

St. Paul News April 28, 2019



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St. Paul Lutheran Church
Lititz, PA

Welcome Visitors: We are glad you're here and we pray you experience God's presence in worship today. Please introduce yourself to the pastor and assisting minister as you leave worship. They would like to present you with a "Visitor Bag" to help you learn more about the ministry at St. Paul. We also invite you to sign our Visitor Book. Blessings to you, and we hope you join us again!

Highlights

- Invite your friends and family to the final concert in our Concert Series today at 3:00 pm. *Music for Everyone* is a non-profit organization that provides experiences to support music education in Lancaster County. Under the direction of Jonathan Shoff, this multi-age, multi-cultural community of singers romps through music of the world! See you there!
- The Stephen Ministers are hosting coffee hour today and providing information on their ministry. Stop by the table for more information.
- Annual Meeting is set for Sunday, May 5 after worship. This will include election of council and endowment committee members along with a review the financial statements of 2019.
- The official total for our Lenten service project is \$966.01. This money will guarantee a daily glass of milk for 13+ children for an entire year through Heiffer International! Thanks to ALL who donated!

The Altar Flowers are offered to the Glory of God by Denise Yohn in honor of her daughter in-law Sherri's birthday.

The Communion Bread is offered to the Glory of God by Ruth and Jon Deemer.

Welcome Class: Interested in becoming a member of St. Paul? We will be having a New Member's class in May. Please contact Pastor Rob (rev.rob@stpaulnitz.net) or the office (717-626-4709) if interested.

Nursery: children ages infant - 5 are welcome in the nursery! Church member volunteers with clearances will provide loving care to your kids while you worship! Please sign your children in & out of nursery.

Sermons Online: You can access Pastor Rob's sermons online via a "Quick Link" on the homepage of the St. Paul website.

Faith Formation

Sunday School: Here is where you can find your class:

<u>Sunday School Classes</u>	<u>Location</u>
Ages 3 – pre K	Lower Level Room 2
Grades K, 1 & 2	Lower Level Room 3
Grades 3 & 4	Lower Level Room 4
Grades 5 & 6	Lower Level Room 6
Grades 7 & 8 (Confirmation)	Social Hall Side Room
High School	Lower Level Room 5
Talk & Tots (Adults)	Nursery (ages 0-2 with adults)
Augsburg Class (Adults)	Media Room
Walk in Faith Class (Adults)	Meeting Room 110
Families in Faith Class (Adults)	Room 107

6th Grade Faith Step-Stone is Sunday, May 5th. Our 6th Graders will receive a Catechism as a tool for entering Confirmation.

Key Cards Deadline Approaching!

In an effort to gain better control on access to our building here at St. Paul's, the Safety Committee has developed a keycard request form that **must be** completed by members that currently have a keycard to access the building or for any one that would like to request a card in the future. **Forms are located outside the office in a hanging mailbox and can be found on the St. Paul website.**

Please note the following important dates/deadlines as we implement this new process:

Apr. 30 2019: All current keycard holders must complete a request form and submit it to the church office by this date. After review, members will be notified as to whether their request has been approved or denied. If approved, members can continue to use their card as usual. If the request is denied, the key will be deactivated and it is requested that the key be returned to the Church office (the keys can be recycled and re-used).

May 1 2019: On this date, any keycards without a completed request form will be deactivated. ***If you have not submitted the new request form by this date, your key card will no longer work and you will not be able to get in to the church.***

For any members that have a keycard and are no longer using it, please return the keycard to the Church office. The keys can be re-used and this will save the Church money by avoiding the cost of purchasing new cards (which are expensive).

Fellowship & Service

Adult Forum will be Sunday, May 19th at 12:00 noon in the Social Hall. Pastor Matt Lenahan and the Racial Justice Team from Zion Lutheran will be presenting the program entitled "Dear White Church: A Conversation about Racism".

Save The Date! The annual St. Paul Church **picnic** will be held on Sunday, June 9 in our pavilion from 4-7. Pulled pork sandwiches, hot dogs and homemade ice cream will be provided along with drinks, paper products and condiments. We ask that each family attending provide a side dish such as salads, fruit, vegetarian main dishes, baked beans etc. to serve 8-10 and singles and couples provide a dish for 6-8. Games and activities for all ages. Come join the fun! Please sign up in the Narthex.

Volunteers Needed: The St. Paul Property Committee is looking for volunteers to help prep all of the outside doors for painting. Contact the office if interested (717-626-4709).

St. Paul Garden Group: We are looking for members for this year's Garden Group to tend to the ten garden beds in front of our church. The group will meet for work details—on Tuesday evenings from 6:30-7:30pm and on Saturdays from 11 to noon. You may also tend the gardens when it suits your schedule. Work as often or as little as you would like. Look for sign-up information on the narthex kiosk. Our first working meeting is Tuesday, May 7 at 6:30pm. Call Marsha Campbell (717 626-8078) if you have other questions or need more information.

The Warwick Community Chest Food Bank requests the following during the month of April: condensed cream of chicken, mushroom and tomato soups, instant mashed potatoes, applesauce and canned fruit (most needed: peaches, pears, mandarin oranges and fruit cocktail). Please place items in the chest in the narthex.

Men's Bible Study and breakfast will take place on Saturday May 4 at St. Paul Penryn. Please note the new starting time which will be **8AM**. All men are invited to attend. Any questions please contact Jim Millhouse or Don Shaub.

Peter's Porch at Zion Lutheran in Akron

On the third Saturday of every month, Peter's Porch provides free breakfast, clothing, a bag of food including eggs, produce and meat, along with fellowship & conversation to those in need.

Many volunteers are needed to make this happen. How can you help?

- Bag Food – normally the second Wednesday of the month 6:00 to 7:00 PM
- Unload and store food from Central Pennsylvania Food Bank and CAP – normally the second Wednesday of the month 9:30 to 11:00 AM
- Sort/Fold Clothing – second and third Wednesday of the month 6:00 to 7:30 PM
- Peter's Porch 7:30 to 10:00 AM: The Third Saturday of the month.
 - Cooking – scrambled eggs and French toast
 - Serving – food to our guests
 - Clothing Rooms – hand plastic bags to the guests for clothing
 - Carry Bags – assist the guests to carry food and clothing to their cars

Signup sheets are on the kiosks in the Narthex or contact Barrie Schmid;
Schmidpond@gmail.com, 717-917-7879.

Stephen Ministry

Today is Stephen Ministry Sunday (sponsored in part by Thrivent Financial). Stephen Ministry is a formal one-on-one confidential lay caring ministry to people experiencing difficulties in their lives. Stephen Ministry expands the care ministry of a congregation by following with people for many months after a crisis hits until they can find a new normal in their lives. This is why Stephen Ministers are sometimes called, “The After People” (see the display on the refreshment table). St Paul will be starting a new training class for Stephen Ministers in the fall. The letter below shares what it means to be a Stephen Ministry and how this can be a life-changing experience. Please talk to one of our current Stephen Minister’s about how you can join with us in this critical care ministry.

I was in St Paul’s first class of Stephen Ministers; Pastor Gable was new to St Paul and felt this was a valuable program to aid in our ministry. No minister can take care of all the needs of a congregation and this program gives parishioners a chance to really connect with people in need. When I was young and challenging to my parents the church was where we went for counsel. Being raised in a Christ based home where the church was a fundamental part of my counseling to grow as an adult, becoming a Stephen Minister made sense. I like the philosophy of being present for a person in need knowing that I’m the caregiver and Christ is the cure-giver. The training came at a time in my life when I needed care. Through the training you get to know others on a deeper level than what happens seeing people on Sunday and sitting next to them in the service. I believe Christ wants us to be present with others and the training creates awareness and educates on good listening skills. My care receivers have had many challenges that made it difficult to rely on family and friends for counsel. I was able to be present and let them share about their challenges. We created bonds of care and support and friendships that last after the need for care ends. I was provided care during the training in dealing with a family mental health issue, marriage separation, and regular life challenges. The supervision meetings keep us focused on our needs and the needs of the care receivers. My spirit has been elevated through this ministry and I’ve used the training in my interactions with others. My mantra throughout is to let go and let God take care of all needs. This keeps my mind at peace. I hope you’ll consider joining the next training to grow in faith and relationship with others.

Sincerely,
Kathy Ross

Worship Volunteers

We would love for you to join us in service. For more information about volunteering, contact the church office (717)-626-4709, office@stpaulstitz.net.

Visit our online sign up at <https://ttsu.me/stpaulworship>

<u>April 28</u>	<u>8:00</u>	<u>10:45</u>
Acolyte	Pat Lamb	Audrey Myallis
AG Set Up	Carol Miller	-
AG Set/Clean Up	Brenda Penny	-
AG Clean Up		Deb Herr
Assist. Minister	Jenny Bitzer	Nancy Miller
Comm. Asst.	Need 3	Kathy Ross Need 2
Greeters		
Lector	Jenny Bitzer	Nancy Miller
Lights/Sound	Mike Herr	Don Campbell
Nursery	Lee and Molly Zelewicz	
Ushers	Steve Troutman Team 17	Emmy Savage Team 16
<u>May 5</u>	<u>8:00</u>	<u>10:45</u>
Acolyte	Needed	Magdalena Turner
AG Set Up	Dave and Marty Althouse	
AG Set/Clean Up	Cindy Wingenroth	-
AG Clean Up	-	Kathy Trayer and Linda Vance
Assist. Minister	Needed	Jim Millhouse
Comm. Asst.	Need 3	Kathy Ross Need 2
Greeters	Needed	Needed
Lector	Need	Kathy Ross
Lights/Sound	Melissa Lamb	George Nickle
Ushers	John Steffy Team 13	Wayne Gongaware Team 14

Attendance: Apr. 21: 254 (8:00), 346 (10:45)

Two Week Calendar at a Glance

April 28-May 4	May 5-11
SUN 8:00 Worship 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Worship 3:00 Music for Everyone Concert	SUN – Annual Meeting 8:00 Worship 9:30 Sunday School 9:30 Ruth Circle 10:45 Worship 6:30 Youth Group
MON 1:00 Archives 4:30 Children’s Chimes 6:00 Yoga 7:00 Jubilate Bells	MON 4:30 Children’s Chimes 6:00 Yoga 7:00 Jubilate Bells
TUES 10:00 Staff Mtg 6:00 CELC Training	TUES 10:00 Staff Mtg 7:00 Knitting Group
WED 11:00 Staff Devotion 1:15 Luther Acres Circle 2:00 Senior Group 7:00 Adult Choir 7:00 Devotion Rehearsal	WED 11:00 Staff Devotion 6:15 CELC Staff Mtg. 7:00 Adult Choir 7:00 Devotion Rehearsal
THURS 9:15 CELC Chapel 10:00 Pastor’s Bible Study 6:00 Stewardship Mtg 6:30 Oula 7:00 Pastor’s Bible Study	THURS 9:15 CELC Chapel 10:00 Pastor’s Bible Study 6:30 Oula 7:00 Pastor’s Bible Study
SAT 7:30 Safe Church Cluster	FRI/SAT

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Connect With Us!

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Online Giving:

<https://www.stpaulnitz.net/giving.html>