

ST. PAUL'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Weekly Update

August 10- August 16



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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 The Rev. Susan Treanor at 845-800-0107.

Our Vestry Members

John Warriner, Sr. Warden

Lynne Graham, Jr. Warden

John Finlon, Treasurer

Wanda Peirce, Clerk

Vera Dunn

Dan Graham

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

Dear all,

I'm currently considering our communication methods and reviewing our bulletin boards. My assessment is that we put important information on the large bulletin board in the guild room. The problem with that is it was too crowded, unorganized and no one ever went in the room to look at it anyway. So it is now practically vacant.

I cleaned it off (rather I asked Kate to clean it off), John has put the May and June vestry minutes on it. My opinion is that these documents are important. The fact that the Vestry talks about issues, makes decisions and tries to keep you informed is not unique to us as a parish or a church but it is something I want to protect. So, I am moving things around. I want to use the current bulletin board in the parish hall for Vestry information and ministry info: i.e. Soup nite, movie and game nights, sleeping bags and Coffee hour sign-ups. Coffee hour is a ministry that helps us connect to each other.

I am also adding another bulletin board which I hope you will check. It will be a running commentary on communication and eventually will evolve into a spreadsheet on who to connect with to voice ideas or concerns about our ministries and the ways we live out our relationship with Christ and each other. This new board will be in the Parish hall once we make room for it.

Tom U came home from the hospital today. I know people have been praying for him and Barbara. It is time now to DO something for them. As you know, Barbara has been in charge of the altar guild. She needs to reduce her time and commitment to that ministry. We need to support Barbara and Tom by taking up the slack. So I am asking other altar guild members and all of us, both men and women to see if you can help. I have never been a fan of eliminating men or women from jobs because of their gender. Firefighters, soldiers and priests can be women. Men can rear children on their own, be nurses and members of the altar guild. So, please let me or Barbara hear from you.

About Compline, I was forced to cancel starting it last night because the church's email list seemed to have disappeared and I could not find my version. We are back in business now. Before I send you the invitation, I will try a dry run with Kate so I can see if there are any issues with you connecting to an invitation. If this dry run works, I will send the invitation to you on Tuesday, the 12th.

Lastly, we are making progress with having music for our Sunday service. We have organists scheduled for the next two Sundays and Kurt has purchased a connecting cord that he thinks will allow us to record our organ during the week and let us play the recording on Sunday. This is a stop gap measure as we are looking for a permanent organist.

In Christ,

Rev. Susan

Sundays Service

The Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

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Readings for this Week:

First Reading: Genesis 15:1-6
Response: Psalm 33:12-22
The Epistle: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16
Gospel: Luke 12:13-21

This Week's Ministers:

Preacher: The Rev. Susan Treanor
Altar Guild:
Announcements: John Warriner
Lector: John Warriner
Hospitality: Wanda Peirce

This week's Hymns:

The God of Abraham praise
How wondrous and great thy works, God of praise!
If thou but trust in God to guide thee
O God of Bethel, by whose hand
How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord

This week's Gospel according to: Luke

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

"But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

Happenings and Announcements

- I put together a working group of five of us to choose a new mission statement for Saint Paul's. We will be meeting when we are all back from our summer vacations.
- Soup night was yesterday (Wednesday). The soups were turkey/chicken vegetable and tomato. We actually gave out all the soup this month and didn't have to worry about storing it. Next month's soups are chicken noodle and cream of broccoli. Sign up is on the refrigerator in the kitchen.
- Game night will be on Wednesday the 13th of August at 5:30. Bring a game to share and enjoy fellowship with each other.
- Vestry meeting will be on Wednesday, August 27th vice the 20th at 5:00. All are welcome to join in.

-John Warriner



For those who are ill or have requested our prayers:

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



This Months Birthdays:

James Bailey 8/2, Scott Price 8/13, Barb Undercoffler 8/19, Bob Aiken 8/23, Patty Aiken 8/30



This Months Anniversaries:

Jack & Carol Lasher: 8/6/1960
Cole & Kate Aukema: 8/6/2022

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

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost, August 3rd, 2025

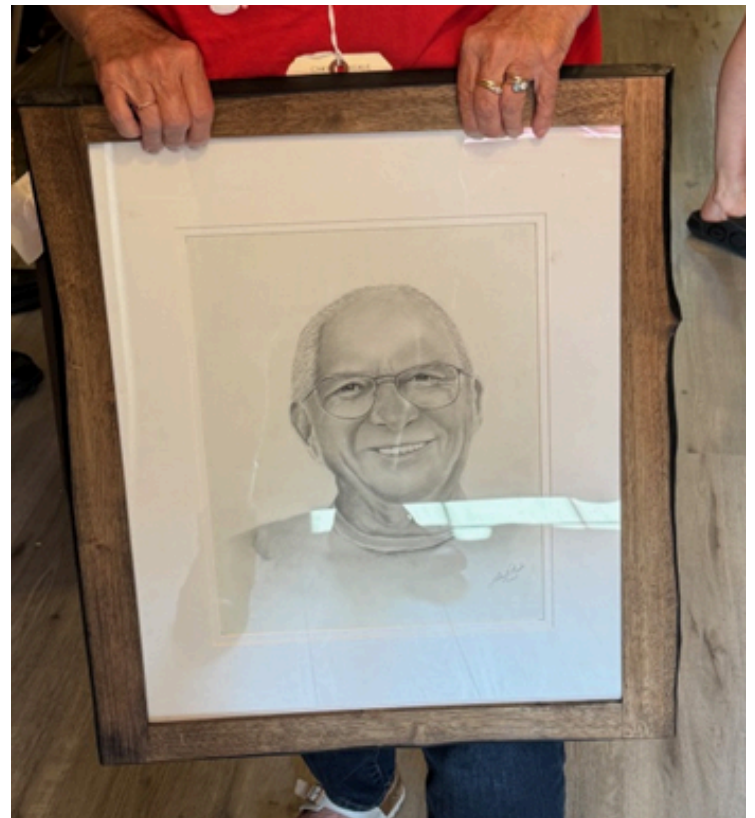
God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power;
crown the ancient church's story; bring its bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour,
for the facing of this hour.

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost, August 6th, 10:00 Holy Eucharist Service was led by the Rev. Susan Treanor. John Warriner read announcements and Shelly Green read the lessons. Thanks to Cathy Hammons for playing the organ. 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.



Drawing of Harry

Wanda had a get together at the house last Saturday to look at Harry's "Man-Cave" over the garage. Rich Marker presented her with a portrait he did of Harry.



Soup Night

What would the first Wednesday of the month be without St. Paul's soup night? This month was tomato and turkey vegetable. Soup, salad, roll, fruit cup and a cookie. Lots of fun, lots of comradery – testing each others creations. We were glad Wanda could rejoin us. Our next soup night is September 3rd. Come and volunteer or make a pot of chicken noodle or cream of broccoli soup.



Coats for Our Community

We know it's August. We know you're not thinking about winter. But we are! Coats for Our Community is doing a coat drive during the month of August. We need clean, warm, winter coats, hats, mittens for the fall distribution season. Coats may be dropped off at St. Paul's Church or at the American Legion Post. Thanks for helping keep your neighbors a little warmer this winter.

New Co-Director of the Montrose Mobile Food Pantry

Lynne Graham has been asked to Co-Chair the Montrose Mobile Food Pantry which distributes food at the Community Church in South Montrose on the second Friday of the month. Her first words of wisdom were that any new volunteers are welcome. Come see where St. Paul's bread money goes.





Barn Swallows

The Barn Swallow's second brood is ready to fledge. They only have a couple of weeks to get ready for their several thousand mile journey. Their leaving is the first real indication that summer is coming to an end.



EARLY AUGUST IN SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY

It's summer here in Susquehanna County. High clouds and hot weather. A dainty unknown flower in the woods discovered, black-eyed Susan's and daisies in the flower garden. Young turkeys are getting ready to fly. The corn is high and beginning to tassel. Heard the katydids last night – an August sound for sure.

