

**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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Mar 15 - 21, 2020 Upcoming Events

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

- Vestry Meeting Thu. Mar. 12 at 5:30pm
- DOK Meeting Sat. Mar. 14 at 10:00am
- Sleeping Bags Sat. Mar. 14 at 1:00pm
- Sun. Mar 15 Holy Eucharist at 10:00am
with Fr. Arthur L. Jones, III
- Lent Bible Study & Supper Tue. Mar 17,
Mar 24 & Mar 31 at 5:30pm
- Order of St. Luke R1 Thursdays at
2:00pm

This Week's Lay Ministers:

Altar Guild: Vera Dunn, Karen Blye-McAbee &
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: Stephanie Calby

Intercessor: Nancy Dooling

Greeter/Usher: Sandy Seeger & Marsha Jones

Readings for Sunday

First Reading: Exodus 17:1-7

Psalm: 95

Epistle: Romans 5:1-11

Gospel: John 4:5-42

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



Envelopes for Easter Flowers are available
at the back of the church. Easter Lilies are
\$21.00. I will need all envelopes to the office by
Sun. April 5th for Memorials to be in the
Easter Sunday Bulletin.



Mobile Food Pantry

As you know, St. Paul's supplies the money for
bread through our weekly collections in the
"bread basket." Mar. 13 will be the next
distribution, which is at the Methodist Church, it
is run by volunteers and can always use some
help.

Acolyte Training and Thurifer Training

The Rev. Jennifer "Jenny" Scott -- Priest in
Charge at Grace Episcopal Church in Elmira,
NY -- will be offering Acolyte Training and
Thurifer Training on Thursday, March 26th at
4:00pm at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in New
Milford. Anyone interested in either being
trained as an Acolyte or as a Thurifer should

plan to come and take part. The training session is FREE; and should only last between 60 to 90 minutes. Interested persons are asked to RSVP by speaking to either Father Arthur or the Senior Warden at their parish.

Baptism and/or Confirmation

Anyone who is interested in either being baptized or being confirmed are asked to RSVP by speaking to either Father Arthur or the Senior Warden at their parish. Ideal times for either Baptism and/or Confirmation to the Church are rapidly approaching: Holy Week, Pentecost, and Bishop Kevin Nichols' visit in late June. Inquirer's classes -- designed to teach people what it means to be an Episcopalian -- will be offered for six weeks prior to Confirmation and Baptism.

Bishop Visits

The Rt. Rev. Kevin Nichols -- the Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Bethlehem PA -- will be visiting St. Mark's Episcopal Church on Saturday, June 20th at 5pm; and visiting Christ Episcopal Church on Sunday, June 21st at 11:00am. Please make plans to attend one of those services as we love Bishop Kevin and he loves us. Come and be a part of the family, food, fun, and affirmation of our faith with our Bishop!

St. Paul's Church History for Sale

The 150 page *A History of St. Paul's Church, Montrose, Pennsylvania 1831-2019* is for sale in the office for \$20.00. All proceeds will go to St. Paul's. It presents the history of the of Episcopalian beginnings in Montrose in the early 1800s and the establishment and growth of St. Paul's parish and ends with the calling of Fr. Arthur in 2019. If you would like a copy see Betty.

For those who are ill or have requested our prayers: Margaret Burgh, Kathy Warriner, Joe Welden, Naomi Bennett, Justin, Rita Leigh, Fr. John Wagner & Eric.

St. Paul's Cycle of Prayer: Robert & Renee Kimmell; Robert & Janet Kuhn; Steve, Martha & Kyle Kupscznk; Carol & Jack Lasher

Social Night

Social Night will be at Cathy Hammons residence on Friday, March 13 starting at 6:30pm.

Irish Music at Presbyterian Church

On Sunday, March 15th at 2:00, the First Presbyterian Church of Montrose, will present Irish Music by Charlene Thompson and Johanna and Tim Masters. There will be a potato bake with toppings to follow. There is no charge for this event and this afternoon of fun is open to everyone.

St. Paul's Service Schedule

St. Paul's will have a Sat. evening service at 5 p.m. on the FIRST weekend of every month and no Sun. service that weekend. We will hold our regular service at 10 a.m. on the SECOND, THIRD, and FOURTH Sundays. Any FIFTH Sundays, we will gather with Christ Church at St. Mark's in New Milford at 10 a.m.

Our collections for the Trehab Food Bank & Women's Resource Center are the Evening Service on the First Saturday of every month. Blessings and thanks for your support and participation.

Our thanksgivings: We give thanks for Betty Smith, Gregory Maxey, Edgar Warriner and Katherine Warriner who celebrate their birthdays this week. *O God, look with favor, we pray, as Betty, Gregory, Edgar & Katherine 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 or Non-Emergency

Contact: you can call the parish office during office hours. After hours call Arthur Jones at 570-665-1707 or email him at JonesAL0@sewanee.com

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!

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

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

3 Photos this week.

Lent 2

And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

Last Sunday was the second Sunday of Lent.

Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed, For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid

Sunday Origami Class



After church on Sunday, there was an Origami Class. Nancy Dooling was the instructor and all of the participants appear to be pleased with their creations. It was a lot of fun also.

Lenten Bible Study

Bible Study continues weekly during Lent. Each Tuesday in March we gather for supper and a study of the scripture lessons of the next week's lectionary. The study is led by our Priest-in-Charge, the Rev. Arthur Jones. A simple meal of soup, bread, and salad is served at 5:30 and we start the study at 6:00 and finish by 7:00. Come and join us.



Coats for Community



While Coats for the Community distributes coats in Susquehanna County from October to December, they collect coats all through the year. John Finlon said that we purchase about 600 kid's coats at Salvation Army on half-price Wednesdays. So, if you take a peak in Room 2 in the basement, you will see the coats being separated and getting ready to be put in tubs and bags for fall distribution. We are always collecting coats, so take a peak in your closet and see if you have any extras.