Our Church

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November 2019

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

First Ever Event for St. Paul's Church

The Capital Campaign Committee embarked on a first ever event for St. Paul's Church. The Harvest Wine Dinner and Auction event held in Fellowship Hall last month yielded tremendous results. The dinner and auction began as an idea when the proof of the 2019 calendar *Kitchen Sketches* was being prepared in late summer 2018. Placing an event on the calendar served as a place holder buying time until an event could be more completely fleshed out. The successful evening was possible only because of the generosity of time, talent, and financial gifts provided by members and friends with a "can do" attitude. The meal was elegantly prepared, presented, and served. The wine which accompanied each course created engaging conversation around each table. The silent auction items stretched the imagination as to the variety of goods and services that could garner financial recourses for this important cause. With the generosity of 13 original paintings by Pastor Reep who also arranged for them to be professionally matted and framed for the event, Larry Gross AS AUC-TIONEER, pushed the enthusiasm of the dinner guests to new heights as the bidding



Sylvia Little was recognized for her many years of past service to the food pantry.

at times was brisk. Additionally the 2020 *Italian Holiday* calendars were unveiled allowing for the unlucky bidder to take home fresh watercolor images to sustain them through a new year. The evening raised \$24,375. for the Capital Campaign. This amount will help pay for the renovations to the Food Pantry and St. Paul's Preschool. We extend a huge thank you to Branden Huffnagle and the staff of the Glen Rock Mill Inn, Jennifer Doran and her wait staff and to the committee members and co-chairs, Mike Hanson and Ann Anstadt for bringing a delightful evening to fruition.



Those recognized for their current service to St. Paul's Pantry were left to right: Janet and Larry Moore, and Ed and Teresa Rohrbaugh.

All Saints Sunday November 3, 10:30 AM

Reception of Members & Sacrament of Holy Baptism Remembrance of the Dearly Departed

This year we will indeed celebrate all saints. The liturgy will include the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, Reception of new members, and the remembrance of the dearly departed. We will welcome two families to St. Paul's: Chris and Amy Lipp, along with their sons Ephraim, Augustus and Montague; and Chris and Victoria Waddail as they bring their son Theodor to receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. These joyous aspects of our life together will be juxtaposed with the solemnity of remembering those who died. We will remember by name all those for whom Pastor Reep conducted funerals. All funerals were for non-members. They are:

Robert Eugene Rodgers	11-6-18	Virginia Jean Crebs	6-10-19
Robert Eugene Rodgers II	11-6-18	Dorcas Brenneman	6-27-19
Barry Lee Guss	4-26-19	Raymond Knoke	8-24-19
Robert N. Zirkle	5-23-19	John R. Williams	8-31-19

It is always a memorable service rich in liturgy, hymns and preaching. 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 new families who are uniting with us, and 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, from the new life in Baptism to the communion of saints and the life everlasting.

Social Ministry Seeking Gently Used Coats

Jackson Elementary School needs coats for the students. This time of year, as the weather begins to change, students often do not have coats. Gently worn clean coats can be donated (students ages are from Kindergarten through Eighth Grade) and placed in the specially marked box. Thank you, Patsy Griffin, for the Committee

November- December Events

St. Paul's Committees began 2019 with a wide variety of plans to strengthen Worship, Fellowship, Community Outreach, and Global Awareness. We need everyone to take part in some if not all of these events. We extend our thanks and appreciation to our committee leadership for the vibrant witness of our faith community. Kindly add these events to your calendar.

All Saints Sunday (remembrance of the blessed dead), November 3

Habitat for Humanity presentation, Sunday November 3, 9:30 AM

Preschool Recognition Sunday, November 10

Advance Planning seminar, Sunday November 10, 9:15 AM

Annual Meeting and Dinner, November 17

St. Paul's Book Club, Wednesday November 20, 12 noon.

Christ the King, Sunday November 24

Senior Honors Choir Concert, Sunday November 24, 7:00 PM

Advent begins, Sunday December 1

Deliver cookies for the Cookie Walk, Saturday December 7

York College Chorale, Sunday December 8, 3:00 & 7:00 PM

Annual Cookie Walk, Sunday December 8, supports missions in Tanzania

Fourth Sunday in Advent, The Ringing in of Christmas, December 22 at 10:30 AM

Christmas Eve Candlelight Services (identical) Tuesday December 24 at 7:00 & 9:00 PM

Christmas Day, Wednesday December 25 at 10:30 AM

Christmas Lessons and Carols with Holy Communion, Sunday December 29, 10:30 AM

Christian Education News Classes begin for adults and children 9:15-10:15 AM each Sunday

Faith Formation Opportunities

Sunday Mornings from 9:15-10:15

Children (infants through grade 4) have been busy learning about Old Testament heroes such as Moses, Samuel, David and Solomon. Our youngest children enjoyed making "Burning Bushes" to remind them that God spoke to Moses in an amazing way! (insert pictures)

Youth in grades 5-7 and up have enjoyed discussing matters of faith with Miss Kelly and practicing the importance of serving by serving the Stewardship Dinner on October 6.

Adults: Thank you to Jim Kapoun for leading informative discussions in September and October on the book *October 31, 1517* by Martin Marty. A new members class has also been meeting with Pastor Reep. Upcoming events will all be held in Christ Hall.

November 3—Presentation by Habitat for Humanity

November 10—Advance Health Care Planning presented by Rhada Hartmann

November 17—Beginning a new topic Bible Study "Angels; Messengers of God" - Pastor Reep

Spark Family Magazine:

Can't get your children to Sunday School every week? Supplement their learning about faith and God's people with the **Spark Family Magazine** that you should be receiving quarterly right at home! The Christian Education Committee committed to this expense several years ago as a way of helping parents teach their children about important Bible stories and Christian practices. If you are not receiving this informative and helpful quarterly magazine, please contact the church office to add you name to the mailing list. Has your child(ren) outgrown this magazine? Please let us know as well.

"A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood?" Movie followed by discussion over a meal. Saturday, December 7. Time to be announced. Join us as we view and discuss this film about a real story in which a reporter's life is changed during his interviews with Fred Rogers. Fred Rogers, a Presbyterian Minister, was the star of Mr. Rogers Neighborhood, a children's program airing on public television from 1968-2001. Call the church to register.

Weekly Lectionary Study continues every Wednesday from 10:30-11:30. During this time we read and discuss the Bible lessons that will be used on the upcoming Sunday morning. Deepen your worship through this time of study and reflection. Regular attendance is not necessary. Come any time.

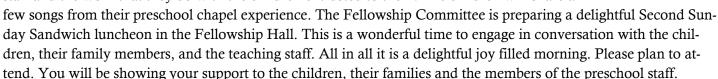


The preschool Sunday School class making "Burning Bushes" to remind them that God spoke to Moses in an amazing way!



Preschool Recognition Sunday November 10, 10:30 AM

On the second Sunday in November we welcome our preschool staff members and the preschool children and their families to worship with us. We will recognize the teaching staff and the work that they do with the children entrusted to them. The children will share a

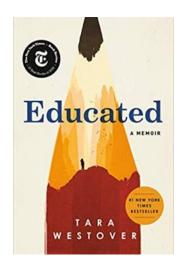




School has been in session for two months. The students have been talking about apples and pumpkins; the children from the four-year-old pre-K classes attended a field trip to Brown's Orchard to pick their own apples. In addition, October was National Fire Prevention Month. The children discussed fire safety and also got a visit from some local firemen! The preschool encourages you to take time this month to check your fire alarms and also research ways to make your home safer from fire.

The preschool is also continuing to enjoy and benefit from the renovated classrooms. Mrs. Deppen, the two-year old head teacher, and Mrs. Stambaugh, one of the four-year-old lead teachers, are delighted to have bathrooms in their classrooms. Prior to the renovation, the children and staff from these classes had to exit the classroom to use the restroom! The two-year-old teachers can change diapers more easily and it also helps with potty training and washing hands. The four-year-old teachers have more

educational instruction time now that they are not distracted by trips to the hall for the bathroom. They also are better able to prepare the children to be independent in preparation for Kindergarten.



St. Paul's Book Club will meet

Wednesday, Nov. 20, at noon. The book we will be discussing is the very popular memoir entitled *Educated*, by Tara Westover. It is about a girl's efforts to become educated in spite of her family's religious beliefs. All the 20 something copies of the book in the library system are often all checked out, so reserve your copy promptly. Bring a sandwich and prepare to enjoy the discussion.



Deadline for the December newsletter is November 15th



Food Pantry—November

Items needed: Soup, jelly, rice, canned vegetables (carrots, beets, Lima beans), canned meats.

We need volunteers to sub on Tuesdays mornings to cover for those on vacations. Please contact Teresa Rohrbaugh if you are able to help in this way. Plastic Bags are always needed. Money donations are gratefully ac-

cepted. Please place cash or check in a "special" envelope marked "Pantry".

Council Highlights

The Congregation Council gathered for their regular meeting on Monday October 14 at 7:00 PM in Christ Hall. The meeting was opened with prayer by Pastor Reep. With the agenda approved and minor corrections made to the September Minutes, Treasurer O'Conor presented the proposed budget for 2020. A pie chart made it easy to identify income streams for the congregation's ministry; envelope giving, loose plate, trust income, building use, and preschool tuition. It also made it easy to see that about 20% of our ex-



pense in 2020 will be for debt service. (for example this translates that if you are giving \$10 a week to sustain the ministry of the congregation, without increasing your offering to \$12 a week, it will be like trying do the same ministry on \$8.) The proposed budget was approved for presentation at the Annual Meeting, November 17, 2019.

Old business included the report of the Nominating Committee under the leadership of Tim Yakim. We need a few more candidates for: Mutual Ministry, Benevolence, Congregation Council, and Synod Voting Member. A new Building Use Policy is in its final stages. It should be ready for final approval at the November meeting. A new Evacuation Plan along with maps of each floor identifying routs of egress should be completed with signage posted on all levels by mid-November. A public address system for the completed church nave is a crucial element needed. The proposed system will be revisited with updated costs and ideas on how to generate the needed finances to pay for it.

New business brought three items from the Worship and Arts Committee. The first item, to purchase an additional hand held portable microphone for use at the altar was tabled because of pursuing a complete PA system. An Organ and Trumpet concert by Victor Fields and friend to be held on March 20, 2020 with free will offering to benefit the Capital Campaign was approved. Also approved was the request to host the Spring Garden Band for a public concert on April 19, 2020 with a free will offering split 50/50 between the band and the Capital Campaign. The Mpuguso Committee (as well as other areas of ministry) seeks to be more visible in the congregation so that people are aware of the work and mission that is carried out on behalf of the St. Paul's Lutheran Congregation.

President Ericson stressed the importance of weekly Sunday attendance, of being visible and engaged with the ministry of the congregation. He is thinking of ways to strengthen both attendances on Sunday morning and for the Annual Meeting especially at this juncture of our life together. We are post construction and are living into a new reality where the ministry of the congregation takes central priority. The Pastor's Report reflected the active schedule, services, and activities through which the congregation is strengthened and lives into its mission to "teach the world that God is love."

The meeting concluded at 9:20 PA with Tony Culp offering the closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Pastor Reep

Spiritual Care Volunteers Needed—Deacon Ellen Doughty is the the full-time staff Chaplain for UPMC Memorial in York, PA. She is always in the process of recruiting, training and scheduling spiritual care volunteers to assist with visits and cover on call times at UPMC Memorial. The Chaplain's Office provides 24/7 emergency on call which is done from home. Visits are done in house and all Spiritual Care Volunteers are trained. You do not have to have a degree in ministry to do visits or to be on call, just the willingness and desire to walk alongside someone in their time of illness or distress. There are many free training opportunities for Spiritual Care Volunteers.

Applications can be done via paper or online at https://www.pinnaclehealth.org/giving-back/volunteer/spiritual-care-volunteer-application/. The online application does not have the reference forms attached so they will need to be printed or they will be sent via email once the application is received. The forms are included in the application above.

If you or someone you know are interested in becoming a Spiritual Care Volunteer and would like to speak with Deacon Ellen about this, you may call her at 717-815-2386 M-F during the day. You may also send her an email at doughtyed@upmc.edu. Thank you!

Annual Meeting Sunday November 17

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 CONGREGATIONAL will be held following the 10:30 a.m. liturgy. A delicious luncheon featuring a variety of pasta dishes will be provided by the Fellowship Committee. The new elevator makes it possible for all of our members and friends to attend



the fellowship meal and business meeting in the Fellowship Hall. At this meeting the 2020 budget will be presented for adoption, elections will be conducted for: Council members, the Benevolent Committee, and Voting Members to the 2020 Synod Assembly, and members for the Mutual Ministry Committee. Voting members are those who have made a record of Holy Communion and financial contributions in the previous year. The Stewardship Committee will present a synopsis of the information gleaned from the glass wall post-it-notes gathered during the Stewardship emphasis in September. This is a time for you to ask questions, offer insights and ideas, and seek collaborative ways to strengthen our life together in Christ. A copy of the proposed budget along with other information pertaining to the meeting will be mailed to you in a separate letter. Please make every effort to take an active role in the life of our St. Paul's Church congregation by attending the Annual Meeting.

Advance Planning

On November 10 between services Rhada Hartmann will lead a discussion regarding Advance Planning. Five Wishes is a document that helps consider and define how you want to be cared for at the end of life, i.e. your final wishes and last will and testament will be referred to during the discussion. If you sign your Advance Planning document and have it witnessed, it becomes a legal document. Learn more by attending the session.

Christmas Cookie Walk Sunday, December 8, 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 of more batches (80 or so cookies) of your best Christmas cookies for the cookie walk, please contact Kathleen Lemke or simply sign up on the Springettsbury Bulletin Board. The year the proceeds underwrite the cost of education and books for a medical officer in Aftrica. Thank you for your generous support of this project.

Volunteers needed for Kindergarten Lunch at Jackson Elementary

Jackson Elementary is looking for volunteers who could give a half hour of their time to help during Kindergarten lunch from 11:50 a.m. to 12:20 p.m. to assist students through the food line, help students open milk, condiment packs, etc., monitor traffic in/out of bathroom, and engage with students in conversation. If anyone is interested in helping, please contact Patsy Griffin. All volunteers will need to have clearances.



Christ the King Crowning the Year with Goodness

On Sunday November 24th we bring the liturgical year to a close and look forward to a new Christian year to begin on Sunday December 1st. 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. 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.

Minimum Required Distribution

As we near the end of the year, individuals who are over 70 1/2 with IRAa need to review their current status regarding meeting their Minimum Required Distribution to insure compliance with tax law. If you have not met the MRD yet, you may be able to save some income tax payment by making a Qualified Charitable Contribution from their IRA. If the Distribution is made payable to a charity, e.g. St Paul's Lutheran Church, the amount counts toward your MRD and will reduce the taxable amount of the MRD. Your financial representative can assist in the process. This is just another way to be a good steward with what has been entrusted to you. Thank you.

St. Paul's Dinner Group

A time of good food, fellowship, and some fun over a casual meal. Groups of around six people (couples or singles) gather at the home of the designated host once during the months between March and May. Hosts can also invite other members or guests to come and join. You don't have to host, just sign up, and bring a dish to share. Those who volunteer to host will call the guests to schedule a day and time that works for all. The hosts provide the main dish and guests provide the rest (appetizers, salad, and dessert). We are going into our 13th year with St. Paul's Dinner Group. Come and join us as we get better acquainted during these casual and enjoyable evenings. A sign-up sheet is posted on the Springettsbury bulletin board.



Veterans Day, Monday, November 11th

Originally called Armistice Day, commemorating the signing of the agreement that ended World War I at 11:00 A.M., November 11, 1918, this federal holiday was changed to Veterans Day in 1954. At that time, it became a day to honor all the men and women who have served in the armed forces of the United States. Each year, special ceremonies are held at Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia. Those who identified themselves as having served are:

JAMES BENNETT	US ARMY JAG	BYRON LECATES	US ARMY
GERALD BRIGGS, JR.	US AIR FORCE	ROBERT LITTLE	US ARMY
ORVEN COOK	US ARMY	JOE MOYER	US ARMY
ANDREW DOUGHTY	US AIR FORCE	RICHARD RIESE	US NAVY
THOMAS GIBSON	US NAVY	RON RIESE	US ARMY & NATIONAL GUARD
LARRY GROSS	US ARMY	HAROLD SARGEANT	US RESERVES
MIKE HANSON	US ARMY	GREG SMITH	US ARMY
PETER HARTMANN	US AIR FORCE	JOHN UFFELMAN, SR.	US AIR FORCE
DAVE KOPP	US AIR FORCE	JORDAN YAKIM	US AIR FORCE currently serving

Meet the Preschool Staff



Deb Becker, Director 3 year-old teacher



Kathy Monk, Assistant Director 4 year-old teacher



Sue Deppen 2 year-old teacher



Lori Stambaugh 4 year-old teacher











Classroom Aides Left to right Nancy Rost, 3 year-olds Joann Passariello, 4 year-olds Katie Paxton, 4 year-olds Allison Lehr, 2 year-olds Catie Skehan, 2 year-olds

2020 Calendar Sale Benefits Preschool and Food Pantry

The Capital Campaign Committee has prepared 2020 calendars *Italian Holiday* 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. We are seeking a \$20 donation for each calendar. For those who like to give gifts, one of St. Paul's calendars can be given or sent through the mail. Last year a person gave them as gifts to family members with gift cards attached to the recipient's birthday month and wedding anniversary month. One calendar gift took care of three gift giving 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 is a way for members who are unable to financially contribute to the Capital Campaign to do so in a significant and meaningful way. Some of the original art work will be used to generate energy and competition for next year's Italian Family Night Dinner to be held on October 17, 2020. Remember all proceeds donated through the Calendar drive go to underwrite the costs associated with the renovation of the preschool and Food Pantry. Please don't hesitate or procrastinate this is an opportunity to share with others the story of what God is doing through the St. Paul's Lutheran faith community.

Last year's calendar paintings, donated by Pastor Reep, were auctioned off at the recent Harvest Wine Dinner. A total of \$10,500 was raised from their sale!



Available Altar Flower Dates

Thank you for the generous gift of flowers for our chancel. There are also many special occasions of joy and gladness for which flowers can be provided. We are also aware of days that bring with them sadness and loss. In our community of faith we remember all of them. If you would like to contribute flowers in memory or in celebration simply sign up on the Springettsbury bulletin board or contact the church office to secure a date. At this printing dates available are: November 3, 17, December 8, 15, 22, 24, and many dates in 2020. Once again thank you for the beautiful gift of flowers for the chancel.



YOUTH FALL FUN

Create Music and Art at St. Paul's

Tuesday Evening Program

The Tuesday Evening program for our children continues on Tuesdays at 6:00 PM. The arts component of the program is led by Kelly Moore-Spencer and the music component is led by Emily Reep.

The sessions break out as follows:

PreK - Grade 1

6:00 – 6:30 PM Music Room, Main Level 6:30 -7:00 PM Art/Youth Room, Upper Level

Grades 2 – 6

6:00-6:30 PM Art/Youth Room, Upper Level 6:30-7:15 PM (Handbells, drums, & songs) Music Room, Main Level

This year the Creative Art part for both groups will be designed around STORYTELLING:

Pre – K through Grade 1

Each Tuesday a bible story will be presented with props, movements, costumes or puppets. After listening to the bible story, the children will get to create a craft that was part of the story. To help the children learn the story it may be told for several weeks through a different creative means. Some evenings they may even help to act the story out. Parents are asked to stay and participate with their children for this portion of the program.

Grade 2 – 6

During the Fall session the youth will be using their creative minds to listen, learn and create the characters and scene for a Bible story from the stories associated with the Jessie Tree.

Please let Miss Kelly or Mrs. Reep know if your child is planning on attending.

Adrenaline Trampoline Park—Call and Sign Up Now! Sunday, November 24

2:00 p.m. till 3:30 p.m. \$15 per person – includes 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ hour of jumping and grip socks Sign up no later than Sunday, November 10

Family Fun! Bring your family and enjoy an afternoon of healthy fun! Adrenaline offers performance trampolines, foam pits, battle beams and a rock wall. Last year the parents and kids had fun jumping, playing dodge ball and rock climbing together.

Let Miss Kelly know if you want to attend by Sunday, November 10.

Garden of Memory- On November 1, 2009 we celebrated the completion of the columbarium on the corner of our property at S. George Street and Springettsbury Avenue, making an improvement to both the neighborhood and our beautiful grounds. Responsible stewardship of the creation God gave us grows, making cremation a popular choice for the "end of life" decisions. It is not or ever will be our intent to make a profit from this service. The intent is to offer an affordable and dignified alternative to current members, former members, and faithful friends. As the pricing was in 2009, it remains the same today, ranging from \$250 to \$1500. If you have spiritual concerns regarding cremation Pastor Reep (717-843-8155) will personally meet with you to answer your questions. Should you want to pursue the details of this service, we have a packet of information that will be provided to you by calling the church office to pick up or have it sent (717-843-8155). The current membership of the Columbarium committee is Tom Ruth, Pastor Reep, Bob Little, Ron Sturges and Larry Gross, all of whom will be glad to answer your questions and/or help you with the documentation should your choice be cremation and internment in our Garden of Memory.

2020 Church Offering Envelopes

Church offering envelopes for the 2020 calendar year are prepared and will be available on the day of the Annual Meeting, November 17. They will be ready for pick up in the Good Shepherd Gathering Place. 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, Peter O'Conor, for instructions. Thanks in advance for taking responsibility and securing your envelope packet for 2020 and for your faithful support of St. Paul's mission and ministry.



Poinsettia Orders—Decorating our beautiful church chancel and nave with brilliant red poinsettias is a Christmas tradition at St. Paul's. With the joyful anticipation of celebrating the Nativity of our Lord we are asking you to contribute a poinsettia. Plants this year remain at \$10. An order form accompanies this newsletter. 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.

Cost is \$10.00 per plant. They will be RED in color.	±
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Total # of Plants @ \$10.00 each = \$ Checks made payable to St. Paul's Lutheran Church The completed order form with payment attached may be placed in the offering plate or returned to the church office.	ı 7
Orders due by Sunday, December 1st	-

The Chancel Choir has Thursday night rehearsals beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the Music Room. Anyone is invited to sing in the choir. Most of the choir members do read music but that is not mandatory. A love of singing and making music for the Lord is the heart and soul of the choir.

The Handbell Choir has Thursday night rehearsals at 6:30 p.m. There are still some openings available for anyone wishing to join the ensemble. For additional information contact Emily Reep.

Sunday, November 24, 7:00 PM—York County Senior Honors Choir presents PERPETUAL LIGHT....music to inspire and find hope in our future through the youth of York County. Among the selections to be presented is Gabriel Fauré's *Requiem*. In 2014, Honors Choir members, alumni, and friends were privileged to perform this beautiful piece at La Madeleine in Paris where the *Requiem* was first performed in 1888. This encore presentation will be accompanied by St. Paul's organist Victor Fields and will feature Honors Choir alumnus and Juilliard School of Music graduate Gregory Feldmann as baritone soloist.

York County Senior Honors Choir is comprised of 100 auditioned singers in grades 10-12, representing the many school districts and homeschool students of York County, developing appreciation of community, volunteerism, cooperation, diversity, and music education.

Sunday, December 8 starting @ **3:00pm and 7:00pm**, The York College Choral Department will present 2 identical concerts featuring the York College Chorale, The York College Chamber Singers and the Vocca Bella Women's Chorus in a holiday choral program. The Choral Department is offering 2 concerts this year as there was a record overflow attendance in December of 2018.



A presentation by Tammi Morris of Habitat for Humanity will take place on November 3rd between services from 9:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. in Christ Hall. Tammi will be updating us on the York City rebuilding project of 16 townhomes among other initiatives. Please plan to attend.

Pastor Tom McKee's Retirement Liturgy -Hosted by St. Paul's September 22, 7:00 p.m.

Pictured at the altar from left to right:

Rev. Dr. Lowell Almen
Retired ELCA secretary
Rev. James Dunlop
Bishop, Lower Susquehanna Synod
Lucinda Bringman
Vice President, Lower Susquehanna Synod



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Worship Schedule

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