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Weekly Update

May 18- May 24



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

Pastoral Emergency or Non-Emergency Contact:

You can call the parish office during office hours. After hours, call Susan Treanor at 845-800-0107.

Our Vestry Members

John Warriner, Sr. Warden John Finlon, Treasurer Vera Dunn Sandy Seeger

Donations You can mail your tithes & pledges to the church office at 276 Church St., Montrose, PA 18801

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: The Rev. Susan Treanor

My goal in being your priest (not in order of priority) is:

- Provide worship services
- Support a healthy and loving community
- Deepen relationships with and questioning God, the St Paul's community and the wider community.
- Help you design and implement outreach activities to meet to embody God's love for our community and follow Christ's command to love all our neighbors.

Today I want to address a part of #2 by talking about communication.

- Texting is the least helpful means of communication available to us. It is only good for questions like what time is the Sunday Service. It causes damage to our community for a conversation that starts with "What are we going to do about this problem." For this type of question among us the response should be " Let's talk" or there is a meeting about that on Thursday. Why don't you come?
- Issues on which you have an opinion or strong feelings about should never be discussed by texting.
- Please let's make this a policy. Texting is easy but often creates havoc and is not how to best deepen our community.

In love,

Rev. Susan

Sundays Service May 18 Fifth Sunday of Easter

Readings for this Week:

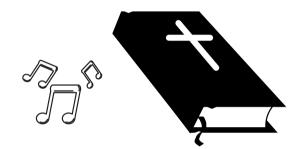
First Reading: Acts 11:1-18 Psalm: 148 The Epistle: Revelation 21:1-6 Gospel: John 13:31-35

This week's Hymns:

I come with joy to meet my Lord When Christ was lifted from the earth Where charity and love prevail In Christ there is no east or west Come my Way, my Truth, my Life

This Week's Ministers:

Preacher: The Rev Susan Treanor Altar Guild: Carol Lasher Announcements: John Warriner Lector: Shelly Green Hospitality:



This week's Gospel according to: John

At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Happenings and Announcements

- On Tuesday at 3 PM, Convocation I will be meeting at Church of the Redeemer in Sayre with Bishop Kevin. All are welcome to attend and leadership is recommended.
- Sleeping bags ministry will meet on Wednesday at 10.
- Vestry meeting on Thursday at 5.
- Next Sunday at 3, the Susquehanna Symphony Society will sponsor area school student musicians for the first scholarship performance awarded to a high school senior. This will be hosted by Saint Paul's here in the Parish Hall. Request snacks to be brought in for the performance. Contact John or Lynne.
- Soup night was another success this week. June 4th will be the next time. Soup makers and volunteers are needed to help bag up and distribute.
- Keep your ears to the ground as we are in the need for an organist.
- Schedule a meeting with Rev. Susan if you haven't done so already so she can get to know you. See Kate to schedule this. Don't forget your name tags.
- We had our second fundraiser meeting for Harry and Wanda. Next meeting will be at 5:00 after soup night on June 4th.



For those who are ill or have requested our prayers:

Naomi Bennett, Rita Leigh, Nancy Finlon, Carol Marker, Harry Peirce, Rich Nagy, John Pease, Rudy Mattes, Jim Mcgee



This Months Birthdays:

Bob Kimmel 5/1, Harry Peirce 5/9, Richard Marker 5/10, Gaby Warriner 5/26, Kate Aukema 5/27, Jerry Sock 5/29



This Months Anniversaries:

No Anniversaries this month!

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 Fourth Sunday of Easter, May 11, 2025

The Fourth Sunday of Easter, May 11th, 10:00 00 Holy Eucharist Service was led by the Rev. Susan Treanor. Vickie Calby read announcements and Ellen Ely 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.



St. Paul's Coffee Pot Traditions

We have such a nice coffee set up, someone asked why we have such "rustic" coffee indicators. What happened was when we were redoing the kitchen in 2017, one of the contractors, who liked decaf coffee, wanted to mark the two pots. So, he cut a piece of lath from the 1927 wall and marked them. Since they are kind of neat, we just left them and keep using them. Tradition!



Leak

Uh-oh, we have a leak above the ramp door. We have had Weather Master roofers fix it twice, mostly as a result of the snow, but it wasn't snow this time. Just the amount of rain we have been having lately. Oh well, we will get it fixed.



Painting Class

It's always fun to stop in and see what's going on in the Adult School Painting classes in the Celtic Room. Here's a beautiful one that a painter was just working on. Really top notch. Take a peek!





John Finlon's Volunteer Service Recognized

Our own John Finlon appeared on the front page of the Susquehanna Independent this week recognizing his volunteer service here at St. Paul's, at the Elk Lake Fire Company and for his efforts in coordinating the Coats for Our Community Program. If you see John congratulate him for an honor well deserved.



New Photograph

A new photograph was just added to our wall of prior rectors. Thanks to Vera Dunn, Mother Liz's picture was framed and hung on the wall in the Guild Room. It's a good likeness.



Susquehanna Morning

The year's at the spring, And day's at the morn; Morning's at seven; The hill-side's dewpearled; The lark's on the wing; The snail's on the thorn; God's in his Heaven-All's right with the world!



Convocation I

On May 13th of this week, at 3 PM, Convocation I met at Church of the Redeemer in Sayre. Bishop Kevin and Canon Melinda Artman were there to give some updates to the reunification process of the dioceses of Bethlehem and Central Pennsylvania and other diocesan news. Susan and John Warriner attended for St. Paul's.



A Benefit for Harry and Wanda

As you may have already heard, the "Friends of Harry" have decided to hold a benefit for the Peirces. The Montrose VFW has been reserved for Jun 13th. Dinner will be served 5:00 to 6:30 and Kelly and Sue Pratt will perform Irish music at 7:00. Richard Marker has designed a flyer that will be distributed ASAP. Silent Auction donations are requested. Tickets will be \$30 or \$55 a couple. Contact Lynne at 570-396-7612 to make reservations. We hope that you will join us and will bring as many friends as possible. We plan a really fun night and one that will help Harry and Wanda.

MID-MAY IN SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY

"You can cut all the flowers but you cannot keep Spring from coming.." Gorgeous sunrises, when it's not raining. Its' been another wet week. A black snake made its appearance as well as a Red Newt. Lot's of new wild flowers every week including wild strawberries and violets. The rain is producing a lot of different kinds of fungi. It's spring here.

