



## **Saint Paul Episcopal Church with our community:**

### **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**

In 2004 a Lutheran pastor presided and preached at all Sunday Eucharists at Saint Paul Episcopal Church to begin the week. A Roman Catholic priest closed the week with a service of Evening Prayer.

### **Prayers of the People**

Included in the Prayers of the People at every Eucharist there are prayers for the Bishop of the Lower Susquehanna Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and the Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Harrisburg

### **Columbia Ministerium**

Father Patrick is currently President of the Columbia Ministerium which supports a number of ecumenical outreach programs: bus vouchers; emergency winter shelter; homeless day center; Homes of Hope; Community Life Network; Power Packs; Summer Feeding Program, The Columbia Clothing Bank, Meals on Wheels, The Columbia Food Bank, etc. The Ministerium provides a forum for a number of programs sponsored by member churches.

### **Free Community Meal Programs**

In addition to its 9 year monthly Free Community Breakfast Program (and Christmas Day), Saint Paul Episcopal Church provides space for two other churches (Impact Christian Center and The Columbia Christian Fellowship) so that they can provide free breakfast programs (one is monthly while the other is quarterly). Saint Paul also sponsors a Free Community Dinner Program which is held on the third Saturday of the month. There are five other churches in Columbia that sponsor either monthly or weekly meals. All the churches work together so that there are no conflicts in scheduling.

### **Celebrate Recovery Ministry**

Saint Paul Episcopal Church provides space to New Vision Church to conduct a weekly Celebrate Recovery Ministry Program.

### **The Columbia Food Bank**

For over 30 years, Saint Paul Episcopal Church has had a food bank that feeds the hungry of our community. We have over 40 volunteers and hundreds of donors who represent many different religious traditions.