

## 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.

**Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**September 9, 2018**

**9:00 a.m.**

Call to Worship

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

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

Presider: We hear you calling.

**All: We seek to grow toward you.**

Presider: We name you our God.

**All: We proclaim your voice with ours.**

Presider: We will be seen and heard as yours in our world.

**All: We seek the integrity of our faith, that we might live into who you have called us to be. that we might live the challenge of living a life worthy of our calling as your children.**

Collect for Purity

Collect of the Day

First Reading Isaiah 35:4-7a

Psalm 146

Second Reading James 2:1-17

Gospel Mark 7:24-37

Sermon

Nicene Creed

Prayers of the People

Prayer Book, page 355

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Rev. J. Patrick Peters

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Prayer Leader: Ever-present and compassionate God, you care for all persons with your unconditional divine love, and you extend your liberating grace to all people: Open our hearts to be strong and fearless in the pursuit of justice and relief, especially on behalf of the poor and the stranger as we pray.

Prayer Leader: Gracious and loving God, you have called 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, to follow the royal law to love our neighbors as ourselves: Empower our witness of reconciliation that we may speak gracefully to those whose ears cannot hear the Good News of God's love and may serve generously those whose mouths cannot yet proclaim your grace. You care for near and far alike;  
**All: liberate your children from their oppression.**

Prayer Leader: You guide the leaders of the nations, especially Donald, our President; the Congress and the Courts; Thomas our Governor; the Legislature of our Commonwealth; our Borough Council; and Leo our Mayor, to show mercy and to never show partiality: free from their bondage those whose lot is only the leftovers and crumbs, and empower those who struggle to live on what falls from their masters' tables. You care for near and far alike;

**All: liberate your children from their oppression.**

Prayer Leader: You embrace with your compassion, O God, those whom some call illegal, different, dishonored, poor, or marginal: Heal and comfort all who are in weakness or in need throughout the world. You care for near and far alike;

**All: liberate your children from their oppression.**

Prayer Leader: You have chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom: Reconcile our community that we may be people of radical hospitality, welcoming the native and the foreigner, the rich and the poor without distinction or partiality. You care for near and far alike;

**All: liberate your children from their oppression.**

Prayer Leader: You withhold your healing presence from no one: Honor our prayers for all who are in need, 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)

You call us to share in your work of reconciliation and freedom. We thank you for the many ministries of this Parish Family: our work of worship, outreach, education, service, and community building. Hear our joy as we give you thanks, 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)

You keep your promise for ever; hear our prayers for those who  
have died, 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)

You care for near and far alike;

**All: liberate your children from their oppression.**

Prayer Leader: For our Parish Family that we may grow into the  
mystery of God’s life among us and in us. You care for near and  
far alike;

**All: liberate your children from their oppression.**

Prayer Leader: For all in the healing professions that those who  
search for cures and those who attend to the sick may be  
strengthened for their work. You care for near and far alike;

**All: liberate your children from their oppression.**

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**

May the living out of our faith, O God,  
generate expectations that challenge us to consistently live up  
to them.

May our word of faith made incarnate in our living,  
bring about the healing of creation.

May our commitment to you and your way overcome all other  
allegiances.

Then, O God, may we admit to ourselves, to our Parish Family,  
and to our world when we fall short of who you expect us to  
be.

May we honestly and openly acknowledge both when and how  
we get ourselves in the way of your way.

May your grace then, O God, recreate our commitment,  
that we might find ourselves again on your path. Amen.

Absolution  
The Peace

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### Greetings and Announcements

Offertory  
Eucharistic Prayer A  
Sursum Corda  
Sanctus  
The Great Amen  
Our Father  
The Breaking of the Bread  
Prayer of Humble Access  
Communion  
Prayer of Thanksgiving  
The Blessing  
Dismissal

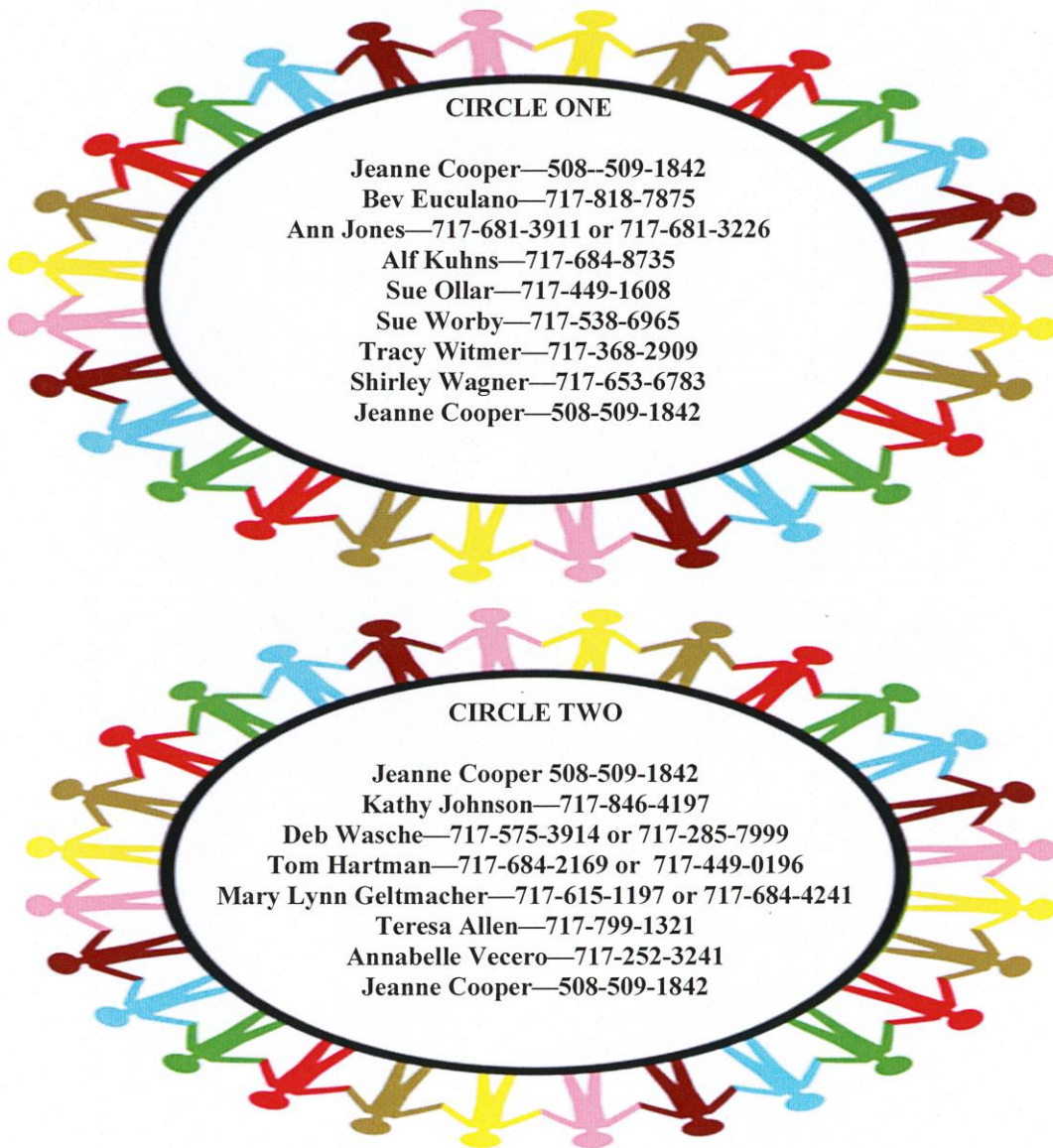
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# PRAYER CIRCLE

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.



# Prayer Requests September 9, 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

### Birthday

9/14 Heather Miller; 9/15 Pat Dancause, Janet Herman

### Anniversary

9/10 Joel and Ericka Sipe; 9/11 Tim and Carol Fals

### Departed

Herm Ansalvish; Nancy Peters

### 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 Brommer; Jeanne Cooper; Shirley Wagner

### World Cycle of Prayer

9/9 Palau; 9/10 Panama; 9/11 Papua New Guinea; 9/12 Paraguay; 9/13 Peru; 9/14 Philippines; 9/15 Poland

### Anglican Cycle of Prayer

9/9 Pray for Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan, The Most Rev'd Daniel Deng Bul Yak, Archbishop of the Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan and Bishop of Juba; 9/10 Harare, The Rt. Rev'd Chad Nicholas Gandiya; Luapula, The Rt. Rev'd Robert Mumbi; 9/11 Hawaii, The Rt. Rev'd Robert Fitzpatrick; 9/12 Hereford, The Rt. Rev'd Richard Frith; Hereford-Ludlow, The Rt. Rev'd Alistair James Magowan; 9/13 Highveld, The Rt. Rev'd David Bannerman; 9/14 Ho, The Rt. Rev'd Matthias Mededues-Badohu; 9/15 Honduras, The Rt. Rev'd Lloyd Allen

## **Ecumenical Cycle of Prayer**

9/9 Georgian Orthodox and Apostolic Church; 9/10 Serbian Orthodox Church; 9/11 Romanian Orthodox Church; 9/12 Bulgarian Orthodox Church; 9/13 Cypriot Orthodox Church; 9/14 Church of Greece; 9/15 Polish Orthodox Church

## **Diocesan Cycle of Prayer and Parish Cycle of Prayer:**

St. James, Exchange and St. John in the Wilderness, Eagles Mere and their congregations; Grace E.C., 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 <b>income budget</b> :	\$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 <b>expense budget</b> :	\$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

	09/02/18	09/03/17
St. John Herr Estate	16	17
9:00 a.m.	<u>28</u>	<u>28</u>
	44	45

Pledge and Plate:	\$ 977.00	\$870.00
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Weekly Impact: w/e 9/02/18: 194

**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**



**September 15, 2018**  
**St. John Herr Estate**  
**5:30 p.m.**

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

**September 16, 2018**  
**9:00 a.m.**

**Lector:** Mary Lynn/Jessica  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Alf/Ralph  
**Crucifer:** Ralph  
**Server:** Alf  
**Gospel Bearer:** Alf  
**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 – Church  
10:30 AM – Coffee Hour in the Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center  
10:45 AM – Vestry Meeting in the Library

**Mon:** 9:00 AM – Ministerium Meeting at Columbia Presbyterian Church

**Tue:**

**Wed:** 9:30 AM – Morning Prayer and Healing Service in the Rector's Office

**Thu:** 12:00 PM – Lancaster Clericus Meeting at St. Edwards  
2:00 PM – Council of Trustees Meeting at St. Paul, Harrisburg

**Fri:**

**Sat:** 5:30 PM – Free Community Dinner in the Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center  
5:30 PM – Eucharist at St. John Herr Estate

**Sun:** 8:50 AM – Sunday School begins – small classroom in the Mary Elizabeth Bair Parish Center  
9:00 AM – Eucharist – Church – Commissioning of Youth Ministers  
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 September 16, 23, 30; October 7, 14, 21, 28.

**The Sanctuary Candle** is available for the weeks of September 16, 23, 30; October 7, 14, 28.

**The Bread and Wine** is available for the weeks of September 16, 23, 30; October 7, 14, 21, 28.

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

**Commissioning of Youth Ministers:** As we begin a new ministry year, next Sunday, September 16 at our 9:00 a.m. service – we will commission those who have chosen to be disciples through the teaching and leading of our young people – we will commission our Youth Educators.

**Commissioning of Worship Assistants:** On the weekend of September 22 and 23 at both services, we will commission those who have chosen to be evangelists through the ministry of assisting at worship – our Acolytes, Altar Guild, Ushers, Vergers, Greeters, Prayer Leaders, Eucharistic Ministers / Visitors, Lectors. If you would like to be part of any of these ministries and use your talents to proclaim the Good News in Christ, please call the parish office (684-8496). Training will be provided. Share your talents! Share your ministry!

**Sunday Service Time Survey Results:** Our Sunday Service will remain at 9:00 a.m. (9:00 a.m. – 20 votes; 9:30 a.m. – 9 votes; 10:00 a.m. – 1 vote).

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

**Missed You Cards:** Father Patrick will resume sending his weekly "Missed You Cards" today, Sunday, September 9. Coming together each week is very important and we hope that you will make every effort to attend our Sunday Eucharist. Common Family 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 next Sunday, September 16, 2018 at 8:50 a.m.

## FINANCE AND INVESTMENT

**From Our Treasurer:** If you are behind on your pledge, we would appreciate your catching up on it. Thanks, Bev

**Once-A-Day Lottery:** Winners will be notified by the Parish Administrator.

## 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.

**Free Community Dinner:** In order to help coordinate the generous donations to our Free Community Dinner on Saturday, September 15, 2018, there is a sign-up sheet in the parish hall on which you can indicate what items 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.

## 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.

**Vestry Meeting:** The Vestry will today, Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:45 a.m. in the Library.

**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

**Parish Anniversary Brunch:** On Wednesday, September 26 we will celebrate 169 years as the Parish Family of Saint Paul the Apostle. We will celebrate this anniversary with a brunch following our Sunday service on Sunday, September 23. We will not have our Annual Homecoming and Open House celebration this year; however this catered lunch for members will be a celebration of our mission and ministry together.

**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 evenings.

## OTHER EVENTS

**Lancaster Convocation Meeting:** The meeting will be held on September 20 (6:30 p.m.) at St. Edward Episcopal Church. All are invited. Convention Delegate and Alternate Delegate are expected to attend.

**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.



The Episcopal Home

### **Needs for the Episcopal Home in Shippensburg**

Deodorant (roll on for men & women)  
Dove bath bars  
Baby powder (small containers easier to handle)  
Lotion (small containers easier to handle)  
Kitchen towels & pot holders  
Hand towels (not thick ones)  
Large print word search books  
Sugar free candy only  
Clip on earrings (for bingo prizes)  
Necklaces 18" or longer to go over head (for bingo prizes)  
Small packs of tissues  
Wipes with aloe  
Men's cloth handkerchiefs  
Donation for Ice Cream Social (gift card to Giant)  
Gift card to staples (office supplies)  
White copy paper  
Wash cloths  
Post it notes  
Playing cards  
Chairs (wing back type with arms it is easier for them to get out of)  
Tide (to do laundry)  
Bowls with lids for left overs (all sizes)  
Scotch tape  
Nail polish (in light colors)  
Hot glue sticks  
Ribbon (for arts & crafts all colors & size)  
Heat resistant spatulas  
Lysol wipes or Clorox  
Pens  
2 qt. containers with lids  
Plastic 3 qt. size bowls/lids, round or square  
Depends or similar brand  
6 table clothes 60x84 same color

**PLEASE PLACE ITEMS IN THE BOX ON THE BACK PEW IN THE CHURCH**