



ST. PAUL'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Weekly Update

June 29-July 5



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View from the Pulpit:

The Rev.
Susan Treanor

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

I am elated at the way this community cared for and about Harry and Wanda. This care continued and was evident in the preparation for Harry's celebration of life. I hope the love all of you had for both Harry and Wanda eased the pain that everyone felt at Harry's death. You exemplified Jesus' instruction to love our neighbor.

We are making some changes to the office hours. Averly is getting or has gotten to the stage where she sleeps less than her old normal, is very vocal and wants a lot of interaction. Her third tooth finally has appeared. Kate has arranged child care for her for four days a week. Kate's work schedule will be flexible in that if she has finished her work in three days, she will only work three days that week. If not finished she will have a four-day week. The office hour signs on the doors will reflect this summer schedule.

You may know that I will be on vacation until July 16th. I am flying to Dublin, will spend some time in the Long Room at Trinity College. This library, built (between 1712 and 1732) had a flat plaster ceiling and shelving for books on the lower level only, with an open gallery. By the 1850s these shelves had become completely full; largely as since 1801 the Library had been given the right to claim a free copy of every book published in Britain and Ireland. The library houses 200,000 books and many sculptures. This goes against what I thought about the Irish people in that I basically thought they were illiterate. I do not know if either my grandparents could read or write or ever went to school. I've told many of you that my father's answer to my questions about what it was to be Irish was: "You're not Irish, you're American." I am now fascinated by Irish Theology which rejects the idea of original sin and the idea that Jesus paid his life to ransom us. Celtic spirituality is also very centered in protecting creation.

After Dublin, I am driving to the west coast to the village where my grandfather grew up and farmed. I've been there once and want to see if I can arrange for the Celtic Cross where my great grandparents and other family members are buried in the town cemetery can be cleaned. Right now names are obscured by mold. I also hope to revisit some of the six or seven Maloney families who live on main street. All of whom say they were never related.

Week after that I am meeting some friends from Jeff. And we are spending a week exploring Wales with friends who have relocated there. I will try not to be exhausted when I come back home. I hope you have a wonderful July 4th celebration. I intend not to miss that next year.

Rev. Susan

View from the Pew: Dan Graham

Get Outta Here!

Mothers' and Fathers' Days always get me thinking about my parents. It's occurred to me often that it's hard for us I believe to think of them, or any of our elders, as ever being young or particularly in pre-Title IX days, mother's doing sports. They were always older, and always parents. We went to my youngest granddaughter's gymnastic regional event in Massachusetts this spring. While watching and taking multiple pictures and videos with our iPhones, I got to sit and talk with her older sister, now a sophomore, who runs track. She is apparently pretty good. I asked her how she was doing, what her times were, what events she liked the best, etc. As the conversation went on, I mentioned that Grammy used to run track and that's probably where she gets her talent from. She laughed: "Get outta here!"

Back track to 1957. My brother, who was five years older than I (World War II intervened), decided to run track in 9th grade. He told us this at the dinner table and explained how tryouts would work etc. My mother was pleased and mentioned nonchalantly that she had run track in high school. After an amazed look at each other across the table, my brother and I broke out into a fit of laughter. "Get outta here!" It never occurred to us that our mother was ever an athlete - mothers weren't athletes - mothers were mothers.

Well, that night, my mother disappeared into the attic and dug out her 1939 Homestead High School yearbook. Called the Homesteader, it was a gold-covered standard high school yearbook with all the usual sections. She made us sit down on the couch on either side of her and look at it. Annotated by her classmates with standard yearbook fare, "Good luck Jen," "You're the best," "We've been together since first grade," etc., there was one that said: "...he was a bum anyhow." (What was that all about?) Anyway, she turned the page to the Athletics section, and yup, by golly, that was her. There she was in a group picture of the 1938-39 Homestead High School women's track team with all the women in their funny-looking track uniforms. Track and basketball were apparently the only women's sports at the school. I had never seen a high school picture of her, but it was her. Letting us look, she turned the page to the back of the book to a smaller picture in a collage of athletes during games and, "There", she said, "me handing the baton to another track team member." The second one wasn't a great picture and you couldn't make out exactly who the runner was, but we believed her.

"Well, what do you think of your old mother now?" she said. "Hah!" We all laughed. We spent the rest of the night going through it, laughing at the annotations, the funny nicknames, the kids' clothes, and the girls' hairdos. As we looked through the book, she told stories about her classmates on the pages and about running on the team. And at the end of the night, my view of my mother had changed. Who would have thunk it - my Mom in a track uniform and a runner? I must admit, I still have trouble picturing it. In all the time I knew her, I never saw her run anywhere!

But fast forward back to Massachusetts. "Well, if you don't believe me go ask Grammy." So she did. She went up to her grandmother and asked her if she really ran track. "Yes, I did, mostly relays or long distance. I wasn't a sprinter like you. I was also on the girl's high school lacrosse team and played field hockey." "Oh, and I was on Pitt's field hockey team too." Next time you visit, I'll get out my yearbook. My granddaughter looked at me and I said, "Well, what do you think of your old Grammy now?" "Hah!" We both laughed. But I saw her a little later looking at her grandmother in a new light.

I guess the moral is if you did any sports before phone cameras were invented, and may need to prove it, you should make sure you know where those old yearbooks are.

Sundays Service

The Third Sunday After Pentecost

June
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Readings for this Week:

First Reading: 1 Kings 19:15-16,19-21

Response: Psalm 16

The Epistle: Galatians 5:1,13-25

Gospel: Luke 9:51-62

This Week's Ministers:

Preacher: The Rev Susan Treanor

Altar Guild: Vera Dunn

Announcements: John Warriner

Lector: Shelly Green

Hospitality: Sean & MaryAnn

This week's Hymns:

Christ is made the sure foundation

O Jesus, I have promised

Day by day, dear Lord

When Christ was lifted from the earth

This week's Gospel according to: Luke

When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

Happenings and Announcements

Soup Night!!

Soup Night in July will be moved to July 9th instead of the 2nd.

In recent years we have moved the July Soup night because it falls really close to our July 4th Breakfast.

This year is no different as they are only 2 days apart. We hope to see you at both!

July 4th Breakfast

Many hands make of light work!

We hope see you all for the 4th of July Breakfast!



For those who are ill or have requested our prayers:

Naomi Bennett, Rita Leigh, Nancy Finlon, Carol Marker, Richard Marker, Rich Nagy, John Pease, Rudy Mattes, Jim McGee, Carol Lasher, Elaine Petrzala, Janet Watrous, Christine Otto



This Months Birthdays:

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:

Barb & Tom Undercoffler

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

Second Sunday after Pentecost, June 22nd, 2025

Jerusalem, my happy home,
when shall I come to thee?
When shall my sorrows have an end?
Thy joys when shall I see?

The Second Sunday after Pentecost, June 22nd, 10:00 Holy Eucharist Service was led by the Rev. Susan Treanor. John Warriner read announcements and Lynne Graham served as lector. 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.



Rainbow on Sunday

After church on Sunday, there was a hard rainstorm, which many of us hit on the way home. It had a lot of wind and dumped a lot of rain. But at the end, there was a rainbow over St. Paul's and Montrose.



Harry's Farewell

About 150 people came to Harry's Celebration of Life Service on Saturday, the 21st. The church was packed and the parish hall was also. What a great service. Harry would have approved.



Barb and Tom's Anniversary

Tom and Barb celebrated their 63rd anniversary this week and Susan gave a blessing. That's quite an accomplishment.



Meadow View

It was the 3rd Wednesday of the month on the 18th, and we visited Meadow View. The residents there always enjoy our once a month visit and we got to spend time with our own Naomi Bennett. She looked great and sang with the best of them.



That's Some Fish!

Dominic Golden, John Warriner's grandson, is up visiting. He caught a seriously large blue gill and was quite pleased with himself. It is a big one.



Blast from the Past

Here's a great picture of Sandy and Al Leigh at a long ago event. Those were the days!



Are you hungry?
Breakfast is served! 

JOIN US BEFORE THE PARADE FOR EGGS, SAUSAGE & PANCAKES!  

July 4, 2025 | 8AM-10:30 AM
St Paul's Episcopal Church
\$10 for Adults
\$5 Children under 10

Proceeds from the Breakfast will go towards
"Stop the Stigma"
camp scholarship program.

Stop the Stigma!

July 4th Breakfast

Get ready – the July 4th breakfast is right around the corner. We need cooks and other helpers to make it a success. Let Lynne know if you can help.



LATE JUNE IN SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY

"Summertime and the living is easy. Catfish are jumping and the cotton is high." On Friday, June 20th, at 10:46 pm, the summer solstice arrived. Summer is here along with its sunsets. And with it came the hottest week we have had. Was in the 90s two days with a couple of hard rains. Native fox glove is blooming along with lots of summer flowers in the gardens. Watch out for female turtles, they are on the move laying their eggs. Here's a big snapper crossing the lawn. The wrens are ready to fly. It's summer here in Susquehanna County.

