



ST. PAUL'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Weekly Update

October 12- October 18



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To proclaim God's love by word and example and to seek Christ in one another.

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Our Vestry Members

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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 middle aisle:

I want to apologize to everyone who has been coming to Tuesday Night Compline. I simply did not realize that yesterday was Tuesday, so I sent out no invitation and did not connect to Zoom last night. I have to figure out a better way to do this. I already put it in my calendar for next Tuesday. Secondly, we made the announcement that that Church of England, a co member with us of the Anglican Communion, has chosen the next Archbishop of Canterbury: Bishop Sarah Mullally. She will be consecrated this coming March.

The Archbishop's position in the Church of England is the "first among Peers", that is, they have no power over other Anglican Bishops in England other than influence. However, other provinces, I am thinking Provinces in Africa who themselves may have greater authority than our structure gives our Bishops, and who have tried to get the previous Archbishops of Canterbury to step into our provinces over ordination of Gay men and women as deacons, priests and bishops for instance, may have difficulty supporting a female Archbishop of Canterbury. Let us keep her in our prayers as she takes on this new role.

The Church of England consecrated its first women priests in 1994 and consecrated its first female bishop in January of 2015. There are now 33 women bishops out of 69 bishops in total. This is quite a jump in 10 years. There are 42 diocese in the Church of England, 2 diocese have not filled their open positions yet, so there are 40 bishops diocesan, of these, I believe 10 are women.

The United States consecrated its first female priest in 1977 and consecrated Barbara Harris a Bishop in 1988.

Thirdly, as I have had one-on-one meetings with many of you, I am astounded by the wealth of experience we have in this parish. This area included administration, accounting, communication and many others. Communication is a passion of mine. That does not mean to say I can't improve my own communication, it is more to say I see how important it is to our common life, deepening and growth. We are planning to have a presentation on communication, hopefully in October after coffee hour. Part of what I want to remind myself and us is that looking at the same issue, we may interpret it in many different ways: 360 or more in fact. It is easy to forget that and assume everyone is looking at the same thing, interprets it as a problem or blessing, offers identical ideas to solve or build on the gift and wonders why everyone does not agree with us. The more we understand our own approach to everything, the more we can begin to understand ourselves and others. I hope you will take advantage of this opportunity that our members are offering us to enhance our communication and therefore our community.

The Diocese of NY is offering a conversation on "Space of Belonging and Thriving" with the Very Rev. Bishop Marian Budde and Poet theologian Padraig O Tuama, moderated by NY Bishop Allen K Shin. It will be available free on line to those who register. I can send you a link.

My calendar is still open to meeting anyone who has not yet had a one-on-one or anyone who wants a second.

In Love, Rev. Susan

Sundays Service

The Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost

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Readings for this Week:

First Reading: 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

Response: Psalm 111

The Epistle: 2 Timothy 2:8-15

Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

This Week's Ministers:

Preacher: The Rev. Susan Treanor

Altar Guild: Mary Zalewski

Announcements: John Warriner

Lector: Tom Undercoffler

Hospitality:

This week's Hymns:

Oh bless the Lord, my soul!

Blest are the pure in heart

Jesus, I have promised

This week's Gospel according to: Luke

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

Happenings and Announcements

Announcements

1. In Sunday's service bulletin was inserted a listing of some mission statements for us to choose from. We had a working group to come up with some statements for Saint Paul's, but would like your opinion before we finalize it. If you don't prefer either of them, there's a choice for that too. There are some forms near the church entrance if you didn't get a chance to cast your vote already. Thank you all for your involvement and help in identifying who we are as a parish.
2. The service the previous Sunday was at St. Matthew's Church in Stevensville. What a beautiful day it was with an ice cream social following.
3. Soup takeout was a success on Wednesday giving out over a 120 soups. Thank you to all the volunteers for this great ministry.
4. Speaking of great ministries, coats for the community kicked off this week here in the Parish Hall.
5. Canned goods are needed for the Little Free Pantry. There's a box for donations in the Parish Hall and in the church near the organ.
6. Kate's daughter, Averly, had her 1st birthday on Saturday and she enjoyed her first chocolate birthday cake. Happy Birthday!

Have a great week.

John Warriner



For those who are ill or have requested our prayers:

Naomi Bennett, Rita Leigh, Nancy Finlon, Carol Marker, Richard Marker, Carol Lasher, Elaine Petrzala, Tom Undercoffler, Janice Gavern, Chip Schuster, Wanda Peirce, Ellen Ely



This Months Birthdays:

Averly Aukema 10/4, Vickie Calby 10/19, Robert Smith 10/23, Carol Marker 10/31



This Months Anniversaries:

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

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost, October 5th, 2025

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art;
Thou my best Thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost, October 5th, 10:00 Holy Eucharist Service was led by the Rev. Susan Treanor. John Warriner read announcements and Vickie Calby read the lessons. 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.



Who'd Have Thought It
Yup, that's Rev. Susan playing the organ – a talent she has been hiding.

Coats for Our Community

Coats for Our Community kicked off its 19th season last Thursday and Friday at St. Paul's. During the year, through purchases and donations from Interfaith and the community, we at St. Paul's collect and store warm coats, hats, gloves etc. Each fall, the guys from American Legion Gardner-Warner Post 154 help distribute them to various sites. And the kids from Montrose's Key Club under Ms. Halliburton, help pack and unpack them. We are always accepting warm, clean coats and they can be left here at St. Paul's or the Legion. Your donations will keep your neighbors a little warmer this year.



Music for Service

Here's a good photograph of John Warriner and Andrew Wurth working on making the service music work when we don't have an organ player. It's a good team and the music should start going a little easier.



Harringtons Have a New Dog

Sean and Mary Ann Harrington just got a new dog. Paisley is a big girl, a 130-pound St. Bernard. She is a two years old and seems to enjoy meeting people.

Old Montrose Photograph

Here's a neat undated early photograph of the building at the corner of Church and South Main Streets. Originally three stories, it unfortunately burned down and the current, single story building currently housing Chocolates by Leopold replaced it.



It's Time to Shut the Doors

Not sure who the enterprising church property parishioner was who put these stickers on the doors but it had to be at least 20 years ago. Although they are worn and a little worse for wear, they are still a good reminder to remember to close the doors. The heat is now on. While the days have been warm, the nights are getting chilly and the doors between buildings and the stairwells should be closed. Thank you for helping to conserve our heat.



Halloween is Coming

Yup, the decorations are popping up around town. Halloween falls on a Friday this year. Those little goblins will be trick or treating soon.



EARLY OCTOBER IN SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY

"I loved autumn, the one season of the year that God seemed to have put there just for the beauty of it." We got some needed rain on Wednesday morning and the temperature finally dropped. Foggy mornings, beautiful. The farmers have started harvesting their corn and you can hear their tractors and choppers working in the distance. A stop at a farm brings a curious goat to see who you are. The falls at Salt Springs are low and almost non-existent. The geese are beginning their low, practice flying efforts to get this year's young ones ready to fly south. A flowering crabapple's crop must not be tasty because the birds have left it alone. Spring trees are planted. It's early fall here in Susquehanna County.

