

276 Church Street, Montrose, PA 18801 Office 570-278-2954, Monday-Thursday 8:15am-3:00pm Click on link to email St. Paul's: <u>stpaulsmontrose@epix.net</u> Click on link to go to our Website: <u>http://stpaulschurchmontrose.org</u> Click on link to go to our Facebook Page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/stpaulsmontrose</u> Mission Statement for St. Paul's: To proclaim God's love by word and example and

to seek Christ in one another.



June 6 – June 12, 2022 In person worship or you can watch live streamed on YouTube. Go to St. Paul's website <u>http://stpaulschurchmontrose.org</u> and click this red button • on the front page, which takes you to our YouTube page.

## **Readings for this Week:**

First Reading: Acts 2:1-21 Psalm: 104:25-35, 37 The Epistle: Romans 8:14-17 Gospel: John 14:8-17

## This Week's Ministers:

Altar Guild: Karen Blye & Vera Dunn Celebrant: The Rev. Elizabeth Grohowski Announcements: Lynne Graham Organist: Cathy Hammons Camera & Broadcast: Andrew Wurth Lector: Lynne Graham

## **Birthdays for June:**

Rita Leigh 6/10, Cathy Hammons 6/10, Ben Zalewski 6/17, Lynne Graham 6/18, John Lasher 6/20, Mary Zalewski 6/21, Margaret Baker 6/24

## View from the Pew

"Why are you crying?", a young boy asked his Mom. "Because I'm a woman," she told him. "I don't understand," he said. His Mom just hugged him and said, "And you never will, but that's O.K."...

Later the little boy asked his father, "Why does Mom seem to cry for no reason?". "All women cry for no reason," was all his Dad could say... The little boy grew up and became a man, still wondering why women cry. Finally he put in a call to God and when God got back to him, he asked "God, why do women cry so easily?" GOD answered ... "When I made woman, I de-cided she had to be special. I made her shoulders strong enough to carry the weight of the world, yet, made her arms gentle enough to give comfort... I gave her the inner strength to endure child-birth and the rejection that many times will come even from her own children. I gave her a hard-ness that allows her to keep going and take care of her family and friends, even when everyone else gives up, through sickness and fatigue without complaining... I gave her the sensitivity to love her children under any and all circumstances. Even when her child has hurt her badly... She has the very special power to make a child's boo-boo feel better and to quell a teenager's anxie-ties and fears... I gave her strength to care for her husband, despite faults, and I fashioned her from his rib to protect his heart... I gave her wisdom to know that a good husband never hurts his wife, but sometimes tests her strengths and her resolve to stand beside him unfalteringly. For all of this hard work, I also gave her a tear to shed. It is hers to use whenever needed and it is her only weakness."

"When you see her cry, tell her how much you love her, and all she does for everyone, and even though she may still cry, you will have made her heart feel good."

--A post from Grandma's Country Front Porch, April 11, 2022, shared by Martha Cobb

# Summer Concerts Come to Susquehanna County:

Join the Susquehanna Symphony Society for its 1st Annual Summer Chamber Music series at St. Paul's Church, Montrose. On Friday, June 10 at 7:00pm. In partnership with The Binghamton Philharmonic Orchestra. The Parlor City Celli will perform a program of music for cello quartet featuring music from Game of Thrones, Succession, and Power of the Dog. And on Saturday, June 17 at 7:00 pm, the Binghamton Philharmonic Percussion Trio performs virtuosic soundscapes for a diversity of instruments including "Memories of Alhambra" by Francisco Tárrega, "The Last Game" by Daiki Kato, and "Variations on a Ghanian Theme" by Daniel Levitan. Tickets are \$5 for each concert. Pay at the door. Seating is limited. For advance tickets and for more information, please call (570) 396-5813. Children and students 17 and under are free, courtesy of The Community Foundation of the Endless Mountains.

## Karen Miller

Karen L. Miller, long-time parishioner of St. Paul's died on May 10<sup>th</sup> after a long illness. She was interred in the columbarium on May 25, 2022. Her family is comforted to know that she is at peace, free of pain and physical restrictions, and expect that she is happy to be with those cherished family members who predeceased her.

Into you hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant, Karen. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive her into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light. Amen.

# For those who are ill or have requested our

**prayers:** Margaret Burgh, Naomi Bennett, Rita Leigh, Charlotte Eckert, Nancy Finlon, Jeannine Ball, Sandy Nagy, Addie Evans, Carol Marker, Ellen Ely, Rev. Janet Watrous & Suzanne Beamish.

#### **Pastoral Emergency or Non-Emergency Contact:** you can call the parish office during office hours. After hours, call Mother Liz 212-222-8109.

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

**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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# 7th SUNDAY AFTER EASTER - May 29th

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet your tribute bring. Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore his praises sing. Alleluia, alleluia! Praise the everlasting King!

# THE GOSPEL – I made your name known to them

Jesus prayed for his disciples, and then he said. "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I

have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even s you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

"Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which

you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! His the scepter, his the throne; Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone. Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion Thunder like a mighty flood. Jesus, out of every nation, Has redeemed us by his blood.

## View from the Pulpit –Mother Liz

This week is part one of a two-part series. Monday was Memorial Day. The day we honor those who gave the ultimate sacrifice for our country. Men and women who took an oath to protect America from all enemies, foreign and domestic. It is humbling to think of their service to the point of death for our way of life. I find myself at a loss words for words to describe the awe I feel at their sacrifice.

Then of course there is the sacrifice of their loved ones, the ones left behind who worry about them from the day they deploy to the day the officer arrives at their door to inform them of their loved one's death or the day they receive the telegram telling them of the same.

I am from one such family. My maternal grandfather, Captain Philip F. Uhlenbrock was a member of the US Army Air Corps: Group: 86th Squadron, 437th Troop Carrier Group in WWII. That was before the Air Force existed. He was a glider pilot which means he flew the plane (C-47) that towed reconnaissance gliders up so they could fly undetected behind enemy lines. He participated in the Normandy invasion and in Operation Market Garden.

He was an artist who loved to paint. He had always wanted to fly so when he graduated high school, he joined the Army and trained as a pilot. Before he deployed, he married my grandmother, Marcella (Sally) Bockwinkel, who was his high school sweetheart. A few months after he was transferred to Ramsgate, England they found out that my grandmother was expecting. My mother was born on February 4,1944.

He was delighted at the birth of his baby girl and longed to return home to meet her. But it was not to be. On September 17, 1944, while flying above enemy territory his plane was struck in the right wing by anti-aircraft fire, as well as taking damage to the cockpit. After catching on fire, the plane lost control and crashed in Bladel, the Netherlands. Most of the crew died in the crash, however one crew member survived and later relayed the details.

They had crashed in a farmer's field. The farmer buried the bodies of the deceased in his field so the Nazis would not find them. After the war he informed the US government of the burials, and the remains were disinterred and moved to a grave site in France. When notified of his place of rest my great-grandmother requested that his body be brought home to be buried in the family plot in St. Louis, MO. A decision she later regretted because it felt as though he died all over again.

One of the details from the report said that his right arm had been severed in the crash. Had he lived, the injury would have been a devastating one because he was right-handed. He would not have been able to paint the way he had before the war. My grandmother was never quite the same after his death. She hated Mondays because that was the day of the week she had been notified of his death. Every Monday she was blue, as my mother called it. And she hated tulips because he died in Holland. I did not any of this until I was an adult. My mother told me not to call grandma on Mondays because it was a sad day for her. And the tulips... well I made the mistake of ordering them for her for Mother's day one year.

My grandmother remarried when my mom was five. Grandpa Karl was a good man and loved her very much and he raised my mom like she was his own child, and he was a wonderful grandpa. They had a happy life, but my grandma never got over my birth grandfather, he had been the love of her life.

There are thousands of families like mine who have born the great loss of loved ones in war. Mothers, fathers, sons, daughters, husbands, wives, and on and on. For them, every day is Memorial day. They live lives forever changed by their loss. May their grief become bearable with the passing of time, and may they have faith that one day that will be reunited. This is my prayer.

# THIS WEEK May 29<sup>th</sup> Service

The May 29th live-streamed 10:00 Holy Eucharist Service was led by Mother Liz. Lynne Graham did the announcements and Cathy Hammons read as lector and also played the organ. The service included the Prelude and Postlude, along with four hymns. As you know, our livestreamed services can be watched live or any time on YouTube. Just go to our webpage and hit the red button. Coffee hour has been well attended.





## Memorial Day May 30<sup>th</sup>

It was Memorial Day on Monday the 30th. It marks the unofficial start of summer and a three-day weekend of barbecues, beach trips and other outdoor activities. Memorial Day was originally established during the Civil War. It honors those who have died in military service for the U.S. St. Paul's flag was flying as it does June 14 for Flag Day, July 4<sup>th</sup>, and November 11<sup>th</sup> Veteran's Day. There was a nice parade put on by the United Fire Company, although it was not as large as the July 4<sup>th</sup> one.

#### **Butter Cups**

The spring flower that all grandparents love is blooming. Hold a buttercup flower underneath a grandchild's chin, and if their neck lights up yellow (which it always does) then they like butter.



Soup Night – No It's Salad Night Wednesday, June 1st was the first Wednesday of the month and it's of course Soup night. Wait, it's Salad night. We won't do soup again until the fall. This week is ham and tuna salad. Of course additionally, the dinner included a roll, applesauce and dessert. We take orders from the Square and all other distribution is drive through.



# LATE MAY IN SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY

I thought that spring must last forevermore; For I was young and loved, and it was May. Dames rocket, or fake phlox has begun to appear on our roads and in the fields. While pretty, it is consided an invasive plant. Late May and early June is Iris time. While the flowers are short lived, they are worth waiting for. LaRue's fields are pink with wild flowers and worth driving to look at. And all bird boxes who were patiently waiting, now have tenents and have eggs in them. These are from a wren.







# July 4<sup>th</sup> Breakfast

As you know, St. Paul's is hosting the Community July 4<sup>th</sup> Breakfast. The proceeds will go to Stop the Sigma (Associated with Drug Addiction). Last year was a hit and we are expecting a similar turnout this year. If you haven't volunteered for any job yet but would like to help, let Lynne Graham know. See you there!



# 1890 Bird's Eye Map of Montrose

A trip back in time. Can you find St. Paul's?

