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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.

### Jan. 23 - 29, 2022

In person worship or you can 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.

**Bible Study 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursdays.** We will start with a light supper at 5:00 provided on a rotating basis by one of the members of the group.

### This Week's Lay Ministers:

Altar Guild: Mary & Ben Zalewski  
Officiant: Rev. Elizabeth Grohowski  
Announcements: Lynne Graham  
Camera & Broadcast: Andrew Wurth  
Lector: Tom Undercoffler

### Readings for this Week

First Reading: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10  
Psalm: 19  
Epistle: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a  
Gospel: Luke 4:14-21



### View from the Pew

GRANDMA'S HOUSE.

#### Anonymous

"Mom, can I sleep at Grandma's tonight?  
I heard in the car, this morning...  
When I managed to turn around, to see my child, it made me go back to the past, with just one sentence...  
She was no longer within my reach.

I travelled far... When did time go by and make us adults full of boring priorities? We fight every day, for something we're not even sure we really want. When in fact, grandma's house is what everyone needs to be happy. Grandma's house, is where the hands of the clock take a vacation with us and the minutes unhurriedly arrive.

Grandma's house is where a simple pasta and homemade bread seem to have different flavors, delicious... Grandma's house is where an innocent afternoon, can last for an eternity of games and fantasies. Grandma's house is where the cupboards hide old clothes and mysterious tools. Grandma's house is where the closed boxes become chests of secret treasures, ready to be unveiled.

Grandma's house is where toys rarely come ready, they are invented on the spot. Grandma's house, is where everything is mysteriously possible, magic happens and without worries. Grandma's house is where we find the remains of our parents' childhood and the beginning of our lives.

Grandma's house, on the inside, is the address of our deepest affection, where everything is allowed. That luxury no longer belongs to me – unfortunately – it will live with me, only in memories. Even so, if I could place an order now... any order of all orders in the world, I would order the same thing... Can I sleep at Grandma's tonight?

- Submitted by Martha Cobb



### GRIEF GROUP SCHEDULE FOR 2022

The dates listed below are available for men and women groups,

dependent on the need at that time.

#### **Montrose Location (Tuesday) - 526 Church Street, Auditorium**

March 15<sup>th</sup> – April 19<sup>th</sup>

May 17<sup>th</sup> – June 21<sup>st</sup>

August 22<sup>nd</sup> – Sept 27<sup>th</sup>

October 24<sup>th</sup> – November 29<sup>th</sup>

#### **Susquehanna Location (Wednesday) – 695 Jackson Avenue**

March 16<sup>th</sup> – April 20<sup>th</sup>

May 18<sup>th</sup> – June 22<sup>nd</sup>

August 23<sup>rd</sup> – September 28<sup>th</sup>

October 25<sup>th</sup> – November 30<sup>th</sup>

If interested in attending, please call Ginny at 570-278-1776

or email [edconsultant@interfaithsc.org](mailto:edconsultant@interfaithsc.org)

**Birthdays for January:** Nathaniel Syle 1/20, David Calby 1/24 & Marsha Jones 1/26.

### **Pastoral Emergency or Non-Emergency**

**Contact:** you can call the parish office during office hours. After hours call Deacon Liz 212-222-8109.



**Reminder with winter** comes winter weather!. This is just the annual reminder to say: if there is ice or snow and there is a question about church being canceled, listen to WPEL at 96.5 FM.

**First Wednesday of the Month on Feb. 2nd:** Free Soup Dinner at St. Paul's Episcopal Church from 3:30-5:00 p.m. **Please note** that the Free Dinners are take-out only.

**For those who are ill or have requested our prayers:** Margaret Burgh, Naomi Bennett, Rita Leigh, Charlotte Eckert, Nancy Finlon, Johanna Masters, Jeannine Ball, Sandy Nagy, Ray Arcario, Addie Evans, Carol Marker & Ellen Ely.

**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.*



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**12 Photos this week.**

**Second Sunday After Epiphany, January 16<sup>th</sup>**

**How bright appears the Morning Star,  
with mercy beaming from afar;  
the host of heav'en rejoices.  
O Righteous Branch, O Jesse's Rod,  
the Son of Man and Son of God,  
we too will lift our voices:  
Jesus, Jesus, holy, holy, yet most lowly,  
come, draw near us;  
great Emmanuel, come and hear us.**

#### **THE GOSPEL- the first of his signs**

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him. (*John 2:1-11*)

#### **Deacon Liz, View From the Pulpit**

We asked Deacon Liz to share a biographical sketch of herself to help us get to know her. She provided the following:

The Rev. Elizabeth Grohowski is a native of New York. She was ordained to the Sacred Order of Deacons in July of 2021; St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Montrose, PA is her first position in ordained ministry.

Deacon Liz graduated from the School of Theology at The University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee in May of 2021 with a Master of Divinity degree. Her academic interest at Sewanee was in the history of women in ministry up to and including the ordination of women as deacons, priests, and bishops. While at Sewanee, she was active on the pastoral care committee, sang with the Schola choir, and was appointed the head of the thurifers' guild, the St. Florian Guild. In her senior year, she was awarded a study grant to attend St. George's College in Jerusalem, Israel.

Prior to seminary, Deacon Liz was an active lay leader in the church. She was a mentor of an Education for Ministry (EfM) group, was involved in the New York Episcopal Cursillo movement, served in various aspects of ministry, and assisted in leading a centering prayer group. She participated in mission trips to Mexico and completed the Compostela di Santiago in 2015. She has a strong interest in pastoral care, adult formation, and spiritual direction, and has trained in music healing. She completed a unit of Clinical Pastoral Education at Reading Hospital in which she concentrated on end-of-life spiritual care.

Before discerning a call to ordained ministry, Deacon Liz worked in higher education administration and educational services for Math for America, as assistant to the president of the Auburn Theological Seminary at Union, and for her alma mater, The Manhattan School of Music. In her artistic work in the field of music, she worked for 30 years as a professional opera singer. She sang primarily with opera companies in the United States, including The Metropolitan Opera and The Lyric Opera of Chicago, as well as several other major opera companies. The furthest her singing took her from home was Japan in the summer of 2001 where she worked under the baton of Seiji Osawa, former music director of the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

In addition to her degree from The University of the South, she holds a Bachelor of Music degree in Opera, cum laude from the Hartt School of Music at The University of Hartford, Hartford, Connecticut, a Master of Music degree in Classical Vocal Performance from The Manhattan School of Music in New York, New York, and was a young artist at The Juilliard Opera Center in New York, New York.

Deacon Liz enjoys travel, decorating and design, knitting, and going to the movies.

## **THIS WEEK**

### **January 16th Service**

It was a fidget morning and those who came braved the cold. The January 16th live-streamed 10:00 Deacon's Mass was led by Deacon Liz. Lynne Graham did announcements and Vickie Calby was the lector. Cathy Hammons played the organ Prelude, Organ Meditation and Postlude, *Beautiful Savior*, along with four hymns. Our live-streamed services can be watched live or any time on YouTube.

### **Mobile Food Pantry**

January 14<sup>th</sup>. As you probably know by now, the second Friday of the month is when the Mobile Food Pantry in South Montrose gives out food. It is back at the Community Church lot on 29 south and goes from 11:30 until 3:00. It was a cold one this week and without the church building to go



into to get warm, they had a pit fire. If you wonder where the bread money we collect goes, stop and take a look. Deacon Liz stopped over. Over 205 families were helped.



### **Parish Hall Leak Damage Fixed**

This November, Weather Master Roofing fixed the long-standing leak above the large window in the Parish Hall. Consequently, we were able to repair the plaster damage and repaint the entire wall. It took two days, but you can't tell that it was ever damaged.



### **Annual Meeting Held**

On Sunday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, St. Paul's held its 112<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting. Thank you to everyone who wrote reports and who attended on such a bitter cold day. We elected Karen Blye-McAbee to a second Vestry term and will fill the open position at a later date. Vera Dunn was elected as our delegate to Diocesan Convention with Dan Graham as the alternate delegate. John Finlon presented the 2022 budget.







## EARLY WINTER IN SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY

*In the bleak mid-winter, frosty wind made moan, earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone.* It was freezing all week. After complaining about the mud last week, we complained about the freezing cold this week. It snowed after the Annual Meeting on Sunday and the temperatures were below freezing for the first time this year. St Francis in the Memorial Garden has his snow hat back. Button up Montrose, winter is here.







### **OLD PICTURE OF THE AVE, 1906**

Where the picture last week looked east from this spot, this one looked up Public Ave. It predates the last one and was taken prior to automobiles. The fountain that was in the picture last time is shown with more clarity and town was a busy place that day. We were told that it is Vickie Calby as a little girl in the baby buggy at the front crosswalk.

