

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. *Book of Common Prayer* and the larger blue book is the *Hymnal*.

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 Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 23, 2018

9:00 a.m.

Opening Hymn "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"

Hymn 66

Call to Worship

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

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

Amen.

Presider: The time has come to give thanks:

All: For what was, what is, what is to come.

Presider: The time has come to bless:

All: The One who created us and the neighbors who share creation.

Presider: The time has come to labor:

All: To birth peace, to bring forth plenty, to nurture love.

Presider: The time has come to welcome.

Collect for Purity

Collect of the Day

First Reading Micah 5:2-5a

Canticle 15

Second Reading Hebrews 10:5-10

Gospel Hymn "Once He Came in Blessing"

Gospel Luke 1:39-55

Sermon

Nicene Creed

Prayer Book, page 355

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pages 7 & 8 of bulletin

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Hymn 53

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Rev. J. Patrick Peters

Prayer Book, page 358

Prayers of the People

Prayer Leader: The Mighty One has done great for us. And so we appeal to God once again as we pray.

Prayer Leader: Help the 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, to build your Kingdom here on earth as you prepare a mansion for us. **(Silence for a few seconds)** Stir up your strength, O Lord:

All: And come to help us.

Prayer Leader: O God of hosts, stir up in our leaders, especially Donald, our President; the Congress and the Courts; Thomas our Governor; the Legislature of our Commonwealth; our Borough Council; and Leo our Mayor, and all who wield power and authority in the world, the desire to provide us the security and peace that can only come from your Kingdom. **(Silence for a few seconds)** Stir up your strength, O Lord:

All: And come to help us.

Prayer Leader: Show the strength of your arm, O God: lift up the lowly, fill the hungry with good things, and look on your children with favor. **(Silence for a few seconds)** Stir up your strength, O Lord:

All: And come to help us.

Prayer Leader: Have mercy on all prisoners and captives, O God. Remember them and come to their aid. Fill our hearts with mercy. May we learn to forgive even as you forgive us.

(Silence for a few seconds) Stir up your strength, O Lord:

All: And come to help us.

Prayer Leader: Hear the prayers of your people, O God of hosts. May those who have fed on the bread of tears, feed instead on your strength. Show them the light of your countenance and be their salvation. 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)

Merciful God, you lead us with joy; you delight in our joy. You clothe us in beauty. We give you thanks for your loving care and blessings, 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)

Great Shepherd, gather your flock into your eternal kingdom. Bless the dying, embrace the dead, and comfort those who mourn. We pray especially 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)

(Silence for a few seconds) Stir up your strength, O Lord:

All: And come to help us.

Prayer Leader: We pray for the Parish Family of Saint Paul: May we be enriched by our diversity and dedicated to preparing leadership for the future. Help us to acknowledge our present gifts and remember those who in the past brought us into the faith. **(Silence for a few seconds)** Stir up your strength, O Lord:

All: And come to help us.

Prayer Leader: For the young Mary’s and Joseph’s in our Parish Family and in our community. For newborn children, especially those undernourished and without parental love and care. May all be given a home and a home environment of love. **(Silence for a few seconds)** Stir up your strength, O Lord:

All: And come to help us.

Prayer Leader: For an end to violence, oppression, and injustice: As you lead us Lord, from darkness to light, make us children of the light. May we join with Mary’s song that we may be among those who exalt the lowly and fill the hungry with good things, routing out the proud of heart and drawing courage from the strength of your arm. **(Silence for a few seconds)** Stir up your strength, O Lord:

All: And come to help us.

Prayer Leader: We pray for our own spirit as the Parish Family of Saint Paul: With Mary may our hearts be truly magnified, made much bigger than we imagine them to be. May the new breath of Advent stir in us such ardor that we extend ourselves much more than we thought possible. May we, like Mary set out across the barren country without fear, to visit the Elizabeth’s in our lives. **(Silence for a few seconds)** Stir up your strength, O Lord:

All: And come to help 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

All: God, our God:

We confess that we probably wouldn't recognize an angel if you sent one.

We confess that we would prefer not to listen to any angels we might recognize.

We confess that we would prefer that you not ask us to commit our lives to your service.

We confess that we would prefer to say no after we have heard your request.

We confess that we are more frightened than we ever imagined.

Forgive us our fear and give us the courage to see, to hear, to realize, and to accept that you love us enough to trust us in spite of this. Amen.

Absolution
The Peace

Prayer Book, page 332
Prayer Book, page 360

Greetings and Announcements

Presentation Hymn "Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers"

Hymn 68

Offertory

Eucharistic Prayer

Sursum Corda

Hymnal S-120

Sanctus

Hymnal S-130

Memorial Acclamation

Presider: Let us proclaim the mystery of Christ

All: When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus, until you come in glory.

The Great Amen

Mass of Creation

Our Father

Celtic

The Breaking of the Bread

Prayer Book, page 364

Prayer of Humble Access

Prayer Book, page 337

Communion

Presider: May God, by whose providence our Savior Christ came among us in great humility, sanctify you with the light of his blessing and set you free from all sin.

All: Amen

Presider: May he whose second Coming in power and great glory we await, make you steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and constant in love.

All: Amen

Presider: May you, who rejoice in the first Advent of our Redeemer, at his second Advent be rewarded with unending life.

All: Amen

Presider: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

All: Amen

Closing Hymn "Blest be the King"
Dismissal

Hymn 74

PRAYER CIRCLE

Dear Members of St. Paul,

The person at the top (Jeanne Cooper) will call the next person on the list. Ex.: Jeanne will call Bev Euculano; Bev will call Ann Jones; Ann will call Alf Kuhns; and so on. The last person on each list will call Jeanne back, thus completing the circle.

The person being prayed for will remain on the list for 30 days; then they will be taken off unless you request that we keep them in our prayers longer. If there are any questions, please call Jeanne Cooper.



CIRCLE ONE

Jeanne Cooper—508-509-1842
Bev Euculano—717-818-7875
Ann Jones—717-681-3911 or 717-681-3226
Alf Kuhns—717-684-8735
Sue Ollar—717-449-1608
Sue Worby—717-538-6965
Tracy Witmer—717-368-2909
Shirley Wagner—717-653-6783
Jeanne Cooper—508-509-1842



CIRCLE TWO

Jeanne Cooper 508-509-1842
Kathy Johnson—717-846-4197
Deb Wasche—717-575-3914 or 717-285-7999
Tom Hartman—717-684-2169 or 717-449-0196
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Teresa Allen—717-799-1321
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Jeanne Cooper—508-509-1842



CHRISTMAS / NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 23 – Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:50 – Sunday – Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center – Sunday School

9:00 a.m. – Sunday – Church - Eucharist

10:30 a.m. – Church – Final decorating of the church

Monday, December 24 – Christmas Eve

3:30 p.m. – Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center – Children's Christmas Pageant
Rehearsal 5:00 p.m. – Church – Christmas Festive Eucharist / Children's Christmas
Pageant

Tuesday, December 25 – Christmas Day

7:30 – 9:30 a.m. – Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center – Free Community Christmas
Breakfast

10:00 a.m. – Church – Christmas Eucharist

Saturday & Sunday, December 29 & 30 – First Sunday After Christmas

5:30 p.m. – Saturday – Saint John Herr Estate Chapel – Eucharist

9:00 a.m. – Sunday – Church - Festive Eucharist

All are invited to share our table to be fed, nourished, and sustained during this Christmas and Holiday Season. Come to the Table of the Lord to be nourished in Word and Sacrament! Come to our table for Christmas Breakfast to be nourished in body and fellowship. All are invited! All are Welcome! All are Expected! Bring a friend!



*Jesus
Is God's Gift
To The World*

Prayer Requests December 23, 2018

Hospitalizations

Homebound

Delores Baker (Saint Anne); Ethel Edelman (Autumn House West); Alverta Hossler (Paramount Senior Living, Maytown)

Intercessions

Sue Ellen; Ruth; Ethel; Alverta; Mike; Joann; Carolyn; Vickie; Ralph; Danielle; Neil; Alf; Bruce; DJ; Bryan; Bobby; Father Tim; Robert; Bentley; Mitch; Terry; Toni

Birthday

12/29 Scott Peters

Anniversary

Departed

Robert Kuhns; Doris Kuhns; All those in whose memory this church has been so beautifully enhanced

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 Jeanne Cooper; Monte Ann Finegan; Joel and Ericka Sipe and son Evan

World Cycle of Prayer

12/23 Czech Republic; 12/24 Cote d'Ivoire; 12/25 Denmark; 12/26 Djibouti; 12/27 Dominica; 12/28 Dominican Republic; 12/29 East Timor

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

12/23 Kubwa, The Rt. Rev'd Duke Akamisoko; 12/24 Kuching, The Rt. Rev'd Danald Jute; Assistant Bishop of Kuching, The Rt. Rev'd Solomon Cheong Sung Voon; 12/25 Kumi, The Rt. Rev'd Thomas Irigel; 12/26 Kushtia, The Rt. Rev'd Samuel Sunil Mankhin; 12/27 Kutigi, The Rt. Rev'd Jeremiah Kolo; Kwara, The Most Rev'd Olusegun Adeyemi; 12/28 Kwoi, The Rt. Rev'd Paul Zamani; 12/29 Kyoto, The Rt. Rev'd Stephen Takashi Kochi

Ecumenical Cycle of Prayer

12/23 Evangelical Lutheran Church of France; 12/24 Evangelical Lutheran Church of Hong Kong; 12/25 Evangelical Lutheran Church of Latvia; 12/26 Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania; 12/27 India Evangelical Lutheran Church; 12/28 Japan Evangelical Lutheran Church; 12/29 Lutheran Church in Chile

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer and Parish Cycle of Prayer:

Saint Thomas, Lancaster and their congregation; First Assembly of God, 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

	12/16/18	12/17/17
St. John Herr Estate	19	14
9:00 a.m.	<u>25</u>	<u>44</u>
	44	58

Pledge and Plate:	\$1,239.00	\$1,271.00
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Cookie Sale: \$1,428.00 (2018); \$85.00 Crafts	\$1,354.00 (2017)
Friendly's Fun Night: \$203.00 (12/12/18)	\$155.00 (11/29/17)

Please remember to return your Declaration of Faith card for 2019

Weekly Impact: w/e 12/16/18: 225

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



December 24, 2018

Christmas Eve

5:00 p.m.

Lector:	Bev/Jessica
Eucharistic Ministers:	Bill K./Ralph
Crucifer:	Bill K.
Server:	Georgie
Gospel Bearer:	Georgie
Prayers of the People:	Charlene
Ushers:	George/Ralph
Greeters:	George/Bill W.
Vergers (Open):	Tracy
Vergers (Close):	Bev

December 25, 2018

Christmas Morning

10:00 a.m.

Lector:	Father Patrick
Eucharistic Ministers:	Alf
Server:	Alf
Gospel Bearer:	Father Patrick
Prayers of the People:	Father Patrick
Vergers (Open):	Father Patrick
Vergers (Close):	Father Patrick

December 29, 2018
St. John Herr Estate
5:30 p.m.

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

December 30, 2018
9:00 a.m.

Lector: Christine/Evan
Eucharistic Ministers: Ralph/Christine
Crucifer: Christine
Server: Christine
Gospel Bearer: Ralph
Prayers of the People: Mary Lynn
Ushers: George/Bill W.
Greeters: George/Bill W.
Vergers (Open): Janet
Vergers (Close): Bev



THIS WEEK AT SAINT PAUL

Sun: 8:50 AM – Sunday School – small classroom in the Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center
9:00 AM – Eucharist – Church
10:30 AM – Coffee Hour in the Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center
10:30 AM – Final decorating of the Church

**-THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED UNTIL
MONDAY, JANUARY 7, 2019-**

Mon: -CHRISTMAS EVE-

3:30 PM – Final Youth Pageant Rehearsal and Birthday Party for Jesus
5:00 PM – Christmas Eve Service in the Church

Tues: -CHRISTMAS-

7:30 AM – Free Community Christmas Breakfast in the Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center
10:00 AM – Christmas Day Eucharist in the Church

Wed:

Thu:

Fri:

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

Sun: 9:00 AM – Eucharist – Church
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 December 30; January 6, 13, 20, 27.

The Sanctuary Candle is available for the weeks of December 30; January 6, 13, 20, 27.

The Bread and Wine is available for the weeks of December 30; January 6, 13, 20, 27.

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 December. 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 December. 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 December. 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". I pray you will find Bishop Charleston's meditations/visions are as inspirational as I have. Shirley Wagner

For December

And the prophet said: for unto us a child is born. That is the message. That is the meaning. A child, a pure unspoiled hope, an embodiment of all that is decent and honest and good, a new beginning, a fresh vision, a blessing and a challenge, is born, made real, come alive. Not born to the special or the few, not born to the privileged or the powerful, not to the followers of this religion or that politician, but to us. To us, all of us. The poor us, the forgotten us, the immigrant us and the native us, the us of every culture and language, of every class and condition. For unto us a child is born. Unto the deserving and the undeserving, the broken and the lonely, the tired and frightened, unto the whole tribe of the human beings, the child is born, the hope is given, the healing is offered. Let us believe what the prophet said, and by our believing, set one another free.

Wednesday Morning Prayer and Healing Service: Our Wednesday Morning Prayer and Healing Service is held in the Rector's Office at 9:30 a.m.

Missed You Cards: Father Patrick continues to send his weekly "Missed You Cards". Coming together each week is very important and we hope that you will make every effort to attend our Sunday Eucharist. Common Family Parish Prayer on a Saturday evening or Sunday morning is important every week.

“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 will continue today at 8:50 a.m. in the Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center.

MONDAY NIGHT ADULT FORUM

SPONSORED BY:

**ST. JOHN’S LUTHERAN CHURCH,
ST. JOHN’S HERR ESTATE RETIREMENT COMMUNITY
and
ST. PAUL EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

All sessions, except as noted, take place in the dining room of the St. John’s Herr Estate Retirement Community. Please enter through the Personal Care entrance and go down the hallway toward the rotunda. The dining room is on your right. There is plenty of parking.



All sessions, except as noted, begin at 7:00 pm.

All are welcome!

There is no charge for any of the sessions, and you do not have to register in advance. Just come and enter into God’s presence in this holy place!

December 24

CHRISTMAS EVE—NO CLASS



Merry Christmas!

December 31

NEW YEAR'S EVE—NO CLASS

January 7

**WHEN THERE ARE NO WORDS: UNDERSTANDING
GRIEF AND LOSS**

Grief is experienced whenever we lose someone or something that has been an important part of our lives. While grief is universal it is also a very unique and personal experience. This presentation will cover the common ways people experience grief, what can help and how you can offer support. An overview of the services at the Pathways Center for Grief & Loss will also be provided.

Elaine Ostrum
Adult Services Coordinator
Pathways Center for Grief & Loss
Hospice & Community Care

January 14

**REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SERVICE OF PRAYER AND REMEMBRANCE**

We will gather for worship in remembrance of a man who brought painful growth to our nation, in advance of the holiday that honors his birth.

Mt. Zion A.M.E
227 S. 5th Street, Columbia
7:00 PM

FINANCE AND INVESTMENT

From Our Treasurer: If you are behind on your pledge, we would appreciate your catching up on it before the end of the year. Thanks, Bev

Pledge of Faith Cards: If you have not already done so, please return your Pledge of Faith card before the end of the year.

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.

Christmas Day Free Community Breakfast: On Tuesday, December 25, Saint Paul will host its 15th Annual Free Community Christmas Breakfast from 7:30 – 9:30 a.m. in the Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center. This breakfast is open to anyone who wants to come together for conversation, friendship, and food. Donations of food and time will be appreciated. There is a sign-up sheet in the Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center on the Sign-Up Board.

It's Time: 32 Seniors Need You (Angel Tree Ministry): Our shared mission in our Episcopal Home provides a loving, safe home for up to 32 seniors. The average age of those seniors is 89! Our donations provide benevolent care to many who outlive their savings. Together, our 63 parishes share a mission in support of the Episcopal Home, providing community and safety. If every family in each of our 63 parish communities gives at least \$25.00 (the price of one resident's daily living cost), and take one or more tags from the Angel Tree, we can support this safe haven for another year. Thank you for your help.

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 Hall Health Inspection: On Monday, January 14, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. the Borough Office will conduct their Annual Health Inspection of the Parish Hall, Kitchen and Restrooms. We will need volunteers to help clean these areas to get ready for the inspection. Please contact the Parish Office or speak with Father Patrick if you are willing to help. Thank You.

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 surround. 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 setting up 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

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.