

WELCOME TO ST. PAUL EPISCOPAL CHURCH

WELCOME. In the name of Christ, we offer you welcome to this church. May those who sorrow, find comfort; the weary, rest; the troubled, peace; the stranger, friends; the unhappy, joy; and to all, the sense of God's presence in this Holy Place. If you are new to this parish community, please give your name and phone number to the Rector or sign our guest register on the stand in the back of the Church. As our honored guest, we want to welcome you.

THE SERVICE. There are two main books used for our service; the smaller red book is the *Book of Common Prayer* and the larger blue book is the *Hymnal*. There is also a *Gray Hymnal*. They can be found in the bookrack on the back of the pew in front of you. A *Bible* can be found at the ends of the pew. The page / hymn numbers in the service bulletin help you find your place in these service books. We invite you to participate fully in our worship.

RECEIVING COMMUNION. Holy Communion in the Episcopal Church is open to all who are comfortable participating in the Communion of the Lords' Table. To receive communion, please form two lines in the center aisle and approach the front of the Celebration Altar. Please stand with one hand cupped on top of the other to receive the consecrated bread from the Celebrant. Then step to the side to the Eucharistic Minister and **take** the chalice and drink from it; or you may intinct the bread by dipping it in the consecrated wine. If you do not wish to receive Holy Communion, please come forward for a blessing (fold your arms across your chest to indicate that you do not wish to receive Holy Communion). Return to your pew by way of the side aisles.

The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

August 11, 2019

9:00 a.m.

Opening Hymn "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

Hymn 688

Call to Worship

Presider: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**All: And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and forever.
Amen.**

Presider: Gracious God, help us find faith.

All: And let faith find us!

Presider: O God, we pray for vision and discernment in our spiritual walk with you.

**All: Give us the wisdom to employ our gifts for good
and give us the faith to spread the good news of Jesus
Christ.**

Presider: Come into the Lord's presence with glad and generous hearts as we thank God for God's creation.

All: And may we thank God for our place in God's creation. And thanks be to God for God's faith and for ours!

Collect for Purity

Prayer Book, page 355

Collect of the Day

First Reading Genesis 15:1-6

Insert

Psalm 33:12-22

Insert

Second Reading Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Insert

Gospel Hymn "Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks to the Risen Lord"

Hymn 178

Gospel Luke 12:32-40

Insert

Sermon

Rev. J. Patrick Peters

Nicene Creed

Prayer Book, page 358

Prayers of the People

Prayer Leader: Do not be afraid, children of Abraham and Sarah; God, your God, is your shield. So, let us approach our God in prayer.

Prayer Leader: As your Church, especially Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Audrey, our Bishop; James and Barbara, the Bishops of our Lutheran brothers and sisters; Ronald, the Bishop of our Roman Catholic brothers and sisters; clergy, especially Patrick, our Rector; Gina, Ingrid, Sud, Tim, Mark, Peter, Beth, John, and Nancy, the clergy of the Rim Parishes; and all our brothers and sisters of the Rim Parishes, we confess that we are strangers seeking a homeland. You call us to yourself and make us worthy of that heavenly city you have prepared for us. Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us;

All: We put our trust in you.

Prayer Leader: Mighty God, you behold all of the people in the world. May all our leaders, especially Donald, our President; the Congress and the Courts; Thomas our Governor; the Legislature of our Commonwealth; our Borough Council; Leo our Mayor, and all who wield power and authority in the world, come to understand that our strength is not found in violence or weapons but in the power of your love. Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us;

All: We put our trust in you.

Prayer Leader: Defend the orphans, O God; rescue the oppressed; show compassion to those who feel lonely or isolated. And let the heavens declare the rightness of your cause. Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us;

All: We put our trust in you.

Prayer Leader: Creator God, you are the one who made the stars of heaven and the sand by the seashore. We bless and honor you for the gifts of creation especially for...

(mention any thanksgivings [if any] listed under the heading of “thanksgivings”)

(then say: “the congregation is invited to add other blessings aloud or in silence”),

(then continue)

Comfort and heal the sick and the sorrowful. May they know that you are their help and shield. Deliver them from all fear and help them to trust in your righteousness. We pray especially for...

(read the names of the sick listed on the prayer list. Also read the names [if any] listed under “for the special needs of,” read the names [if any] listed under the heading of “for healthy pregnancy and safe delivery”)

(then say: “the congregation is invited to add others names aloud or in silence”),

(then continue)

Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. We praise you, God, that those who have died are welcomed home, where they will dwell with all men and women of faith in the city you have prepared for them. We honor and pray for...

(read the names of the departed listed on the prayer list)

(then say: “the congregation is invited to add others names aloud or in silence”),

(then continue)

Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us;

All: We put our trust in you.

Prayer Leader: To face the evil of life with the goodness you give. Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us;

All: We put our trust in you.

Prayer Leader: To face the poor with your unfailing hand. Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us;

All: We put our trust in you.

Prayer Leader: To face the promise of life with the courage you give. Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us;

All: We put our trust in you.

Prayer Leader: To face all peace with longing, as you do. Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us;

All: We put our trust in you.

Prayer Leader: That the Parish Family of Saint Paul the Apostle may take the time on their Way of Love to LEARN especially by reading the Scriptures daily. Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us;

All: We put our trust in you.

Prayer Leader: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

(a brief pause for the private confession of our sins)

Prayer of Confession

All: Holy God, make us a congregation willing to step out in faith and assist those who need our help.

We confess that as your people we often grope awkwardly for words inadequate to express our sympathy at others loss and grief.

Give us the courage to open our arms and surround others with compassion, even as we often struggle to comprehend the incomprehensible.

Make us mighty in faith as you made Abraham and Sarah.

Forgive us we pray.

Inspire in us a community of Jesus that embraces unity, rather than division; humility rather than pride – all in the faith of Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Absolution
The Peace

Prayer Book, page 332
Prayer Book, page 360

Greetings and Announcements

Offertory
Eucharistic Prayer C
Sursum Corda
Sanctus
Memorial Acclamation
The Great Amen
Our Father (Contemporary Version)
The Breaking of the Bread
Prayer of Humble Access
Communion
Prayer of Thanksgiving

Prayer Book, page 369
Hymnal S-130
Prayer Book, page 371
Prayer Book, page 372
Prayer Book, page 364
Prayer Book, page 364
Prayer Book, page 337

All: God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your

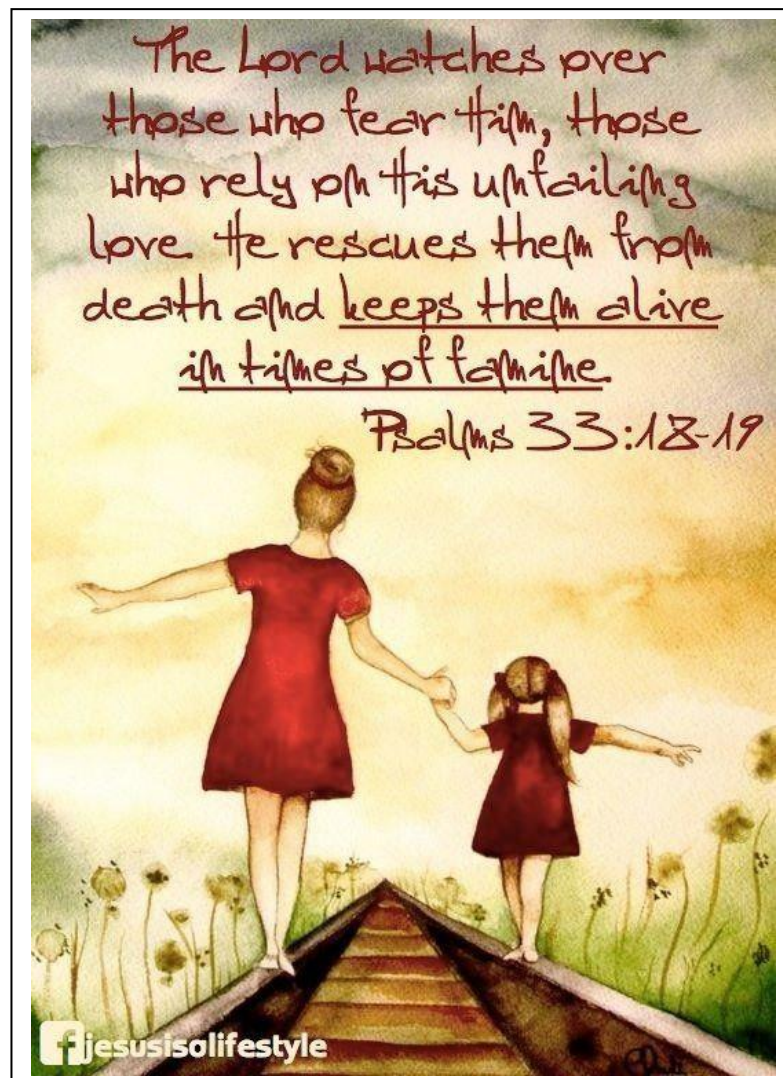
redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in
the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen

The Blessing

Closing Hymn "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"

Dismissal

Hymn 366



Prayer Requests August 11, 2019

Hospitalizations

Homebound

Delores Baker (Saint Anne); Ethel Edelman (Autumn House West)

Intercessions

Sue Ellen; Ruth; Ethel; Mike; Joann; Carolyn; Neil; Alf; DJ; Bryan; Bobby; Robert; Bently; Mitch; Toni; George; Janet; Father Patrick; Jean; Sophie; Bev

Birthday

8/11 Sophia Collier; 8/17 Vickie Stumpf

Anniversary

8/13 Tom and Tracy Witmer; 8/15 Bill and Christine Weinberg

Departed

Lester Dambach; George Noll

For Those in Positions of Public Trust

President Donald Trump; Governor Tom Wolf; Mayor Leo Lutz; All legislative bodies & all courts of law; for the leaders of all nations and people

For our Bishops, Rector, and Parish Members

The Most Rev. Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury and his staff; The Most Rev. Michael Curry and his staff; The Rt. Rev. Audrey Scanlan and her staff; The Rev. J. Patrick Peters; the staff and people of this parish, especially Mary Ann Ackerman; Bill and Dee Kaufhold and daughter Georgie; Tracy Witmer

World Cycle of Prayer

8/11 Italy; 8/12 Jamaica; 8/13 Japan; 8/14 Jordan; 8/15 Kazakhstan; 8/16 Kenya; 8/17 Kiribati

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

8/11 Pray for the united Church of South India, The Most Revd Thomas Kanjirappally Oommen - Moderator of CSI & Bishop of Madhya Kerala; 8/12 Ohio (The Episcopal Church), The Rt Revd Mark Hollingsworth; Bristol (England), The Very Revd Vivienne Faull; Bristol (England), The Rt Revd Lee Stephen Rayfield; Katanga (Congo), The Rt Revd Bertin Subi; Katanga (Congo), The Rt Revd Lawrence Elisha Tendwa; 8/13 Oji River (Nigeria), The Most Revd Amos Amankechinelo Madu; British Columbia (Canada), The Rt Revd Logan McMenamie; 8/14 Okene (Nigeria), The Rt Revd Emmanuel Onsachi; Buhiga (Burundi), The Rt Revd Evariste Nijimbere; Bujumbura (Burundi), The Rt Revd Eraste Bigirimana; 8/15 Oke-Ogun (Nigeria), The Ven Cornelius Adagbada; Bukavu (Congo), The Rt Revd Sylvestre Bahati; 8/16 Oke-Osun (Nigeria), The Rt Revd Abraham Akinlalu; Bukedi (Uganda), The Rt Revd Samuel Egesa;

Katsina (*Nigeria*), The Rt Revd Jonathan Bamaiyi; **8/17** Okigwe (*Nigeria*), The Rt Revd Edward Osuegbu; Okigwe North (*Nigeria*), The Rt Revd Godson Udochukwu Ukanwa; Okigwe South (*Nigeria*), The Rt Revd David Onuoha; Kebbi (*Nigeria*), The Most Revd Edmund Akanya

Ecumenical Cycle of Prayer

8/11 Bible Way Church of Our Lord Jesus Christ; 8/12 Calvary Holiness Association; 8/13 Christian City Churches; 8/14 Christ Gospel Churches International; 8/15 Christian Churches of North America; 8/16 Christian Congregation of Brazil; 8/17 Christian Revival Crusade

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer and Parish Cycle of Prayer:

St. Paul's, Philipsburg and their congregation; St. Paul's Lutheran (Missouri Synod), Columbia and their congregation

Companion Parish Cycle of Prayer:

Ecumenical:

Rev. Beth J. Costlow and the people of Saint John Lutheran Church, Columbia

Rev. Mark Kopp and the people of Saint James Lutheran Church, Columbia

Rev. Stephen Kelley and the people of Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church,
Columbia

Rev. Anthony Swamy Anthappa, MSFS and the people of Saint Peter Roman Catholic
Church, Columbia

Rev. David Powers and the people of The Columbia Presbyterian Church, Columbia

Rev. Thomas Grubbs and the people of The Columbia United Methodist Church,
Columbia

Rev. Patricia McAllister and the people of Mt. Zion A.M.E. Church, Columbia

Rev. Hub Smith and the people of The Columbia Christian Fellowship, Columbia

Rev. Greg Impink and the people of Ironville United Methodist Church, Columbia

Rev. Mary Ann Kingsborough and the people of Concordia Lutheran Church, Columbia

Rev. Dione Kleptka and the people of Saint John Herr Estate Retirement Community

Rim Parishes of the Lancaster Convocation:

Rev. Gina Bautista and the people of Saint John Episcopal Church, Marietta

Rev. Ingrid Andersen and the people of Saint Luke Episcopal Church, Mount Joy

Rev. Sud Tiwari and the people of Saint Paul Episcopal Church, Manheim

Rev. Tim Small and the people of Hope Episcopal Church, Mt. Hope

Rev. Mark Scheneman and the people of Bangor Church, Churchtown

and the Revs. Beth Mollard, Pete Greenfield, John Emmert, Ellie Garner and Nancy Rementer

Peace and Justice

South Sudan; Nigeria; Iraq; Israel; Kenya; Afghanistan; Palestine; Somalia; Iran; Libya; Syria; Egypt; Tunisia; Yemen; Ukraine; Venezuela; North Korea; Turkey

Amount needed each week to meet the 2018 **income budget**: \$2,763.00
 Amount budgeted each week from fundraisers and investment income: \$1,764.00
 Amount needed each week in pledge and plate to meet income budget: \$ 999.00

Amount needed each week to meet the 2018 **expense budget**: \$3,535.00
 Amount expected each week from fundraisers and investment income: \$1,764.00
 Amount needed each week in pledge and plate to meet expense budget: \$1,771.00

| | 08/04/19 | 08/05/18 |
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| St. John Herr Estate | 13 | 12 |
| 9:00 a.m. | <u>22</u> | <u>28</u> |
| | 35 | 40 |

Weekly Attendance: w/e 8/04/19: 75

Pledge and Plate: \$1,388.00 \$1,082.00

Be Thoughtful
Be Silent
Be Reverent.....
For this is the House of the Lord
Before the service,
speak to the Lord
During the service,
let the Lord speak to you
After the service,
speak to one another

REVERENT



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

August 17, 2019
St. John Herr Estate
5:30 p.m.

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| Lector: | Charlene |
| Eucharistic Minister: | Les |
| Prayers of the People: | Bev |

August 18, 2019
9:00 a.m.

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| Lectors: | Danielle/Jessica |
| Eucharistic Ministers: | Christine/Bill K. |
| Crucifer: | Bill K. |
| Server: | Georgie |
| Gospel Bearer: | Georgie |
| Prayers of the People: | Mary Lynn |
| Ushers: | George/Ralph |
| Greeters: | Evelyn/Ralph |
| Verger (Open): | Tracy |
| Verger (Close): | Bev |



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

THIS WEEK AT SAINT PAUL

Sun: -THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST-

9:00 AM – Eucharist

10:30 AM – Coffee Hour in the Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center

Mon:

Tue:

Wed:

Thu:

Fri: 6:00 PM – Food Bank Board Meeting in the Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center

Sat: 5:30 PM – Eucharist – St. John’s Herr Estate

Sun: -THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST-

9:00 AM – Eucharist

10:30 AM – Coffee Hour in the Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center

A man who does a daily blog named Seth Godin recently wrote the following and I have to think this describes where Saint Paul is right now:

There are two polar opposites: Staying Still and Breaking. It’s easy to visualize each end of the axis, whatever the activity. In between is Stretching.

Stretching is growth. Extending our reach. Becoming more resilient, limber and powerful. Stretching hurts a bit, and maybe leaves us just a little bit sore.

But then, tomorrow, we can stretch further than we could yesterday. Because stretching compounds. If you’re afraid of breaking, the answer is not to sit still but to dedicate yourself to stretching.

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

The Altar Flowers are available for the weeks of August 18, 25; September 1, 8, 15, 22, 29.

The Sanctuary Candle is available for the weeks of August 18, 25; September 1, 8, 15, 22.

The Bread and Wine is available for the weeks of August 18, 25; September 1, 8, 15, 22, 29.

Prayer Ministry: Please take an active part in our three Core Prayer Ministries:

- 1) Send those birthday cards to the people who have a birthday in August. The names and dates are on the Prayer Calendar you received and there is also a list on the table in the back of the church. Birthday cards are available in the back of the church for a small donation.
- 2) Remember your Prayer Partner every day in August. Take the time to pray for them and the needs that they may have. Just remember them and ask God to bless them.
- 3) The Daily Prayer Intention Calendar was sent out for August. Please use it. Prayer changes lives! Lots of prayer changes lots of lives! Your prayers are heard and answered! Pray always!

Prayer Meditation: Each month you will find a meditation by Steven Charleston in our Sunday bulletin. These messages are taken from his book "The Medicine Wheel."

For August

"Do not be anxious. There is a steadier hand than ours guiding the human journey. In fact, we have come this far in spite of ourselves. More than once, over the long centuries, a purpose unnoticed has quietly intervened to set things right, to move us like children away from danger, to pull us back from harms unseen. Do not be anxious, for if we believe conscious love has reason, then those reasons will see us through, just as they have time and again while we have grown, cared for, even when we thought we were lost."

Wednesday Morning Prayer and Healing Service: Our Wednesday Morning Prayer service has stopped for the summer and will resume on Wednesday, September 4, 2019.

Missed You Cards: Father Patrick does not send his weekly "Missed You Cards" during the summer. However, coming together each week is very important and we hope that you will make every effort to attend our Sunday Eucharist. Common Parish Family Prayer on a Saturday evening or Sunday morning is important every week, even during the summer.

"Rediscover Jesus": On the table in the back of the church are copies of "Rediscover Jesus". If you would like a copy of this book, please take one after the service. There is no charge for the book.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Sunday School: Our Sunday School-for children age 4 through 10 has ended for the summer. Please watch your bulletin for more information on the start of Sunday School in the Fall.

Sunday School: We are in need of a Sunday School teacher beginning in September, 2019. Please talk to Father Patrick if you are interested.

FINANCE AND INVESTMENT

Please, Please, Please: If you missed church the past several weeks, please make up your weekly contribution so that we can keep on budget. The treasurer needs to pay bills whether you are here or not. We are behind in pledged and non-pledged income. Thank you.

OUTREACH MINISTRY

Food Donations: You are reminded to bring your food items to church each week so that on the last Sunday of the month we can present them to the Lord for blessing and then give them to the food bank. Whenever you go shopping, please add extra non-perishable items to your order for this outreach ministry. Jesus never forgot the last, the lost and the least in his ministry and neither can we.

Adult Cereals (less sugar)
Soups
Spaghetti Sauce

Peanut Butter
Rice

Jelly
Boxed Potatoes

Let's all bring one non-perishable food item each week as committed to in our Mission and Ministry Plan.

Food Bank Hours: Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday – 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. The Columbia Food Bank is closed on holidays.

Greeting Cards: We are collecting old greeting cards so that adults with autism and other intellectual disabilities can recycle them into new greeting cards. Don't throw away your greeting cards – just bring them to the church and put them in the box on the back pew. This will be an ongoing outreach ministry project. Thank you.

ADMINISTRATION

Parish Office Hours: The Parish Office hours are: Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday – 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. The Office is closed on holidays.

Use of St. Paul's Facilities: Please call the Parish Office if you want to reserve the Parish Hall or Church.

Reminder: Please remember that when you use the Parish Hall nothing can be put on the walls or the woodwork. Using scotch tape, duct tape, masking tape, and even some types of painter's tape has the possibility of pulling the paint off the wall or damaging the surface. Items can only be placed on the wooden food bank cabinets or the metal kitchen window and its metal surrounding. Only masking tape or painter's tape can be used on these surfaces. This applies to both parish members and outside groups that use the hall and is clearly stated in the policy outlining use of the parish hall or the church. Thank you.

PARISH EVENTS

Attention Readers: St. Paul has a small library located in the Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center – Middle Classroom. Feel free to borrow a book (or books). When you have finished reading it, please drop your book into the “Book Return” basket located to the left of the book shelves. We have also included a donation box if you would like to make a contribution. Enjoy! Thanks to Vickie Stump for all her hard work in organizing and maintaining our library.

Quilts for Kids – If you know how to quilt, want to learn how to quilt, know how to sew, don't know how but want to learn, or just have a relaxing hour or two finding out how, we can cheer up a sick kid with a quilt. If you have quilting supplies you do not need anymore, we may be able to use them too. Call Gayanne Basham through the parish office (717-684-8496) if any questions. The quilting group meets Wednesday afternoons.

OTHER EVENTS

ECW Fall Retreat: The ECW Fall Retreat will be held September 13 – 15, 2019 at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Shippensburg. The program titled, “Adventures with the Psalms,” will be presented by Janet Strickler – The Third Order, Society of Saint Francis and the Rev. Linda Watkins, St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Waynesboro.

Registration deadline is August 31. You may stay at any hotel/motel you choose. We have a block of room at the Quality Inn and Suites Shippen Place. The block will close August 13th. The cost is \$140.00 per night double or \$160.00 per night king bed. For further information contact Shirley Wagner: srw2052@gmail.com.

Free Sunday Breakfast: On the last Sunday of every month, the Columbia United Methodist Church offers a Free Community Breakfast at 8:00 a.m. in their Fellowship Hall. All are invited.