

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.

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 15, 2018

9:00 a.m.

Opening Hymn "Thy Kingdom Come!"

Hymn 615

Call to Worship

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

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

Presider: God has a dream, a great uniting dream where all God's people know we are one in Christ.

All: God has a vision, a cosmic vision of reconciliation on earth and in heaven.

Presider: As Disciples of Jesus we are called to be bearers of the vision of God.

All: But we dimly see what God sees. We need our vision sharpened, our minds enlightened, and our hearts enlarged.

Presider: Let us be open to the moving of God among us as we sing hymns of praise, pray, and listen for God's living word to us this day.

Collect for Purity

Prayer Book, page 355

Collect of the Day

Insert

First Reading Amos 7:7-15

Insert

Psalm 85:8-13

Insert

Second Reading Ephesians 1:3-14

Insert

Gospel Hymn "Praise to the Living God"

Hymn 372

Gospel Mark 6:14-29

Insert

Gospel Response "If You Believe and I Believe"
(2 times)

Sermon

The Rev. J. Patrick Peters

Nicene Creed

Prayer Book, page 358

Prayers of the People

Prayer Leader: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: your wisdom and insight has made known to us the mystery of your will to gather up all things in Christ. Move with power and justice throughout the earth, to unite all people into your divine life as we pray:

Prayer Leader: You chose your Church in Christ before the foundation of the world: Fill us, 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, with such gladness and love of you that we may sing and rejoice in your presence, and bless all people in your name: The earth is God's and all that is in it:

All: the world and all that dwell therein.

Prayer Leader: Raise up and protect prophets as of old who will challenge the rulers of this age, 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 those in authority in the nations of the world, and inspire us to be holy and blameless before you in love: Protect us from political intrigue and from the abuse of power, so that our nation may be a people of clean hands and pure hearts. The earth is God's and all that is in it:

All: the world and all that dwell therein.

Prayer Leader: In Christ, you have blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places; let your holy presence, strong and mighty, be with all who live in places of injustice or violence; strengthen all who suffer for the sake of conscience; protect whistleblowers; and those who confront injustice with truth. Visit the prisoner with your mercy and wisdom. The earth is God's and all that is in it:

All: the world and all that dwell therein.

Prayer Leader: Give to this Parish Family of Saint Paul wisdom and insight to hear the word of truth and to live in the glorious grace that you freely bestow on us, that your glory may dwell in our land. The earth is God's and all that is in it:

All: the world and all that dwell therein.

Prayer Leader: We have set our hope on Christ as we offer our prayers of intercession. We pray for those who are ill, or who live with any threat or trauma, especially...

(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)

Hear the glad words of thanksgiving, 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)

Raise to your eternal presence all innocents who die because of the decisions of the powerful. Remember all who have died, that they may be marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit, the pledge of our inheritance, especially...

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)

The earth is God’s and all that is in it:

All: the world and all that dwell therein.

Prayer Leader: Help us to understand the complexity of life. Help us to learn from the forces we seek to overcome. Help us to trust in you. The earth is God’s and all that is in it:

All: the world and all that dwell therein.

Prayer Leader: Eternal God, you send us on a journey, as you have sent others before us, to anoint, to heal, to comfort, to cast our demons. For each person in need this day, we pray for the gentle touch of another’s caring hand. The earth is God’s and all that is in it:

All: the world and all that dwell therein.

Prayer Leader: The world waits in need, O God. When peace seems within our grasp, it somehow slips away. When crops in one nation flourish, famine reigns in another. When technology masters a new frontier, old problems rise to plague it. When chemicals serve our human needs, the environment suffers pollution. While medicines cure the gravest ills, diseases still destroy us. That you will help us in our need we pray. The earth is God's and all that is in it:

All: the world and all that dwell therein.

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

Forgiving God,

we confess that we are far from a united Christian community.

We are a fragmented people because we have created division

by the way we regard one another in the church and in the world.

We seem to have lost your vision that delights in differences

within one essential, spiritual unity.

We have committed sins of prejudice, judgment, and self-righteousness.

Forgive us for failing to be the incarnation of love that Jesus exemplified

from his birth to his death, reconciling us to you.

May we thus become reconcilers in his name. Amen.

Absolution

The Peace

Prayer Book, page 332

Prayer Book, page 360

Greetings and Announcements

Offertory

Presentation Hymn "By All Your Saints Striving"

(stanza 2 – The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist)

Hymn 232

Eucharistic Prayer D	Prayer Book, page 372
Sursum Corda	Prayer Book, page 372
Sanctus	Hymnal S-129
The Great Amen	Celtic
Our Father	Prayer Book, page 364
The Breaking of the Bread	Prayer Book, page 364
Communion	
Prayer of Thanksgiving	Prayer Book, page 365
The Blessing	Prayer Book, page 366
Closing Hymn "O Day of God, Draw Nigh"	Hymn 601
Dismissal	Prayer Book, page 365

Prayer Requests July 15, 2018

Hospitalizations

Homebound

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

Intercessions

Sue Ellen; Ruth; Ethel; Alverta; Mike; Austin; Joann; Marie-Terese; Kerry; Carolyn

(As we do at the beginning of each quarter, we have updated our sick list. If we have removed a name that you would like to have put back on, please call the parish office at 717-684-8496)

Birthday

7/16 Olive Lutz

Anniversary

7/19 Mitch and Jeanne Cooper

Departed

Elizabeth Cooper; James Frey; 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 George and Mary Lynn Geltmacher; Scott and Abby Peters and children Hailey, Hunter, and Riley; Annabelle Vecero

World Cycle of Prayer

7/15 India; 7/16 Indonesia; 7/17 Iran; 7/18 Iraq; 7/19 Ireland; 7/20 Israel; 7/21 Italy

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

7/15 Pray for the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea, The Most Rev'd Allan Migi, Archbishop of Papua New Guinea; 7/16 Egbu, The Rt. Rev'd Geoffrey Okoroafor; 7/17 Egypt, The Rt. Rev'd Mouneer Hanna Anis; Area Bishop for the Horn of Africa, The Rt. Rev'd Grant Lemarquand; Area Bishop for North Africa, The Rt. Rev'd Samy Fawzy; 7/18 Eha-Amufu, The Rt. Rev'd Daniel Olinya; 7/19 El Camino Real, The Rt. Rev'd Mary Gray-Reeves; 7/20 Ekiti Oke, The Rt. Rev'd Isaac Olubowale; 7/21 El Salvador, The Rt. Rev'd Jean David Alvarado Melgar

Ecumenical Cycle of Prayer

7/15 Free Protestant Episcopal Church; 7/16 Reformed Episcopal Church; 7/17 Southern Episcopal Church; 7/18 United Episcopal Church; 7/19 General Church of the New Jerusalem; 7/20 General Conference of the New Church; 7/21 Swedenborgian Church of North America

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer and Parish Cycle of Prayer:

St. John's, Carlisle and their congregation; Ironville United Methodist 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
Revs. Gordon and Angie Misal and the people of Impact Christian Center, Columbia
Rev. Charles Deutsch 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

	07/08/18	07/09/17
St. John Herr Estate	08	14
9:00 a.m.	<u>21</u>	<u>40</u>
	29	54

Pledge and Plate: \$953.00 \$1,188.00

Weekly Impact: w/e 7/08/18: Will be included in next week's bulletin

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



July 21, 2018
St. John Herr Estate
5:30 p.m.

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

July 22, 2018
9:00 a.m.

Lector: Janet/Jessica
Eucharistic Ministers: Alf/Ralph
Crucifer: Alf
Server: Alf
Gospel Bearer: Ralph
Prayers of the People: Bea
Ushers: George/Bill W.
Greeters: George/Bill W.
Verger (Open): Alf
Verger (Close): Tracy



THIS WEEK AT SAINT PAUL

Sun: 9:00 AM – Eucharist. Preacher and Celebrant, Father Patrick
10:30 AM – Coffee Hour in the Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center
10:30 AM – Property Committee Meeting in the Library

Mon:

Tue:

Wed:

Thu:

Fri: 2:00 PM – Valerie Henry Dance Class – Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center

Sat: 5:30 PM – Free Community Dinner in the Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center
5:30 PM – Eucharist at St. John Herr Estate. Preacher and Celebrant, Father Patrick

Sun: 9:00 AM – Eucharist. Preacher and Celebrant, Father Patrick
11:00 AM – Eucharist and Annual Parish Picnic at Hope Church, Mt. Hope.

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 July 22, 29; August 5, 12, 19, 26.

The Sanctuary Candle is available for the weeks of July 22, 29; August 5, 12, 19, 26.

The Bread and Wine is available for the weeks of July 22, 29; August 5, 12, 19, 26.

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 July. 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 July. 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 July. Please use it. Prayer changes lives! Lots of prayer changes lots of lives! Your prayers are heard and answered! Pray always!

Wednesday Morning Prayer and Healing Service: Our Wednesday Morning Prayer and Healing Service is not held during the summer. It will resume on Wednesday, September 5.

Missed You Cards: Father Patrick does not send his weekly "Missed You Cards" during the summer months; however, coming together each week is still very important and we hope that you will make every effort to attend our Sunday Eucharist. If you are away, please continue to make every effort to attend a church near you on vacation. Common 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 resume on Sunday, September 9, 2018 at 8:50 a.m.

FINANCE AND INVESTMENT

Once-A-Day Lottery: The Finance and Investment Committee has decided that we will have the Daily Lottery Fundraiser again this year. The drawings will take place during the month of September. The goal is to sell as many of these tickets to the wider community through various events so that the impact on members will be reduced. If we sell all 1,000 tickets, the net proceeds would exceed \$4,000. Please check your mailbox for your tickets!

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

Anything you can do to help would be deeply appreciated.

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

Free Community Dinner: In order to help coordinate the generous donations to our Free Community Dinner on Saturday, July 21, 2018, there is a sign-up sheet in the parish hall on which you can indicate what desserts, beverages, and /or time you will donate. This way we will know what needs to be bought.

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.

Need Help???: The parish is a member church of the Samaritan Counseling Center. The Center provides confidential help with marriage counseling, teen counseling, pre-marriage counseling, child-rearing, plus a host of other services. Fees are based on a sliding scale of income and they integrate with your insurance company. The parish does have a few vouchers for initial sessions so you can see if their services are the appropriate ones for you. If you would like a voucher, please see Father Patrick. You can always call the Center directly to set up appointments. As a partner church, many services are provided to our members at a reduced rate, so please be sure to tell them that you are a member of Saint Paul. The services of the Center are completely confidential and the parish receives no information at all about who uses the Center or for what. If you need help - there is help available to you - just call them.

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 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.

Property Committee Meeting: The Property Committee will meet today, Sunday, July 15, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. in the Library

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.

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.

VBS Dates: Saint Paul and The Columbia Presbyterian Church will not be offering a Vacation Bible School this summer. We have decided to publicize the Vacation Bible School programs of other churches and encourage you to have your children participate in one or more of them.

Saint John Lutheran Church – July 30th through August 2nd. “God’s Magical Mystery Tour” – 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Rivertown Hops: On Saturday, August 2, 2018 from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. St. Paul will participate in the Annual Brew Fest. We will be offering 2 to 4 kinds of Home Crafted Brews. St. Paul will also have a Food Stand in the churchyard, selling Hot Dogs and Soft Pretzels, as well as soda and water. Please mark this event on your calendar.

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.

Parish Quilt: We have been given about 60 already made quilt squares that we would like to make into a large quilt to be raffled off at Christmas. If you would like to work on this, please call Gayanne Basham (717-684-8496) through the Parish Office. This is a great way to come together as a group in the parish and work together for the benefit of the parish.