

Weekly Update

June 4- June 10



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Church Closures

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

View from the Pulpit:

Wednesday was the feast of the visitation of the blessed Virgin Mary in which Mary visits her cousin Elizabeth who is also pregnant (with John the Baptist). When Elizabeth sees Mary, she expresses her wonder that the mother of the Lord has come to see her. Mary is overcome with joy and sings a great song of praise, the Magnificat which means, my soul magnifies the Lord..

She says how the Lord is great, and her spirit is rejoicing in the news that has come from the angel Gabriel. She extols the depth of her faith and through her words we can surmise that she has been raised in a devout Jewish family and she believes in the God of her ancestors. She speaks of how the Lord has looked upon his lowly servant with favor and that because of his blessing upon her she will be exalted for generations to come.

She speaks of the wonderous things done for her ancestors, for her, and for all who believe. She recognizes God's mighty deeds and mercies given to the people of Israel. While she may be nervous about her situation, she knows that God is in control.

Finally, she speaks of how God has scattered the proud, exalted the lowly and fed the hungry with good things. He has used a poor young girl to bring the greatest gift to mankind. Our worth is not in our bank accounts but in the manner in which we share our blessings with those in need.

So let us, like Mary, have faith. Trust in our God. Remember that no matter what the circumstance, God has everything and everyone in his hands. May we strive to imitate the heart and mind of Mary in every situation.

I've had a request to remind folks of my office hours. I usually work Tuesday through Thursday, however, occasionally I need to shift days due to pastoral or ecclesiastical concerns. I am regularly at the church on Wednesdays. The best time of day to stop by is between 10:30-3 as both Kate and I are on site. It's always a good idea to call ahead to check on my availability so as not to have to wait for me to finish up with someone else or worse yet waste a trip into town.

View from the Pew:

To make the bread, you will need:

Andrews Bread

Flour (preferably bread flour, but any type works)
Salt (kosher salt is recommended, I think for measuring reasons)
Yeast (active dry yeast, either in a packet from the baking aisle or a jar from the refrigerated section)
Water

To be able to bake the bread, you will want some parchment paper and a dutch oven. If you don't have a dutch oven, experiment a little. The dutch oven protects the bread from direct heat so that the middle can bake completely without anything but the surface turning brown. If you protect the bread with a roaster pan, that might work (that's what I did before I had a dutch oven). Maybe just try a lower heat? Wal-Mart used to (and might still) have Pioneer Woman dutch ovens for 20\$. Don't spend too much on one, I know some places try to sell them for 120\$.

Also, the video recommends you measure the ingredients in grams, but you can absolutely estimate the ingredients and get a good bread dough. The main thing is water.

With this dough, you are leaving it overnight to ferment, but also to allow the water to unravel the proteins in the flour, a process called autolysing. This is the first step of kneading and the development of gluten, and allowing the water to do it for you means you only have to knead yourself for a little while. So, you want the dough to be sticky wet so the water can work and the dough will be tasty, but not super wet or 'loose', because you will need to form it into a dough ball by hand. It should kind of be like chewed chewing gum in terms of wetness.

So, after it's been able to hang out overnight, put down some parchment paper (wax paper can catch on fire, big difference) and flour it. Put the dough on and start wrapping it around itself until it becomes a smooth dough ball. Let that hang out while your oven preheats to whatever the video says (my oven doesn't work like a normal one, most of you will want around 350-400, maybe 450, and find out from there).

If you have a spray bottle, spray the bread with water, put it in for 20 minutes. Pull it out, spray it or don't, and put it back for 10 to 20 minutes depending on how it's coming along (again, my oven is different so sorry if you need to go longer, like 50 minutes total).

After that, let it cool an hour at least (the video says 2 but 1 is fine). Cutting it early messes with its moisture, as starches can absorb moisture while hot but once you cut it and the heat escapes it they are done, so the bread will be weird. Either way, that is about it.

I've added a lot of tips and warnings, but it's really a very easy and forgiving process. Maybe we can do a bread workshop after a service one day so everyone can learn.

https://youtu.be/Jizr6LR83Kk That link is where I learned from, and there is no part 2, that's a trick.

We would love for you to be included!

Article submissions (photos, community news items, or a personal or faith story) are due every Wednesday. This is YOUR newsletter, and all congregants are invited to share their stories and photos. Please email your items to Kate at stpaulsmontrose@epix.net or John Warriner at jdwarri@me.com; post an item to St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 276 Church St. Montrose, PA 18801 on Facebook; or drop a note in the offering plate.

Sundays Service





Readings for this Week:

First Reading: Genesis 1:1-2:4a

Psalm: 8

The Epistle: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

This week's Hymns:

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Holy God we praise thy Name Immortal, invisible, God only wise Holy Father, great Creator

This Week's Ministers:

Celebrant: The Rev. Elizabeth Grohowski

Altar Guild: Carol Lasher

Announcements: Lynne Graham

Lector: Vickie Calby

Organist:





This week's Gospel according to: Matthew

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Happenings and Announcements



Soup Night!

Come stop by the church June 4 to pick up some delicious soup or to lend a hand with our other soup helpers! We have a great time spreading Gods love by giving away our soup!

Stop the Stigma Meeting

Our group is meeting on June 6 to discuss planning the camp that we will be a part of hosting this summer for children of parents that have/had drug issues.



For those who are ill or have requested our prayers:

Margaret Burgh, Naomi Bennett, Rita Leigh, Nancy Finlon, Carol Marker, Ellen Ely, Rev. Janet Watrous, Edward, Victor, Ralph Bunnell.

Pastoral Emergency or Non-Emergency Contact:

You can call the parish office during office hours. After hours, call Mother Liz 212-222-8109.



This Months Birthdays:

Jerry Sock 5/29, Rita Leigh 6/10, Cathy Hammons 6/10, Ben Zalewski 6/17, Lynne Graham 6/18, Jack Lasher 6/20, Mary Zalewski 6/21



This Months Anniversaries:

Vickie & Dave Calby: June 9, 1973

Barb & Tom Undercoffler: June 22, 1962

Carol & Richard Marker: June 22, 1973

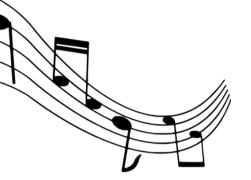
Our thanksgivings:

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.

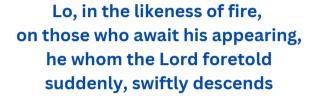
We give thanks for those celebrating wedding anniversaries this week. Grant o God, in your compassion, that those celebrating wedding anniversaries this week may live out the covenant they have made. May they grow in forgiveness, loyalty and love, and come at last to the eternal joys, which you have 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.

Last Week's Service and Events

LAST WEEK - The Sunday of Pentecost - May 28th, 2023



Hail, thee festival day!
Blest day to be hallowed for ever,
day wherein Christ arose,
breaking the kingdom of death.





The live-streamed 10:00 Holy Eucharist Service was led by Mother Liz. John Warriner read as lector. We were without our organist. Liz discussed Gather 23. The service included four hymns. As you know, our live-streamed services can be watched live or any time on YouTube. Just go to our webpage and hit the red button.





Dont forget to WEAR RED this
Sunday for Pentecost!

We wear RED to remind us of the fire of the Spirt!

Did You Wear Red This Past Sunday?



Anna Warriner Graduates

Here's a photo taken by some proud parents of Anna Warriner getting her Master's Degree from Rosemont College. Next time you see Anna congratulate her!

Sidewalk Sections Replaced

Temporary inconvenience, permanent improvement. Three different sections of St. Paul's sidewalks are being replaced this week by contractor Justin Peake. Justin does our plowing and shoveling in the winter. So if the orange netting is up, please use the Chestnut Street door. The work should be finished by Friday.

OUTING OF THE PRESBYTERIA AND EPISCOPAL SUNDAY SCHOOLS AT LAKE CAREY.

Tuesday was the day set for the members of both schools to picnic and make the hearts of all glad, but alas, the weather man did not deal as kindly as he had when the other schools took their outing.

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Owing to the threatning rain in the morning, the train did not leave until 10:45, arriving at the Lake at 12:20, when all, (but the busy few who prepared the bountiful dinner), took in the beautiful scenery, and delightful boat rides.

The managers of the grounds were as courteous gentlemen as one could wish, and did everything in their power to make our stay on the grounds as agreeable as possible.

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In fact, Mr. Wingert, general passenger agent for excursions of the Lehigh Valley R. R., is as agreeable a gentlemon to do business with as one could wish, and strove, though the storm clouds were according to pake the excursion very threatening, to make the excursion agreeable to all, which he certainly accomplished.

Superintendents F. A. Davies, of the Presbyterian, and W. H. Warner, of the Episcopal, came in for their share of praise for their untiring efforts for their respective schools, and all join in saying that it was one of the most enjoyable outings the schools ever had, and it is to be regretted that all who contemplated going, did not have a share in the pleasure.



In Days Gone By

The Montrose Democrat of August 4, 1904, had an interesting article about St. Paul's Sunday School outing. Combined with the Presbyterian Church school, the Lehigh Valley train that ran from Tunkhannock to Montrose took the kids to Lake Carey for the day. Sounds like a fun day of things gone by. The Sunday schools, the train and the Lake Carey picnic grounds are no longer around.

LATE MAY IN SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY

"Isn't it amazing how Spring wakes us to dig down in the earth and feel the dirt after winter's hibernation. Planting and watching something grow is a satisfaction not to be explained but lived." Still no rain and it's been hot all week. Buttercups have taken over our fields and farmers are doing their first haying. It's time to put the garden in, drought or not, just a little more watering needed. June is Iris month here and the tall German ones are just starting to bloom. A peek in the robin's nest in the Memorial Garden shows three little babies – nature's bringing new life.









