

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 Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 25, 2019

9:00 a.m.

Opening Hymn "I Come With Joy to Meet My Lord"

Hymn 304

Call to Worship

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

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

Amen.

Presider: In you, O Lord, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame.

All: In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me;

Presider: Incline your ear to me and save me.

All: Be to me a rock of refuge, a strong fortress, to save me,

Presider: For you are my rock and my fortress.

All: Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked,

Presider: From the grasp of the unjust and cruel.

All: For you, O Lord, are my hope,

Presider: My trust, O Lord, from my youth.

All: My praise is continually of you.

based on Psalm 71:1-6

Collect for Purity	Prayer Book, page 355
Collect of the Day	
First Reading Isaiah 58:9b-14	Insert
Psalm 103:1-8	Insert
Second Reading Hebrews 12:18-29	Insert
Gospel Hymn "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"	Hymn 493
Gospel Luke 13:10-17	Insert
Sermon	The Very Rev. Dr. Amy Welin
Nicene Creed	Prayer Book, page 358

Prayers of the People

Prayer Leader: Sisters and brothers, the Lord is full of compassion and mercy. Let us then pray to the Lord.

Prayer Leader; O Lord, may 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, take delight in you above all else. Fill our hearts with joy and gladness as we worship in your presence. May we faithfully keep the feast. You, O God, are our hope;

All: Incline your ear to us.

Prayer Leader: Give to the leaders of nations, O Lord, especially to 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, compassion for the hungry; and to satisfy

the needs of the afflicted. You, O God, are our hope;

All: Incline your ear to us.

Prayer Leader: God, you are a consuming fire. Your light rises in the darkness and our gloom becomes like the noonday.

Continue to make yourself known to us in your creation—in the stars of the night and the new light of the morning. You, O God, are our hope;

All: Incline your ear to us.

Prayer Leader: You call us, O God, into a great community of believers: to join with angels and saints, with those you have made righteous, and with your Son Jesus, the mediator of the new covenant. We pray for our fellow Christians around the world, especially those facing persecution. Protect and strengthen them. Have mercy, Lord. You, O God, are our hope;

All: Incline your ear to us.

Prayer Leader: You are a generous God. We thank you for all the abundant blessing you have given us, especially...

(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)

We pray for the healing of those who are spiritually and physically broken. May all who are troubled by the power of evil find freedom in the hands of your Son. We pray 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)

O God, you redeem life from the grave through the resurrection of Christ. We pray for those who have died in hope; may they

eternally be satisfied with good things. 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)

You, O God, are our hope;

All: Incline your ear to us.

Prayer Leader: Teach us to cherish all truth that is not ours.

You, O God, are our hope;

All: Incline your ear to us.

Prayer Leader: Teach us to cherish all life that is not ours. You, O God, are our hope;

All: Incline your ear to us.

Prayer Leader: Teach this Parish Family of Saint Paul the Apostle, to love and share your gift of life. You, O God, are our hope;

All: Incline your ear to us.

Prayer Leader: That the Parish Family of Saint Paul the Apostle on their Way of Love will make time every day to be in conversation with you – to PRAY – to set aside time to PRAY– everyday. You, O God, are our hope;

All: Incline your ear to us.

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 and Assurance

All: O God, who loves us with a love that will never release us: help us understand why our doubt can be so troubling to us.

**Forgive us when we criticize another's doubt,
remembering that doubt and faith can be two sides
of one coin.**

**Allow us penance by giving other persons a secure
location in which they may share their honest
convictions, even when not part of "official" dogma
or our own opinions.**

**God of leniency and mercy, we seek your presence,
your will, and your way for our lives.**

Lord, we believe.

Help our unbelief.

In Jesus' name we ask. 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



Prayer Requests August 25, 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; Sophie; Bev; Everett

Birthday

8/28 Hunter Peters; 8/29 Tracy Witmer

Anniversary

Departed

Nancy Geesey; Donald 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 Karen Abramo; Kit Brommer; Jonathan and Iris Lutz and daughters Sophia, Lily and Olive

World Cycle of Prayer

8/25 Lesotho; 8/26 Liberia; 8/27 Libya; 8/28 Liechtenstein; 8/29 Lithuania; 8/30 Luxembourg; 8/31 Macedonia

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

8/25 Pray for the Anglican Church of South America, The Most Revd Gregory James Venables - Presiding Bishop of the Anglican Church of South America & Bishop of Argentina; **8/26** Olo (South Sudan), The Rt Revd Tandema Obede; Busan (Korea), The Most Revd Onesimus Dongsin Park; Kigezi (Uganda), The Rt Revd George Bagamuhunda; **8/27** Olympia (The Episcopal Church), The Rt Revd Gregory Rickel; Busoga (Uganda), The Rt Revd Paul Moses Samson Naimanhye; **8/28** Omu-Aran (Nigeria), The Rt Revd Philip Adeyemo; Butare (Rwanda), The Rt Revd Nathan Gasatura; Butere (Kenya), The Rt Revd Timothy Wambunya; **8/29** On the Lake (Nigeria), The Rt Revd Chijioke Oti; Buye (Burundi), The Rt Revd Sixbert Macumi; **8/30** On the Niger (Nigeria), The Rt Revd Owen Chidozie Nwokolo; Byumba (Rwanda), The Rt Revd Emmanuel Ngendahayo; Kilmore, Elphin & Ardagh (Ireland), The Rt Revd Ferran Glenfield; **8/31** Kimberley & Kuruman (Southern Africa), The Rt Revd Oswald Swartz; Kindu (Congo), The Most Revd Zacharie Masimango Katanda (Primate); Kinkiizi (Uganda) The Rt Revd Dan Zoreka

Ecumenical Cycle of Prayer

8/25 Bolivian Evangelical Lutheran Church; 8/26 Christian Lutheran Church of Honduras; 8/27 Church of Denmark; 8/28 Church of Iceland; 8/29 Church of Norway; 8/30 Church of Sweden; 8/31 Estonian Evangelical Lutheran Church

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer and Parish Cycle of Prayer:

Christ Church, Coudersport and their congregation; Columbia Community Church, 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

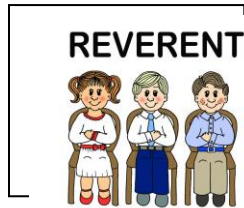
Amount needed each week to meet the 2018 expense budget:	\$3,535.00
Amount expected each week from fundraisers and investment income:	\$1,764.00
Amount needed each week in pledge and plate to meet expense budget:	\$1,771.00

	08/18/19	08/19/18
St. John Herr Estate	09	10
9:00 a.m.	<u>25</u>	<u>31</u>
	34	41

Weekly Impact Attendance: w/e 8/18/19: 113

Pledge and Plate: \$665.00 \$1,300.00

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



WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

August 31, 2019
St. John Herr Estate
5:30 p.m.

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

September 1, 2019

9:00 a.m.

Lectors:	Bea/Evan
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



THIS WEEK AT SAINT PAUL

Sun: -THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST-

9:00 AM – Eucharist

10:15 AM – Coffee Hour in the Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center

Mon:

Tue:

Wed:

Thu:

Fri:

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

Sun: **-THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST-**

9:00 AM – Eucharist – Birthday Sunday

10:15 AM – Annual Ice Cream Social 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

Today we welcome Rev. Amy Welin, the Dean of Saint Stephen Cathedral in Harrisburg as she presides and preaches. Rev. Welin will be formally installed as Dean on Saturday, September 7. Rev. Welin will be at Coffee Hour so please stop back and welcome her to Saint Paul. She will also be sharing the role of the Cathedral in our diocese. Father Patrick is at Saint Stephen Cathedral this morning for this pulpit exchange.

The Altar Flowers are available for the weeks of September 8, 15, 22, 29.

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

The Bread and Wine is available for the weeks of 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 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

Columbia Food Bank Online Information: Information regarding the Columbia Food Bank can be found on their website: <https://www.columbiafoodbank.org/> or on their Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/columbiafoodbank/>.

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

September Once-A-Day Lottery: Last Chance to get your Lottery Tickets in!!! If you have not yet returned your Lottery Tickets, please do so ASAP. The drawings will begin on September 1, 2019.

Annual Ice Cream Social: Our Annual End of Summer Ice Cream Social will be held on Sunday, September 1 in the parish hall following the 9:00 a.m. Eucharist. We invite all those who attend the Saturday 5:30 p.m. service to come and share some ice cream with all the toppings and lemonade as we say good-bye to the summer.

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. 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.