

Our Church

St. Paul's Lutheran Church
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March 2023
 8:00 & 10:30 AM Sunday Holy Eucharist
 10:30 AM—Live Streamed YouTube
 Holy Days as announced



LENT 2023 **Wednesdays**

6:00 PM Soup Supper
6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal—Music Room
7:00 PM Vespers—Church Nave

Hosted by St. Paul's Lutheran Church
25 W. Springettsbury Ave, York

Live stream: YouTube: St. Paul's Lutheran Church - South George St. York
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYCFdMzkJo_Xvbdkxn2IYIg

St. Paul's, York

St. Peter's, York

Christ, Manchester

Grace, York

DATE	Theme	PREACHER	TEXT	LEADER
March 1	Death Came Through One; Life Comes Through One	Rev. Beth Schlegel	Romans 5:12-19	Rev. Stan Reep
March 8	The Promise to Those Who Share Abraham's Faith	Christopher Waddail	Romans 4:1-5, 13-17	Rev. Beth Schlegel
March 15	Reconciled to God by Christ's Death	Tristian Ericson	Romans 5:1-11	Rev. William Snyder
March 22	Awake from Sleep, Live as Children of Light	Rev. Stan Reep	Ephesians 5:8-14	Rev. William Snyder
March 29	Life in the Spirit	Nancy Bennett	Romans 8:6-11	Rev. Beth Schlegel

Wednesday Mid-Week Lent Beginning March 1

The Wednesdays of Lent offer opportunities to strengthen Christian fellowship. A simple supper of soup and bread will be held in Christ Hall at 6:00 PM. Volunteers are needed to sign up to bring soup and bread for each of the five Wednesdays. We will need at least three crock pots of soup for each week. Following the supper persons willing to form a small choir will prepare and sing a setting of the appointed Psalm at the 7:00 PM liturgy. That group will rehearse in the Music Room at 6:30 PM. Others may wish to remain around the dinner table and share in conversation. Evening Prayer, Vespers, will be held in the church nave at 7:00 PM. We have invited the congregations of Grace, St. Peter's and Christ Manchester to join us for all or part of the evening. Nancy Bennett, Tristan Ericson, and Christopher Waddail will join Pastor Schlegel and Pastor Reep in presenting homilies during the Lenten season. For those who cannot join in person please do join us through the live stream at 7:00 PM. If you would like to provide soup for one on the Wednesdays in Lent please contact the church office. Thank you in advance for joining in the meal preparations, the Psalm singing, and offering your prayer and thanksgiving to God.

Neighbors Helping Neighbors Pantry Food Box Project

Giving alms has been a Lenten discipline for centuries. This year one form of alms giving at St. Paul's is through the Neighbors helping Neighbors Pantry Food Box Project. During the 5 weeks of lent we are asking you to add some items each week to your grocery list. The cost of the items works out to about \$10 per week or \$1.30 per day (and significantly less for the thrifty shopper). Collection boxes designated for this purpose will be available for pick up in the Good Shepherd Room. Simply take a box and add the items to it each week. During Holy Week bring your filled box back to the church and place it in the designated location. Please do provide all of the items listed weekly on the grocery list so that every neighbor receiving a box receives the same items. Thank you for your participation and generosity. The items needed are:



Grocery List Week 1

- 2 cans fruit
- 2 cans peas
- 1 salty snack

Grocery List Week 2

- 1 can chopped tomatoes
- 1 jar spaghetti sauce
- 1 box pasta

Grocery List Week 3

- 1 bottle cooking oil
- 1 bag egg noodles
- 2 cans tuna or chicken
- 2 cans cream soup

Grocery List Week 4

- 1 box instant oatmeal packages
- 1 box pancake mix
- 1 bottle syrup
- 1 bottle juice

Grocery List Week 5

- 1 two pound bag rice
- 1 bag instant mashed potatoes
- 1 cake mix
- 1 package cookies (Easter is coming)

Make this recipe for yourself and pray for our Food Pantry Neighbors who will also be making this recipe.

Tuna or Chicken Noodle Casserole Recipe:

Ingredients: *Recipe serves 8. Halve the recipe for 4 servings.*

- 4 cups hot cooked medium egg noodles
- 2 (10.5 ounce) cans Creamed Soup
- 2 (10 ounce) cans tuna, drained
- 2 cups canned or frozen peas
- 1 cup milk
- 2 tablespoons dry bread crumbs 1 tablespoon butter, melted

Directions

Step 1 Preheat the oven to 400 degrees F (200 degrees C).

Step 2 Stir cooked noodles, condensed soup, tuna, peas, and milk in a 3-quart casserole.

Step 3 Bake in the preheated oven until hot, about 30 minutes; stir well.

Step 4 Mix breadcrumbs with melted butter in a bowl; sprinkle over tuna casserole and continue to bake until bread crumbs are golden brown and crispy, 5 minutes more

Tips In place of buttered breadcrumbs, top with 1/2 cup shredded Cheddar cheese. Substitute about 2 cups of cooked cubed chicken or Swanson Chunk Chicken, drained, for tuna.

Prayer: Dear Lord, As we journey through this Lenten Season, please be with our neighbors who find it necessary to come to St. Paul's Food Pantry to supplement their weekly groceries. May they be fed with good food and may they know your love. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.



Valentine's Day Young Adults Dinner



The Witness Committee provided dinner on Valentine's weekend for the young adults of the congregation. A dozen couples enjoyed an evening in the Fellowship Hall.

The children had their own special Valentine's event in the Youth room with games and crafts overseen by Miss Kelly.

**A huge thank-you to all those who helped and supported the Valentine's dinner and childcare!
You made this a truly memorable event.**



EASTER FLOWER ORDER

Indicate the total number of flowers desired:

_____ Hyacinth _____ Lilies
 _____ Tulips _____ Daffodils

Flowers are \$15.00
Please make check payable to St. Paul's
Lutheran Church

I desire that my plant(s) be listed: (please print clearly)

Number of plants _____ in Honor of:

Number of plants _____ in Loving Memory of:

Number of plants _____ Dedicated to the Glory of God

From _____

Amount Paid: Cash _____ Check _____

Orders are due Sunday, March 19, 2023

Plants may be picked up after the
 Easter Service on April 9th



A Partnership Between Local Churches & LifePath Thrift Stores

Corners of Your Field is a partnership opportunity between local churches and LifePath Christian Ministries. Corners of Your Field encourages attendees of our partner churches to be intentional about selecting their gently used household items as a donation to LifePath Thrift Stores. The stores then return a portion of the value of these items in the form of gift cards to your church to help those directly in your care.

How Does the Partnership Work?

Individuals or families donate their gently used items to LifePath Thrift Stores (formerly York Rescue Mission). Three locations: 2414 Eastern Boulevard, 283 West Market Street, and 241 Pauline Drive.

The LifePath Thrift Stores employee serving them will ask the name of their church. (St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 25 W Springettsbury Ave, York). We need to be specific as there are multiple St. Paul's Lutheran Churches.

This Quarter we received \$20 in gift cards due to 7 donations that were given to LifePath in our name.

Donors are still able to take advantage of the tax-deduction with every gift to LifePath Thrift Stores. St. Paul's is signed up to partner with LifePath. Please keep LifePath in mind when you are cleaning out/ decluttering. Visit LifePathYork.org for additional information.



A gathering of women to share
fellowship and talents.

Camp Kirchenwald

Friday, March 17 - Sunday, March 19, 2023

Cost of the full weekend (Fri-Sun) is \$180.
Two days (Fri-Sat or Sat-Sun) is \$110.
One day (Sat, 9am-4pm) is \$65.

Register by March 10

Registration forms are available at
LutheranCamping.org or by calling
the Camping Office at 717-677-8211

Camp Director visits St. Paul's March 26



**The Lutheran Camping Corporation
of Central Pennsylvania**

Kirchenwald, Nawakwa, & The Wittel Farm

The Director of Camp Kirchenwald, Zach Weis, will be at St. Paul's on Sunday March 26. Zach will lead the children of the parish during the Sunday school time in a variety of activities. The hope is that through their time together the children of the congregation will get a flavor of church camp. This educational time could lead to more of our children being willing to sign up for a week of summer camp. Camp registration forms are available from Miss Kelly. The forms detail the weeks of camp, the themes, and the age requirements. Beyond the registration fee the cost associated with church camp for our children has historically been underwritten by the congregation. Please see Miss Kelly for more information on camp and its costs. Zach has a great deal of energy, is highly committed to Christ Jesus and his love for all people. Zach will also serve as guest preacher for the day. Please do mark your calendar and plan to attend Sunday school and worship on Sunday March 26.

Earth Day Celebration Camp Kirchenwald Sunday April 23, 2023 from 2:00 – 6:00 PM



Enjoy an afternoon of environmental activities, games, and crafts at one of our favorite places, Camp Kirchenwald. The entire afternoon is given over to being in God's beautiful outdoors. This is a great opportunity to get acquainted with the camp, the grounds, and the staff. An evening meal is included in the \$15 fee. All ages are welcome and you can RSVP at 717-677-8211 or LutheranCamping.org by April 14.

The Lutheran Camping Corporation provides a creative, Christ-centered ministry for people in all stages of life, in partnership and cooperation with congregations and individuals, for the service and proclamation of the Gospel.

New Members Class Beginning February 26

During the season of Lent Pastor Reep will lead a class for those seeking to unite with St. Paul's as well as those seeking additional information on the ministry carried out in Christian love. The classes will be held in the Community Room on the Lower Level at 9:15 AM. Those wishing to Unite with St. Paul's Lutheran Church will do so at the combined 9:15 AM liturgy on Palm Sunday, April 2. If you are interested in becoming a member of St. Paul's Church please notify the church office or speak with Pastor Reep.



The schedule of discussion topics follows:

- February 26 The Church & the Lutheran Reformation
- March 5 The Sacraments: Holy Baptism & Holy Communion
- March 12 Introductions to committee chairs and a tour of the building
- March 19 St. Paul's Beginnings and our mission approaching 200 years
- March 26 Renewal & Renovation, Current and Future Ministry Plans



Are you missing one of these?
April showers are on the way!



You may get information regarding closures at our website www.stpaulsyork.org or on our Facebook page St. Paul's Lutheran Church York PA on Springettsbury & George.

Nursery Volunteers Needed

We are looking for volunteers for the 10:30 AM service on Sundays.. If you are interested in volunteering or finding out more information, please contact Carrie Oberholtzer at 610-223-2304 or obie1986@hotmail.com.



2023 Calendars

Please take calendars with you to use as an evangelism tool to assist you in talking about the Lord, Christ Jesus, and the ministry that is carried out in his name through our congregation. This is a fabulous tool to assist you with talking about faith and life with neighbors and friends. With the calendar in hand you can easily talk about the desire to provide a canopy to provide protection from sun, rain and snow! Our neighbors, who come to St. Paul's shopping for food without money (just like the prophet proclaims), will benefit greatly from a monetary donation. It doesn't really matter the dollar amount. What is important is for us to tell the story of how we are doing what Jesus commands, feeding the hungry. The calendar recipient will enjoy 12 months of original art work.



Cookman Aveue, Chautauqua, New York



Web Page Update

We are happy to report that St. Paul's new and improved webpage is mobile and up and running. Please sign on to www.stpaulsyork.org and check it out. There is so much information and great pictures in the Gallery and on the slideshow. You will find the monthly newsletter in color, weekly bulletins, monthly calendar and a link to Facebook and the Sunday service on YouTube. Hopefully, you will find the new webpage helpful and refer to it often.

Getting to know
PATEE PIZZIRUSSO



If you phone the church office or stop by during the week you will likely be welcomed by church secretary Patee Pizzirusso. Beginning her employment in 2015, she efficiently accomplishes the countless number of “behind the scenes” tasks that hold the life of St. Paul’s church together. She modestly spoke of the total staff and how everyone effectively works together and supports one another.

Patee and her twin brother, Stephen, were born prematurely in St. Vincent’s hospital, New York City, New York. After being transferred to a foundling hospital they were adopted by a loving couple who became mom and dad. Patee laughed that they got two for the price of one! The twins grew up in Oceanside and then Rockville Center on Long Island. She graduated from St. Agnes, a catholic high school. Sadly, when the twins were thirteen years old, their mom died. At that time, Patee taught herself to sew, giving her the wardrobe she needed for after school events. Her sewing skills evolved into a career and became a life-long passion. After high school graduation she began work as a manager of a medical office in addition to designing and creating costumes for local high schools and theater groups. She was also

a singer and actress for many years. In her late 20’s she had the opportunity to attend the Fashion Institute of Technology in New York. (As you can tell, Patee likes to be busy!!)

When asked how she met her husband, the following story was shared. Patee was working on costumes for a show in New York. A friend who was working on lighting for the same show told her that he was going to a Halloween party with a friend named Domenic. Both men needed black suits for the party so they came to Patee. And that’s how she and Domenic met! In 1994 they had a beautiful Renaissance themed wedding in a hotel that looked like a castle in New Jersey. All members of the wedding party and guests were asked to attend in Renaissance costume. Patee joked that she was the bride, made the costumes for the wedding party and wound up costuming most of the guests!

Patee and Dominic are the parents of Ryan and Shannon (called Peeps) and a dog named Scruffee. Ryan is currently a robotics engineer in Seattle. Shannon is a strings teacher in Arizona. Some of St. Paul’s members may recall times that Shannon and Amelia Reep sang duets together in church.

Patee and Dominic moved to York because of needing a larger house (her dad was living with them) and desiring a different school situation for their children. She is currently a member of Canadochly Lutheran Church. She worked for a couple of years at Christ Lutheran in Elizabethtown, commuting each day from York. When the job opened up at St. Paul’s she was immediately interested.

She declared that she loves working at St. Paul’s. She appreciates the caring and commitment of the congregation! We certainly appreciate her and all that she does!!



Sunday Morning Education Hour 9:15-10:15 AM.

Come join in the fun and learning.

Our children infant through grade 6 will spend this winter and spring learning many of the teachings of Jesus. Relationship building is also emphasized as the children play and work together. Each class has a team of 3 or 4 adults who share the responsibility of leading these early learners. The classes all meet on the Upper Level. Infant-Preschool; Kindergarten-Grade 2; Grades 3-6.

Practicing Our Faith: Pastor Reep spoke about “Practice” in his sermon on February 5th. Practicing the flute, basketball moves, speaking a new language all help to improve our skills. Practicing our Faith is also important. Coming to church weekly, praying together in community, sharing in the Eucharist are all important ways we do that. Pastor Reep practices the Lord’s Prayer during chapel with the preschool children each week. During worship observe parents encouraging their small children to stand during the Lord’s Prayer and join in the community praying together. Choosing parts of the service like praying the Lord’s Prayer with our children help them to “Practice” their faith. Lent is a good time to “Practice” the faith in new ways. Take time this Lent to pray with your family. Pray for the neighbors who use our pantry for much needed food each week. Pray the Lord’s Prayer around your dinner table or use the special Lenten meal-time prayer included with this newsletter. May Lent provide us all many opportunities to practice our faith.

Lenten Table Prayer

L: I was hungry,
R: And you gave me food.
L: I was thirsty.
R: And you gave me drink.
L: I was a stranger.
R: And you welcomed me.
L: I was naked
R: And you clothed me.
L: I was ill.
R: And you comforted me.
L: I was in jail.
R: And you came to see me.

Lord Jesus Christ,

May our Lenten fasting turn us toward all our brothers and sisters who are in need.

Bless this table, our good food, and our lives. Send us through Lent with good cheer and bring us to the fullness of your Passover.



HOLY WEEK ADVENTURES

St. Paul’s Lutheran Church Holy Week Adventures

Children age 2 through Grade 6 and their parents.

Saturday April 1, 2023
9:00-11:30 AM

Enter through the Springettsbury Ave. doors

R.S.V.P. to the church office by March 15
St.paulsyork@comcast.net or 717-843-8155

Children will engage with the Bible stories that shape Holy Week:
Triumphal Entry, Foot Washing, Passover, and Easter

Weekday Bible Study:

Come join this group any Wednesday as we read the Bible lessons for Sunday and talk about their meaning in our lives.



GOD'S GLOBAL BARNYARD – WHO BENEFITS?

The answer to that question is EVERYONE! The 3rd - 6th grades Sunday school class who led this mission project! All of you who gave so generously! The worldwide farmers who receive these gifts as an expression of God's love!

With a total of \$1,200, the class voted for the following:
5 chicks, 1 rooster, 2 goats, 1 piglet, 2 honey-
bee colonies, and, finally, 1 fish farm and 1
family farm



You may wonder just what a fish farm is. It includes a pond, training, and a few fast growing fish such as tilapia. Soon the pond will provide the community with a longtime supply of fish, rich in vitamins, minerals, and protein.

And a family farm? A cow, a couple goats, a dozen chicks, two pigs, farming tools, seeds and agricultural training will produce eggs, milk, and meat to eat and sell plus an increased harvest.

Yes, EVERYONE benefits! Thanks to all who participated in this important mission work.

Music and Create

It has been so nice seeing everyone at Music and Create on Tuesday evenings. During the month of March, the children preschool through grade 6 will meet on Tuesday the 7, 14, 21 and 28. On **Sunday, March, 19th** all the children will be singing at the 10:30am Liturgy. On March 28th both age groups will be together to sing and create a special Easter treat that they can take home and enjoy with their families. During Create the children will be hearing and making their own story books that will guide them in their own Lenten journey. In music the children will continue to explore different musical parts of the worship service by playing different musical instruments and singing a variety of songs.



Upcoming Dates

Tuesday, April 4th NO MUSIC AND CREATE

Tuesday, April 11th normal Music and Create session

Tuesday, April 18 both groups will be together to sing and do an Earth Day project

Tuesday, April 25th normal Music and Create session

Sunday, April 30th Preschool Sunday, All the children will be singing during the 10:30am Liturgy

Tuesday, May 2nd normal Music and Create session

Tuesday, May 9th both groups will be together to sing and do a special Spring project

Sunday, May 14th Mother's Day - All the children will be singing during the 10:30am Liturgy

It is always a joy singing and creating with your children.
Mrs. Jones and Miss Kelly

Congregation Council Highlights

Church council met at President Ann Anstadt's home for their February meeting.

Financial Report: Peter O'Connor reported that \$10,950 was wired to Mpguso for the completion of the roof, and \$9,000 for scholarships. The Finance Committee is pursuing options regarding an efficient and cost effective audit. RKL, the audit firm we have used in the past is no longer willing to perform our audit.

Safety Ad hoc Committee: Following up on the Ushers requested guidance on safety recommendations will be sought from the insurance carrier, police and fire departments. Current AED training needs to be provided for the ushers.

Preschool Committee: During the January meeting the preschool teachers noted an increase of special needs students, and the lack of training and resources available to assist those students. The ECLA networking group for preschools will be the first contact step in the process of seeking support for the educators and the students.

Worship Committee: A request was made from Worship Committee for the following purchases: Altar fair linen, server vestments, and oil fill candles for the aisle posts. These purchases will be financed through the Memorial Fund. Also recommended that there be one liturgy on Psalm Sunday and Easter at 9:15 AM Memorial Day weekend and Labor Day weekend will have one combined liturgy at 9:15 AM.



Sabbatical Planning Update

The committee met on February 16. As expected there are some up-dates and changes. The Summer schedule for Preaching, Presiding, and Pastoral Care is complete. The **Kick-off Event** for Pastor Reep's Sabbatical is scheduled for May 28th, Memorial Day, Pastor's last Sunday worship. The congregation will have fellowship time following a combined 9:15 AM liturgy to wish Pastor Reep well, and meet the pastors who will be covering worship and pastoral care. Pastor Reep returns to his office on September 5th. We want to have children's sermons throughout the summer. We know that many of you have skills and gifts working with children. Pastor Reep is preparing a summer schedule if you would like to help by providing a children's sermon during a Sunday or two while he is on sabbatical please contact Pastor Reep. **The Return Event**, Pastor's first worship, will be September 10th with "God's Work Our Hands." The members of the Sabbatical Planning Committee are Tristan Ericson, Janet Fitch, Amy Lipp, Pastor Reep, and Steve Schedin.



Travel to Tanzania in 2024 Visit Our Sister Congregation

The second meeting for those interested in traveling to Tanzania to visit our sister congregation will be held on Sunday April 23 following the 10:30AM liturgy. At that time we will be sharing a rough itinerary and a more accurate estimate of costs associated with the trip. Things to begin for those interested in travel:

- Keep the month of June 2024 free of commitments until the itinerary is confirmed.
- Secure a valid US Passport.
- Start saving now for the trip.
- Look at a map of Tanzania and locate the area to be visited.
- Pray for the members and friends of the Mpguso Lutheran congregation.

Konde Updates

Raising the Roof

Thank you, members of St. Paul's, for your generosity in helping our sisters and brothers at Mpuguso Lutheran Church raise the roof on their new church building. Our congregation was able to send them a wire transfer of \$10,950, which translates into \$25,597,018.30 Tanzanian Shillings. This amount is more than enough to purchase the materials for the roof and to pay for the roof installation. The Mpuguso congregation is ecstatic to receive this gift and is most thankful for it. They hope that they will be able to be in their new church building in time to celebrate our Lord's Resurrection – as long as the weather during this their rainy season cooperates. This gift was made possible through memorial gifts given in memory of Bill Banta, who was an avid supporter of our partnership relationship, and through the faithful giving of St. Paul's members to the Raise the Roof Appeal. Thank you. Special thanks to Nancy Banta for designating Bill's memorial gifts to the Mpuguso Fund.



Remember in your prayers

Some of you may remember Elisha Mwamwaja, a stalwart member of the Mpuguso congregation, who visited St. Paul's several years ago. Elisha and Joe Moyer are largely responsible for the success of the partnership between Mpuguso and St. Paul's. They have communicated regularly through emails for many, many years, keeping both congregations aware of the each's ministries as well as the unity we share in Christ Jesus. Elisha is now 85 years old, a very significant age in Tanzania, and he has been experiencing some health problems. He recently has had difficulty recovering from a bout with the flu. Please keep Elisha in your prayers, asking God to heal and strengthen him.

Scholarships Awarded to Fourteen Konde Students

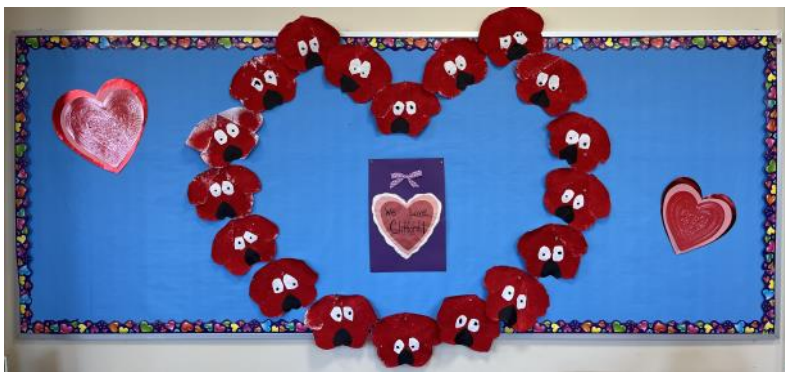
St. Paul's congregation recently sent the Konde Diocese \$9,000 for scholarships for children of pastors and church workers in the Konde Diocese to attend secondary school. Bishop Mwaikahaba selected fourteen youth to receive scholarships. Two are for students to whom St. Paul's has provided scholarship support in the past; these two students are at Mafinga School and Sakambona Secondary School. Twelve of the scholarship recipients are beginning their education at Manow Lutheran Junior Seminary, the secondary school sponsored by the Konde Diocese. All twelve of these students are in Form One. Because of your generosity, you are giving these youth the opportunity to get ahead in life. They know that education is the key to success. Bishop Mwaikahaba has as one of his priorities the strengthening of Manow Lutheran Junior Seminary. Its existence is important to the Diocese. Of the 26 students at Manow, St. Paul's is sponsoring twelve. The bishop is so grateful that your generosity is also helping to strengthen this important institution of the Diocese. Pastor Meshack Njinga is chairperson of the Manow Board of Directors.

Studying in the States

Studying in the United States offers pastors and churchworkers from the Konde Diocese an opportunity to increase their knowledge and experience. Their knowledge and experience have benefitted the Konde Diocese and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania. Eight pastors have received advance degrees at the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, one pastor received education at York College (sponsored by St. Paul's), and one teacher attended Millersville University. Pastor Meshack Njinga now serves as Dean (Assistant to the Bishop) of the Konde Diocese. You can be proud! The first student, Pastor Ambele Mwaipopo, who graduated in 1995, now serves as bishop of the Lake Tanganyika Diocese; and Pastor Imani Chibona, who graduated in 2009, is now Dean (Assistant to the Bishop) of the Lake Tanganyika Diocese.



During February, the Preschool children learned about community helpers such as doctors, nurses, postal workers and garbage collectors. We even had a special visit from the York City Police Department with their therapy dogs, Victory and Bennie. They also learned about God's Love for us and one another as we celebrated Valentine's Day. The children made hearts and shared Valentine cards. In addition, the students learned about Black History Month and the importance of the African Americans' contributions. Did you know the Three-Position Traffic Signal was invented by an African American named, Garrett Morgan? We ended February celebrating and observing President's Day.



We would also like to thank the Parent Group and everyone who supported the Krispy Kreme fundraiser and donated to the preschool. In total, the fundraiser and donations totaled over \$630!

Love is still in the air, but spring is on the way. The staff and children are looking forward to warmer weather and outdoor adventures. Don't forget to turn your clocks forward 1 hour on

Sunday, March 12. In the month of March, we will begin talking about weather and winds and if the month comes in or goes out like a Lamb or a Lion. We will also be celebrating Dr. Seuss's Birthday with books like, The Cat in the Hat, Green Eggs and Ham and Red Fish Blue Fish. The preschool will be asking the students to donate a book for children in need. Our slogan of the week will be, Read one, read two, one for me and one for you. St. Patrick's Day will also be discussed and the children will have some fun crafts to make and dance like Leprechauns. At the end of March, we will begin talking about spring.

As April approaches, the teachers will focus more on the signs of spring and Easter. Stay tuned for our sandwich and sub fundraiser in April.

We also opened registration for the 2023-2024 school year for our current and new preschool families. If you know anyone interested in our Preschool, please have them contact us at 717-854-1996.

Think Spring, The Preschool Staff





Food Pantry—Winter

Items needed: CANNED FRUIT, Rice, beans, Tomato sauce, pasta, mashed potato mix.

We also need paper grocery bags with handles and plastic bags.

Anyone able to help can contact Teresa Rohrbaugh, Patty Snyder, or Janet and Larry Moore. Money donations are gratefully accepted. Please place cash or check in a “special” envelope marked “Pantry”.

2023 Flower Chart

The 2023 flower chart is posted on the Springettsbury vestibule bulletin board. The cost of the flowers is **\$35 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 last liturgy or you may have them given to someone who is sick, shut in, or hospitalized. If you wish, you can contact the office to reserve a date, and to provide us with all of the correct information for inclusion in the Sunday bulletin.



Please remember to notify Pastor Reep of any life events, illnesses, joys or concerns.

Call the office 717-843-8155 or email st.paulsyork@comcast.net



I just had to write and say thank you for an amazing valentine dinner. It was absolutely wonderful. The food was great, it was so pretty and we all had such a good time. The girls really had a good time too. Thank you to all the volunteers and everyone who

helped make the night so special
Johanna, Josh, Melanie and Naomi



Ukraine Offering

Offerings to give aid to Ukrainian refugees, orphans, widows and humanitarian help can be given through St. Paul's website www.stpaulsyork.org by selecting the designated button or through our pew envelopes marking them “Ukraine”.



Once again, we are able to open our doors to groups for concerts and events. Our newly renovated building serves as a venue to reach out to the neighborhood and strengthen our commitment to serve our community. We need volunteers to staff a Hospitality Team for these events. As a member of the Hospitality Team you would greet and welcome our guests and offer assistance to help them while they are in the building. You would not be required to attend every event. A St.

Paul's staff member would be in charge of the team for each event.

This is a great way to introduce our church to the community and also attend some wonderful events. Please let the office know if you would be interested in serving on the Hospitality Team.

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