historic St. Matthews in Stevensville. The service will be at 10:00am. St. Matthews's is located west of Montrose on Rt. 706.



### Food Distribution

The monthly food distribution at the Methodist Church took place on Friday, July 12th. Food was given out to 248 households including 132 children and 180 seniors. Over 60 volunteers showed up to help. The next distribution is August 12th. Come and volunteer, it's fun.

### 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 those who celebrate their birthdays this past 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.*

**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.

**Women's Resource Wish List** The Women's Resource Center is in need of donations of the following items: Reusable Grocery Bags; Gift Cards (Pump and Pantry, Price Chopper) Full sized Hair Conditioner; Feminine Care Products; Laundry Baskets; Journals; Pens; Stationary; New Towels.

\*Please only donate full-sized items. Travel or sample sized items are appreciated, but are too small for the families we serve.

Donations may be brought to the Susquehanna County Independent office, 231 Church St., Montrose; or placed in the drop box located in the lobby of the Susquehanna County Courthouse, Lake Ave., Montrose.

We also have a basket at St. Paul's Church for donations.

**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."

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

**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!

**3 Photos this week.**

## Country Store

While it's a long way off yet, it's not too early to start bringing in items for St. Paul's Country Store. Take a look at those unused items which have been collecting dust in all those nooks and crannies and bring them in. We store them in a room upstairs until the big day.



## Happy Birthday Maggie

Last Sunday Maggie Sock received birthday blessings from Fr. John. Maggie was turned in by everybody. "O God, our times are in your hands...."



# STEWARDSHIP

## A puzzle of many pieces!

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

