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 28 - Aug 3, 2019 Upcoming Events

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

Sun. July 28 Sunday Eucharist at 10:00am with Rev. John Wagner

Readings for Sunday

First Reading: Genesis 18:20-32

Psalm: 138

Epistle: Colossians 2:6-15, (16-19)

Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

This Week's Lay Ministers:

Altar Guild: Carol Marker, Barb Undercoffler &

Nancy Dooling Announcements:

Acolyte: Benjamin Zalewski or Sean Eckert Counters: Maggie Sock & Richard Marker

Chalice Bearer: Esther Welden Lector: Karen Blye-McAbee Intercessor: Vickie Calby

Greeter/Usher: Sandy Seeger & Marsha Jones

Hospitality: Nancy Dooling & Karen Blye-

McAbee

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: Carol Arnold; James & Elizabeth Bailey; Margaret Baker; Benson, Rachel, Maximus & Lucas Bartron

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



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.

NEW WANTED AD FOR SLEEPING BAG MINISTRY

Summer will end faster than we know and when cleaning out your closets please note what you might contribute to our most needed:

Warm Blankets
Flat Bed Sheets
Fabrics (must be at least 1 yard square)

and most of all......we are in need of a Sewing Machine in working condition that will allow us to produce sleeping bags much faster. We will gladly pick up your machine for convenience. Thank you. We meet the second Wednesday and second Saturday of every month at 1:00 downstairs in Room #1. Hope you will join us soon.

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.

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.

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

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.

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!

8 Photos this week.

Presentation of Photograph

On April 27th, a dinner was held at St. Paul's by the congregants of our three churches to honor Fr Charles Cesaretti in appreciation of his faithful service over the years. The photograph taken of Fr Charles and the participants was presented this week.



Summer Said Service at St. Matthews on Sunday July 21

Arrival time with many families choosing the balcony.



Chaplin Commander William Holiman sends a welcome to the congregation for his third year at St. Matthew's summer session.



Pewter Communion set from 1849 belonging to St Matthew's was once again used.



Chaplin Commander Holiman captivated a full church of 78 people including 15 to 20 children who sat on both sides of the balcony with their parents. It was again a service of special meaning for everyone and always looking forward to another year when we can return.



Kitchen Lights

If it looks brighter in the kitchen lately, it's because it is. When Jerry Sock arrived for a Bible class last month, he found the light hanging. Since they were the older ballast lights, we replaced them with new, low energy LED lights. Thanks to John Finlon for putting them in.



State Highway Inspectors at St. Paul's

On July 18th, the State Highway Department sent inspectors to figure out how to stop SR706 road water runoff from running down St. Paul's sidewalks. Loni Shalkowski and Brian Small from the state, Janenne Goliath from Senator Yaw's office, Kenny DiPhilips from the Borough and John and Dan from St. Paul's met. The Highway folks came up with some ideas and plan to implement them before winter. Thanks to Senator Gene Yaw for arranging the meeting.



STEWARDSHIP

A puzzle of many pieces!

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

