

# Our Church

## St. Paul's Lutheran Church

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November 2018

Sunday Holy Eucharist 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.  
Education 9:15 a.m.

### SERRV Holiday Sale Sunday November 4<sup>th</sup>

The Social Ministry Committee has arranged for a SERRV holiday sale at St. Paul's. SERRV is an independent Christian organization that partners with artisans from developing nations and who sell their creations through SERRV. This arrangement enables artisans to

become self-sufficient and to support their families. There are a variety of items included for this year's event. They will be available for sale on Sunday November 4<sup>th</sup> following both services but especially so from 9 – 10:15 AM at which time breakfast items will be provided making for a delightful time for us to strengthen relationships and become better acquainted. There will also be shopping times on Monday and Tuesday mornings on November 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 – 10:00 AM. So plan to attend now and purchase some unique gifts for the up-coming holidays while supporting artisans from around the globe.



### Annual Meeting Sunday November 18

The Annual Meeting of the congregation is an important part of our life together as sisters and brothers in Christ. It is the time when we conduct business, elect leaders for various aspects of our ministry and mission, and share our collective hopes and dreams for our family of faith. This year the meeting will be held following the 10:30 AM liturgy. A delicious luncheon provided by the

Fellowship Committee will be served at noon with the meeting following. The new elevator should be operating making it possible for all of our members and friends to attend the fellowship meal and business meeting in our newly refurbished Fellowship Hall and if not there we will gather in Christ Hall. At this meeting the 2019 budget will be presented for adoption, elections will be conducted for: Council members, the Benevolent Committee, Voting Members to the 2019 Synod Assembly (this is an election year for the office of Bishop) and members for the Mutual Ministry Committee. Updates on current projects especially the renovation of the building and ministries will be shared by various committees and groups within our congregation. This is a time for you to ask questions, offer insights and ideas, and seek collaborative ways to strengthen our life together in Christ. Please make every effort to take an active role in the life of our St. Paul's Church congregation by attending the Annual Meeting.

# ANNUAL MEETING

## All Saints Sunday November 4, 10:30 AM

All Saints Sunday November 4<sup>th</sup> serves as the church's Memorial Day. On this day we will remember by name all those who died from our family of faith during the last year. And those for whom Pastor Reep conducted funerals. They are:

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|-----------------|----------|------------------|---------|
| Barbara Smith   | 12-31-17 | Marcelene Wicker | 5-19-18 |
| Ruth Wonik      | 1-2-18   | Eugene Shank     | 8-5-18  |
| Marion Torjusen | 3-12-18  | Betty Rosh       | 8-19-18 |
| Debra Beshore   | 3-22-18  | Floyd Egger      | 8-29-18 |
| Fred Royer      | 3-31-18  | Martha Wysocki   | 9-7-18  |
| Dale Rosh, Jr.  | 5-10-18  | Barbara Goodrich | 9-8-18  |



It is always a memorable service rich in liturgy, hymns and preaching. This year the handbell choir will add a beautiful dimension to the liturgy with the ringing of bells during the necrology. Please plan to attend showing your support to the many families and friends of the congregation who grieve and mourn the death of loved ones. This time together provides us opportunity to remember and give thanks to God for all of his promises to us, especially, the communion of saints and the life everlasting.

***Remember to turn your clocks back 1 hour at 2 AM Sunday morning or when you go to bed on Saturday night.***

## Veteran's Day November 11 8:00 a.m. 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Armistice

This year we recognize the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of World War I. At the 8:00 AM liturgy we will pay tribute to our veterans, hear poetry reflecting the somber nature of the occasion, and sing some of our cherished patriotic hymns. The service will offer us an opportunity to give thanks for those who gave their lives and to those who fought valiantly to bring peace in the context of the One, Christ Jesus, who brings peace through his suffering, death and resurrection.



## Preschool Sunday November 11, 10:30 AM

The preschool children and their families are invited to worship with us on the second Sunday in November. This is always a lively time as children bring family members into the space in which they have chapel services during week day school. The Fellowship Committee always has a delightful

Second Sunday Sandwich luncheon following the service creating a wonderful time to engage in conversation with the many guests for the day. Additionally the preschool children sing a few of the songs they sing during their chapel services. All in all it is a delightful joy filled liturgy. Please come and show your support to the children and offer your words of welcome to their family members.



## **Christ the King Crowning the Year with Goodness**

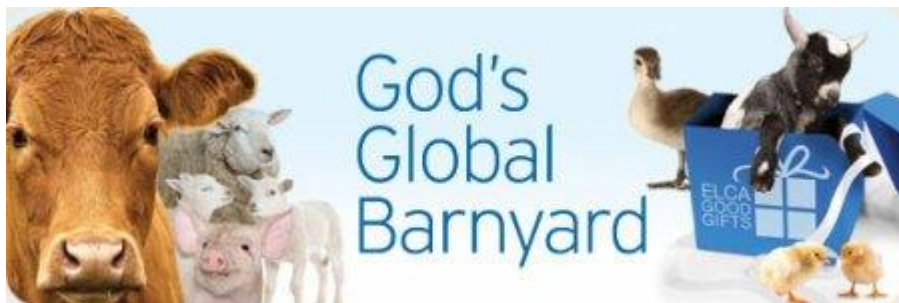
On Sunday November 25<sup>th</sup> we bring the liturgical year to a close and look forward to a new Christian year to begin on Sunday December 2<sup>nd</sup>. We are given this time to turn our attention to Christ who is our King, the Lord of our life, the Sovereign who rules with mercy and grace and who provides us with what is needed for life. During worship on Christ the King we will include in the prayers those people and things for which we are truly thankful. The liturgy will focus on Christ, who is our king, and the thankfulness we have for all that he has done, is doing, and promises yet to do in our lives. Especially this year we give God thanks for the successful completion of the renewing of our church facility and the renewing of our lives as in faith we have pressed onward through difficult and challenging days. Invite a friend or family member to attend service with you on Christ the King. Rejoice in the knowledge that the year is crowned with the goodness of the Lord. Let this be a time to offer prayer, praise and thanksgiving to God who reigns.



## **York College Choir Presents *Holiday Light* Dec 9, 2018, 3 PM**

The York College Chorale, Chamber Singers and Voca Bella will present a seasonal program in the inspiring setting of St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Selections by contemporary composers and classical masters will center around themes on light and hope. The choirs will be conducted by Grace Muzzo and Christine Kates, and the singers will be accompanied by a variety of instruments including St. Paul's handbell choir. Victor will perform and accompany from the organ. This special program will also include appropriate readings for the season. Please invite your family and friends to this concert which promises to be a beautiful array of holiday music.

We expect to have a large attendance so come early for a good seat. Plans are underway to hold a post-concert reception in our newly finished Good Shepherd room.



## **God's Global Barnyard**

Please join our 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> grade Sunday School class in collecting quarters to buy farm animals for families all over the world including our country. The barnyard "headquarters" is located in the Good Shepherd Gathering Room each Sunday before and after Sunday School through December 30<sup>th</sup>. In early 2019 the class will decide on which animals it will purchase from a selection of chicks, goats, honey bees, and piglets.

Please note: In addition to quarters for the "quarter tube," other forms of monetary contributions will be accepted either at "headquarters" or in the offering plate (please specify for **God's Global Barnyard**).



### Adult Classes

#### Wednesday Bible Study at 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday morning Bible study meets at 10:30 AM. The study delves deeply into the readings for the up-coming Sunday assembly. The Gospel of Mark will provide continuity as we look at texts from Deuteronomy, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Numbers, and James. Please enter the building through the Springettsbury lobby. Currently we are meeting on the upper level in the blue youth room.

**C.S. Lewis' book *Mere Christianity*** is the center of discussions on Thursday Evenings, 7-8 p.m will be studied at the Ericson's home on Thursday evenings. Anyone is welcome to join. We will meet for 9 weeks on Thursdays, starting Sep. 20th, from 7-8 PM. If there is interest from young families, we will explore childcare. Please email Tristan Ericson at [tericson@ycp.edu](mailto:tericson@ycp.edu) if you might like to attend.

**Sunday Morning 9:15-10:15 AM** - During the month of November we will discuss short articles relating to Christian faith.

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|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| November 11—Faith Matters | “Is Love Stronger?”      | Samuel Wells       |
| November 18—Faith Matters | “The Fulfillment Myth”   | M. Craig Barnes    |
| November 25—Faith Matters | “How Millennials Gather” | Stephanie Paulsell |

#### Sunday morning classes for children, infants through grade 6 at 9:15 a.m.

Sunday morning classes for children, infants through grade 6 are underway. Children and teachers are using the newly finished upstairs classrooms and the Youth room. Please bring your child(ren) to Sunday School. The time and effort put forth is important for strengthening faith. And, it is more fun to have a full class for students and teachers!

### New Ideas

Is there something that you would like to study or discuss with fellow St. Paul's members? Some ideas may include, parenting topics, a book of the Bible, how to pray, or current social issues. Let Pastor Reep, Kelly Moore-Spencer or someone from the Christian Education Committee know how we can help you grow in your walk with God.

**Mark Your Calendars** for an all church event on the first Sunday in Advent, December 2, 9:15-10:15 AM. Details will be in the December Newsletter but plan on attending breakfast and the many activities that will help each of us as we keep the Advent Season at church and in our homes. What is Advent? It is the four weeks before Christmas that Christians set aside for contemplation and prayer about the expectant waiting for the celebration of the coming of Jesus at Christmas, the coming of Jesus through Holy Communion and His second coming. Come learn more.

### Poinsettia Orders

Decorating our beautiful church chancel and nave with brilliant red poinsettias is a Christmas tradition at St. Paul's. This year is no exception. With the joyful anticipation of celebrating the Nativity of our Lord in our newly renovated church we are asking you to contribute a poinsettia. An order form is below. The donor recognitions will be printed in the Christmas bulletins. Once again, thank you for your support and for helping to make our church ready for our Christmas liturgies.





# Music News

Plans are underway for several music concerts and recitals to be held at St. Paul's beginning in 2019. You may want to mark your calendars for these special events. Feel free to invite your friends, neighbors and anyone who enjoys live Classical music.

Victor Fields will be presenting two organ and instruments recitals as listed.

## **Sunday, February 17, 2019, 3:00 PM "Fields & Friends" Music for organ and instruments**

Victor will collaborate with his friends and colleagues to present a variety of sacred and concert music for organ with bassoon, flute, english horn, french horn, piano, soprano, and organ duet. Guest musicians performing include: Robin Plant, Jill Haley, Elizabeth Erenberg, Nelle Bailey, Gretchen Dekker, Erin Lippard and Christine Kates.

This concert will be a fund-raising event to support the ongoing efforts of our Capital Campaign. Look for more information about the renovation celebration to be held that day.

## **Sunday, March 10, 2019, 3:00 PM Music for trumpet and organ**

Victor will collaborate with professional trumpeter Jonah Kappraff of Lewisburg, PA. Jonah has played with many professional music ensembles in the Boston area for the past 15 years. He currently performs throughout the Susquehanna Valley & Central PA and has performed with the York and Williamsport Symphony orchestras. Jonah is married to Beth Willer who is Director of Choral Activities and Assistant Professor of Music at Bucknell University.

In the Spring of 2019 St. Paul's will serve as host to several music ensembles presenting concerts.

## **Sunday, April 28, 2019, 3:00 PM York College of PA Wind Ensemble**

The York College Department of Music will be bring the wind ensemble to perform in our Sanctuary. Selections include music for band and will feature Victor Fields playing organ with the ensemble. The Wind Ensemble is directed by Dr. Matthew Inkster, Professor of Music at the college.

## **Sunday, May 5, 2019, 3:00 PM Harrisburg Choral Society & Orchestra**

Plan are being finalized to host the 50 voice Harrisburg Choral Society and Orchestra to present a concert of sacred music. The featured work will be the Requiem Mass of French composer Maurice Duruflé. A 20+ piece orchestra and Victor Fields playing organ will accompany the Choral Society under the direction of Dr. Jason Vodicka. The Harrisburg Choral Society is the oldest choral ensemble in the Capital Region founded in 1895.

## **Good Friday, April 19, 2019 beginning at Noon. Organ & Art The Way of the Cross**

Our organist Victor Fields will present a music and art depiction on the Way of the Cross. This will feature a 14 movement virtuosic organ work Le Chemin de la Croix - "The Way of the Cross" by the 20<sup>th</sup> French virtuoso organist and composer Marcel Dupré considered one of the greatest organists of all time. There will be a PowerPoint visual presentation of artwork shown on a projection screen to accompany the dramatic music. This 70 minute presentation will allow you to reflect on the drama and passion that our Lord Jesus endured on the way to the Cross. This music is rarely heard and seldom played, so it will be a way to guide you through Good Friday during Holy Week.

**The York Conference of Lutherans Tutoring** program is looking for dedicated volunteers who like to work with children for our tutoring program. Tutoring occurs either on Monday or Tuesday evenings from 7:00 PM - 8:15 PM. Tutors work with children in grades 1-6 to assist with homework, help with study skills and serve as mentors and role models.

If interested, please call Shari Young at 717-586-9310

or email [ycltutoring@gmail.com](mailto:ycltutoring@gmail.com)

or visit our website: <http://ycltutoring.weebly.com/>

or message us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ycltutoring>

## 2019 Calendar Sale

### Benefits Preschool and Food Pantry

The Capital Campaign Committee has prepared 2019 calendars featuring original paintings by Pastor Reep. The calendars are available on Sundays in the Good Shepherd Room and during the week in the Church office. The calendars are \$20 each. For those who like to give gifts, one of St. Paul's calendars can be given or sent through the mail. One person is giving them to family members with gift cards attached to the recipient's birthday month and wedding anniversary month. One calendar gift takes care of three occasions! In order to maximize the proceeds from this project and to underwrite the cost of renovation to the preschool and pantry areas, the campaign committee is asking each family to sell a minimum of 10 calendars. This enables members who are unable to increase financial contributions to the Capital Campaign the ability to give in a significant and meaningful way. The original art work will be on display in the Good Shepherd Room each month it is featured. An auction is planned for October 19, 2019 at which time the paintings will be sold and the total proceeds donated to the Capital Campaign *Building in Faith for Future Generations*.



## 2019 Church Offering Envelopes

Church offering envelopes for the 2019 calendar year will be available in early December. They will be ready for pick up in Good Shepherd Room. Please make every effort to collect your packet. The envelopes are in a tablet form so that each week's envelope can simply be torn out and brought with you to worship or simply mailed to the office if you aren't able to attend. This will save using an envelope and addressing an envelope. All you need do is add postage and mail! Also remember that you may contribute to the ministry of the congregation through electronic giving. For additional information on this simply notify the Treasurer, Tony Culp, for instructions. Thanks in advance for taking responsibility and securing your envelope packet for 2019 and for your faithful support of St. Paul's mission and ministry.

## Carols in Candlelight

As we approach the Christmas season it is difficult to escape the desire to both give and receive gifts. We are always keeping this in theological perspective with our understanding of God's gift to us of grace and mercy made known through his Son, Christ Jesus. This year with our newly renovated worship space St. Paul's is offering to the Greater York Community the opportunity to experience our splendid church nave fully decorated for Christmas and the opportunity to sing beloved carols in our beautiful church led by our magnificent pipe organ, superb grand piano, and delightful harpsichord. Carols in Candlelight will be held on Christmas Eve at 11:00 PM. This is an opportunity for us to welcome into our worship space people who may not have a church home, folks who love to sing but don't have such a gorgeous space in which to sing, and folks who may not be religious but for whom this time of year still has significant meaning. Watch for additional details in the December issue of *Our Church*. And begin now to invite friends and coworkers to Carols in Candlelight at St. Paul's.





### Up-coming Worship, Education and Fellowship Events in December

- December 2 First Sunday in Advent  
Family Advent Workshop 9:15 AM  
Cherub Choir 10:30 AM *Light One Candle*
- December 5 Wednesday Advent Supper 6:00 PM  
Evening Prayer 7:00 PM
- December 9 Second Sunday in Advent  
Cookie Walk Noon-3:00 PM  
York College Choral Christmas Program 3:00 PM
- December 12 Wednesday Advent Supper 6:00 PM  
Evening Prayer 7:00 PM
- December 16 Third Sunday in Advent
- December 19 Wednesday Advent Supper 6:00PM  
Evening Prayer 7:00 PM
- December 23 Fourth Sunday in Advent  
Cantabile & Handbell Choirs 10:30 AM *Ring in of Christmas*
- December 24 Christmas Eve  
Festival Christmas Eve Holy Communion with Candle Lighting 7:00 PM  
Carols in Candle Light 11:00 PM *Community Carol Sing*
- December 25 Christmas Day  
Christmas Holy Communion 10:30 AM
- December 30 First Sunday After Christmas  
Holy Communion 8:00 & 10:30 AM
- January 6 The Epiphany of our Lord  
Holy Communion 8:00 AM  
Family Epiphany Event 9:15 AM  
Festival Epiphany Holy Communion 10:30 AM

### Christmas Cookie Walk Sunday, December 9

**9 – 10 AM for church family**

**Noon – 3 PM for the York Community**

A Christmas cookie walk allows you to walk around tables laden with elegantly prepared homemade Christmas cookies and select those that you and your family will enjoy. This event provides financial assistance for our mission work in Tanzania. For a \$15 donation you receive a plastic glove to slip over your hand and a container in which to place your selected cookies. This event is sponsored by the Mpoguso Committee. For additional details or to volunteer to bake two or more batches (80 or so cookies) of your best Christmas cookies for the cookie walk, please contact Martina Uffelman, 717-840-3262 or simply sign up on the Springettsbury Vestibule Bulletin Board. Thank you for your generous support of this project.



## Upcoming Children and Youth Family Activities

### Adventure Time and Young Readers

Adventure Time and Young Readers is a Bible reading program for children in grades 1 through 6. We meet in the new Youth Room on the first Sunday of every month, from 11:45 a.m. till 1:00 p.m. During their time together, the children will venture into their Bibles, enjoy lunch together, and do an activity or art project together. By reading stories from their own bible, children will learn to become Young Lectors for worship. Grades 1, 2 & 3 will read from their Paraclete Bibles and grades 4, 5 & 6 from their Adventure Time Bibles. We will begin scheduling young lectors in the New Year.

### Youth Group

We have been meeting in our new space. The new youth room is working great when we gathers on the upper level. The room has been designed so different activities can take place at the same time. The youth are feeling at home in their youth room, whether they are hanging out, having Bible study, playing games, preparing a meal, or making new friends.

The Youth Group will meet Sunday, November 11 for a movie at Franks Theater followed by conversation and pizza. They will meet on Sunday, November 18 at Adrenaline Trampoline Park from 2:00-4:00 PM. Contact Miss Kelly for more information.

### Creative Fun on Tuesday Evenings Children, Youth and Parents

The Youth room located on the upper level is open for the children and youth of St. Paul's for "Creative Fun"! Every week, there are new projects offered! Some projects can be completed in a short amount of time, while others can take a few visits to complete – the choice is yours. "CREATIVE FUN" runs the same time as Cherub Choir and Cantabile Bell Choir – 6:00 till 7:15 PM. If a child is in one of the Choirs they are welcome to come to "CREATIVE FUN" for part of the time.

### Family and Youth Game Night Friday, November 9 6:00 till 7:30 PM

Do you have a favorite game that you would like to play with your friends at St. Paul's? Bring it along to game night along with your favorite snack and plan on having lots of fun. Game night will be held in the Youth Room on the upper level. There are board and card games available plus the famous Foosball Table. There may even be a friendly Foosball match, parents against kids!

### Family and Youth Night at Rocky Ridge Christmas Lights Sunday, December 9 5:30 PM

Bundle up and enjoy a walk in the woods with other St. Paul's families to see the twinkling Christmas lights and animated scenes. We will take some time to stop and get warm while enjoying hot chocolate and popcorn along the way. The children always enjoy stopping to watch the train display and a visit with Santa. Since tickets need to be purchased ahead of time, families will need to sign up no later than November 25.

Please see or contact Miss Kelly if you have any questions.  
Miss Kelly 717-578-9832      [klmoorespencer@comcast.net](mailto:klmoorespencer@comcast.net)

### Food Pantry November 2018

**Items needed:** Juice, soup, tuna, peanut butter and jelly, rice

We need volunteers to sub on Tuesdays mornings. Please contact Teresa Rohrbaugh if you are able to help in this way. Plastic Bags are always needed. Money donations are gratefully accepted. Please place cash or check in a "special" envelope marked "Pantry".





## Capital Campaign Gifts

Please remember the Capital Campaign when commemorating a special event.

***BIRTHDAYS \* GRADUATIONS \* ANNIVERSARIES \* MEMORIALS \* ETC.***

Recipients or family members will be notified of your generosity with a letter  
and your gift will be published in our "Our Church".

***RETURN THIS FORM TO THE CHURCH***

I would like to honor this special person(s) with a **Capital Campaign Gift**.

NAME OF RECIPIENT(S) \_\_\_\_\_

DONOR(S) OF GIFTS WITH ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
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SENTIMENT TO BE PRINTED FOR GIFT \_\_\_\_\_  
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## Capital Campaign Gifts

Tom & Kathy Ruth

In honor of Pastor Reep's 30th Anniversary of Ordination

Joan & Stephen Langeheine

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## 2018-2019 Flower Chart

***Reserve your date now!***

The 2018-2019 flower chart is posted on the bulletin board in the Springettsbury lobby. The cost of the flowers is \$30 per vase. You are welcome to sign up to provide one or both vases. After you have signed up, simply make a check payable to St. Paul's Lutheran Church and mark it altar flowers.

This is a great way to honor someone, celebrate a milestone in life, or remember a loved one. The flowers may be taken home with you at the conclusion of the 10:30 a.m. liturgy or you may have them given to someone who is sick, at home, or hospitalized. If you wish, you can contact the office to reserve a date, and provide us with all of the correct information for inclusion in the Sunday bulletin.



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**Worship Schedule**  
Sunday Holy Eucharist 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.  
Education 9:15 a.m.