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Mission Statement for St. Paul's: To proclaim God's love by word and example and to seek Christ in one another.

May 9 - 15, 2021

Morning Prayer Sunday May 9 at 10:00AM

Watch live streamed on YouTube. Go to St. Paul's website http://stpaulschurchmontrose.org

and click this red button on the front page, which takes you to our YouTube page.



This Week's Lay Ministers:

Altar Guild: Mary & Ben Zalewski

Officiant: John Warriner

Announcements & Lector: Vickie Calby Camera & Broadcast: Andrew Wurth

Readings for Sunday

First Reading: Acts 10:44-48

Psalm: 98

Epistle: 1 John 5:1-6 Gospel: John 15:9-17

"VIEW FROM THE PEW"

Charlie Chaplin lived 88 years He left us 4 statements:

- 1. Nothing is forever in this world, not even our problems.
- 2. I love walking in the rain because no one can see my tears.

- 3. The most lost day in life is the day we don't laugh.
- 4. Seven best doctors in the world...
 - 1 The Sun
 - 2 Rest
 - 3 Exercise
 - 4 Diet
 - 5 Self respect
 - 6 Friends
 - 7 Prayer

Stick to them at all stages of your life and enjoy a healthy life...

If you see the moon, you will see the beauty of God...

If you see the sun, you will see the power of God..

If you see a mirror, you will see God's best creation. So believe it.

We are all tourists. God is our travel agent who has already identified our routes, bookings and destinations...trust him and enjoy life

Life is just a journey!

Therefore, live today!

Tomorrow may not be.

Know he is with you always

Sandra Seeger

MONTHLY FOOD DISTRIBUTION SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY

First Wednesday of the Month: Free Soup Dinner St. Paul's Episcopal Church 4:30-6:00 p.m.

Second Friday of the Month: Montrose Mobile Food Pantry South Montrose Community Church 11:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Registration required by calling 570-533-3980

Third Monday of the Month: Free Soup Dinner South Montrose Community Church 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Fourth Friday of the Month: Food Distribution Endless Mountains Health Care 2:00-4:00 p.m. Registration required by calling 570-278-5529 or email at mrobinson@endlesscare.org

Please note that the Free Soup Dinners are take-out only during the pandemic

For those who are ill or have requested our prayers: Margaret Burgh, Kathy Warriner, Naomi Bennett, Rita Leigh, Charlotte Eckert, Nancy Finlon, Patrick Gallagher, Johanna Masters & Jeannine Ball.

Birthdays for May: Richard Marker 5/10, Scott Finlon 5/14, Carole Canfield 5/23, Gaby Warriner 5/26, Katherine Syle 5/28, Lucas Bartron 5/29 & Jerry Sock 5/29.

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

The Gospel – I am the vine

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples." (John 15:1-8)

Our thanksgivings: We give thanks for those who celebrate their birthdays this week. O God, our times are in your hand: look with favor, we pray, on your servants 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 lives. 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 Lynne Graham 570-934-1160.

Your tithes and pledges can be mailed to the church office at 276 Church St., Montrose, PA 18801.

10 Photos this week.

THIS WEEK

May 2nd Service

Church indoor services are still suspended. The May 2nd live-streamed Morning Prayer Service was led by Vickie Calby. The readings were done by Lynne Graham. Cathy Hammons played the organ Prelude, Organ Meditation and Postlude. As with all our live-streamed services, you can watch it any time on YouTube. Just go to the web page and click on the red button.





Hometown Heros

For the past two weeks, pictures of Montrose's "Hometown Heroes" were hung on the town's telephone poles. The program, headed, by the Kiwanis Club, made posters of anyone from town who had served in the armed forces. The pictures will stay up for two years and then will be given to the family. Joe Welden's WWII Navy picture was hung on the pole across from his and Esther's house on Church St. If anyone knows of any other St. Paul's parishioners whose pictures are hanging, please let Dan know and he will take a picture of them.



Thanks for Your Service During the Pandemic

On Saturday, May 1st, the Montrose CommUNITY group hosted a thank you to all the Medical, Police and EMT professionals who provided service during the pandemic. St. Paul's parishioners were well represented as helpers. It was a beautiful day, the sun was glorious, and the hot dogs were tasty and grilled over an open fire. Besides those in the photo, Jack and Carol Lasher, Stephanie and Scott, and Ellen Ely were there.





St. Paul's Drive-Through Soup Night

On Wednesday, May 5th, St. Paul's hosted our monthly free soup night. As you know, four parishioners make a pot of soup each month for distribution. Also included are a salad, roll and a cookie. This month's selection was Vegetarian Vegetable and Chili. We usually try to have a meat and non-meat soup choice. We have more customers every month and we gave out all our soup this time. Our biggest customers are the folks at the Square. They get a sign-up sheet the week before and we make a delivery. Volunteers are always welcome.



May In Susquehanna County

"The world's favorite season is the spring. All things seem possible in May."

It's been wet this week and the grass is growing like gang busters. Dave cut St. Paul's for the first time. The tulips and other mid-season bulbs are showing their stuff and Church Street's azaleas are blooming. The heavily blossomed apple trees suggest it will be a good harvest this year -- the deer will be happy. The nurseries call to us to come see their wares – all those different kinds of tomatoes, flowers, veggies that are ready for your gardens and house. Susquehanna County can't be beat this time of year.







Think Spring – we have this to look forward to!

