

PAUL'S PARISH NEWS



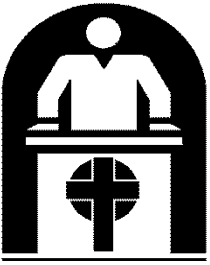
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Dear Members and Friends,

A pastor colleague of mine on occasion asks the people of his congregation about the blessings they've received in their lives. Not surprisingly, the blessings most noted were those of family, friends, health, church, food, shelter, clothing, pets, and, of course, chocolate.⁸

If you think about it, we are people who are greatly blessed. If you can spare a moment, I urge you to take out a piece of paper and write down your blessings. I would think the paper would fill up quickly.

When God blessed Abram in Genesis, he told him to go and use his blessings to bless others. We can use our many blessings to bless others. It may be as simple as sharing a smile with a coworker. It may be as extensive as sharing your home with a friend in need. It may be that there is someone near to us who needs the blessing of a listening ear.

We have the opportunity of extending our blessings through the work of the church. Together we touch the lives of the poor and oppressed. Together we make a tremendous impact on the lives of children, teens, and adults who are searching for strength in a troubled world. In May our church had a Mission Interpreter come to us and tell us how our Mission Support (Benevolence) dollars help to minister to people locally, and around the world.

Today is a wonderful time to think about your blessings and to think of ways you can bless the lives of others. May the divine chain reaction of blessings continue through your life and flow into the lives of many others.

Pastor Miller

SAFETY MEASURES

Because of recent "active shooter" incidents around the country, churches have taken steps to try to prevent such things from happening on their properties. Our church council decided that it would be in the best interest of the safety of the congregation to **lock the main entrance doors to the church 10 minutes after the start of worship starting June 2nd**. There will be somebody "manning" the doors at all times during worship so that if someone is comes later than 10:40 am, that person will be able to enter the church for worship. The door at the end of the hallway has always been locked at about 10:30 am and that procedure will remain the same.

While I'm sure you will agree that it is unfortunate that we have come to this point in our society where we must take these steps, the council felt that this was necessary for our safety.

Pastor Carey Miller

VOICE MAIL MESSAGE TO CHURCH

The office hours of the church are Monday to Thursday, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm. No one is in the office on Fridays. If you leave a message, Pastor Miller will check the messages over the weekend. Also, Pastor Miller can be reached on his cell phone (610-704-4645) by calling or texting. This phone number will be published in the bulletin.

If you have a volunteer scheduling issue: If you cannot make your scheduled volunteer assignment, it is noted on your scheduled assignment letter that you have the option of calling the office **OR** calling the council person of the month which is listed at two different places on your scheduling letter.

You may also make your own arrangements to switch with someone. If it is done far enough ahead of time, please notify Cindy at the office.

THANK YOU!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

The Evangelism Committee wants to thank EVERYONE who supported the Community Breakfast and Easter Egg Hunt this year! If it wasn't for you donating money, filling eggs, and volunteering for all aspects of the event, this event would NOT have been possible! This event was a huge success with over 130 attendees for breakfast and 69 kids in attendance for the hunt, and we definitely want to host this again next year. So...SAVE THE DATE: April 4, 2020! Look for announcements in early 2020; in the meantime, speak with Angie Kropf for any related topics.

YARD SALE/BLOOD DRIVE

As you may know, there is a yard sale on Saturday, June 8th (8 AM to 1 PM). Miller-Keystone is having a blood drive here that day, as well. Sign-up sheets are in the narthex for the yard sale, concession and bake sale donations, and shift coverage for concessions.

To donate blood:

Call Miller-Keystone at 800-223-6667 (press 2).

OR

Visit GIVEaPINT.org ---> click Give Blood, click Schedule Now, enter 18087 and check Mobile Drive to search. Proceed with registration after selecting our event.

Our online registration sponsor code is 8194.

IRONPIGS GAME

Sunday, August 25, 2019 and game time is 1:35 p.m. We again will be in the PennTele Data Party Porch 3. Those who attended the game again last year enjoyed the fact we were the only ones in the porch. We were under cover and the food was great. Mark your calendars.

The sign-up sheet is on the table in the narthex. There are 30 tickets available.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATE

Congratulations are in order for Joshua Solderich. He will be graduating from Emmaus High School on June 9, 2019. Way to go Josh. We are all very proud of you.



UPDATE FOR THE 2019 CARNIVAL:

The Evangelism Committee decided to cancel the 2019 carnival, which was originally scheduled for September 15th. Due to scheduling conflicts and not having a rain date option, we decided it would be best to cancel and focus all our efforts on forming a committee solely focused on opening the carnival to the public (for additional community outreach) for early-June 2020.

Please see Angie Kropf to join the carnival committee; Angie will gladly take the lead, so there is no excuse ☺

MIRACULOUS MISSION VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Is everyone ready for another amazing week of VBS? It's going to be out of this world!

July 22nd-July 26th

6-8:30 pm

Ages 3-12

Go to the following link to register on as well.

<https://vbsmate.com/Stpaulsttown>

We are looking for volunteers to be guides and site leaders. Let Katie Pisauro or Anita Eisenhard know if you are interested!

CARD MINISTRY



Here at St. Paul's we send cards to members of the congregation who are ill or in need of a cheerful word. These cards are on the table in the narthex. When you are here on a Sunday, or during the week, check the table to see if there is a card. Please sign your name and help bring a smile to a fellow member.

ALTAR FLOWER AND BULLETIN SPONSORS FOR 2019

Your sponsorship of the flowers and the bulletins is a great way to pay tribute to someone special in your life and also to help offset the cost of these weekly items for the church.

The prices will stay the same. Altar flowers – one vase is \$22 or both vases at \$44. If you are sponsoring both bouquets, **PLEASE** sign your name to **BOTH LINES**. The cost for the bulletin sponsors will remain at \$20 per week.

The flower chart and bulletin chart are posted on the bulletin board. If you would like to call the church and reserve a spot for a date, please feel free to do so.

HOSPITALIZED?

Parish Code for hospitalized parishioners is 321. Please give this code when you are admitted to the hospital so the pastor can be made aware that you are a patient and can administer the pastoral care you require while you are hospitalized.

Please take note, that if you are admitted on a Thursday night, Friday, Saturday, or Sunday, the pastor will not be aware that you are hospitalized until Monday mid-morning, since the church does not have office hours on Friday, and the hospital pastoral care office is not available on Saturday or Sunday.

This means, if you would like the Pastor to know you are hospitalized on the weekend, please call the church office or the Pastor.

PRAYER CHAIN COMMITTEE



A note to let you know that if anyone is in need of additional prayers for someone in your family or someone you know, please call Judy Walker at 610-351-6040 or cell # 610-573-7117. She will start the prayer chain by calling the people who serve on that committee. They in turn will keep extra prayers going for that person. All we need is a name of someone in need of prayer; a reason does not have to be given as to why you want the extra prayers.

If you would like to become a member of this committee, just let me know. I am contacting the Prayer Chain Committee electronically using text messages and email from my cell phone. If you do not have a cell phone or computer, we can still contact you by phone. So if you want to be of service to those who need extra prayers, just contact me using the numbers above or see me at Church. This only takes a brief amount of time and there are no meetings to attend! We all need extra prayers and they do not take a lot of time but are of great comfort.

FOOD BANK ITEM(S) FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE

The congregation has donated to the Food Bank throughout the year but the needs of those less fortunate continue. So please continue to bring nonperishable food items along to worship.

Each month we plan to feature a food item, but any item will be acceptable.

Food Bank is currently in need of plastic shopping bags.

THANK YOU to all who brought in tuna & canned meat during our May collection for the food bank.

During June our “food of the month” will be noodles and macaroni.

WOMEN OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF AMERICA

At our May 8 meeting we discussed the upcoming NEPA Women of the ELCA Convention on May 18 and our Fall Fun Event September 27, 28 at Kirby Episcopal House

Our Bible Study as *From generation to generation: Two-way blessings... We learn from examples in Scripture* by Christa von Zychlin.

Then on May 18, about 30 Women gathered for the 30th annual convention of NEPA Women of the ELCA at Trinity Lutheran Church in Lehighon. Worship was led by The Rev Nancy L. Moore and Bishop Zeiser. *I Love to Tell the Story* was our theme. Our keynote speaker was Executive Board Member, Joy Michalicek from Duluth, MN. She shared some stories from her ministry as well as speaking about W-ELCA; what we are; who we are; and how to ask women to join our group and say *thank you* after they attend.

- Sharon Bortz was re-elected as secretary
- Sandi Wagaman was re-elected as a board member
 - Sharon Bortz has been appointed to be *The Flame* editor for one year. If anyone has anything they would like to be in *The Flame*, please let Sharon know.

Delegates for the Eleventh Triennial Convention in Phoenix, AZ, July 14-16, 2020 were elected. Women are planning on attending the Eleventh Triennial Gathering in Phoenix, AZ, July 16-19, 2020.

- More information will be published for this event.

Fall Fun and Service Event: Kirby Episcopal House, 381 Sunset Road, Glen Summit, Mountain Top, PA. Kirby House can accommodate 25 overnight guests; so first come, first to get a bed!!☺ Overnight guests \$60; Saturday guests \$25. More information will be in *The Flame* which is the NEPA Women of the ELCA newsletter which should be published within the next month.

Our next meeting will be on September 11 at 9:30 a.m. taking a break over the summer.

ALLENTOWN AREA ECUMENICAL FOOD BANK

The A.A.E. Food Bank has suggested adding some new items for congregations to donate throughout the summer. Please consider bringing any of the following items and placing them in the box in the narthex.

cereal	powdered milk
Spam	cooking oil
granola bars	mustard/ketchup
protein bars	pancake mix/syrup
cake mixes	individually pkg. nuts
mayonnaise	canned or instant potatoes
small sugar or flour	Hamburger/Tuna Helper
Mac & Cheese, ravioli in small microwavable container	

EMMAUS CHORALE CONCERT

The Emmaus Chorale will present their Spring concert, “Endings & Beginnings” on Sunday, June 9th at 3:00 p.m. at Faith Presbyterian Church, N. Second St. & Cherokee St. in Emmaus, PA. Our director is Janet David. A freewill offering will be taken and refreshments will be served following the concert. Hope to see you there.

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 1 Synod Assembly in Hazelton
June 8 Yard Sale/Blood Drive 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
June 30 Red, White & Blue Potluck in Pavilion
July 22 – 26 VBS 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

THANK YOU

Dear Members of St. Paul's Lutheran Church,

Thank you very much for the gift of \$200 that we received in March of 2019. We are grateful for your support and for your partnership in the Gospel. It takes a great team of people & congregations to keep the ministry of Bear Creek Camp alive and well and we are very thankful that your congregation is part of our team.

We are very excited about what God is doing at Bear Creek Camp. We are happy to provide opportunities for spiritual growth, community building, faith formation and exciting adventures to all our campers and guests. We understand the positive impact that time at Bear Creek Camp has on our campers and we pray that they will take home what they learn here and share it with others in word and deed.

I encourage you to keep up with all that is happening at Bear Creek Camp by checking out our website at bearcreekcamp.org or by “liking” our page on Facebook. We would also welcome you to bring members of your congregation to the camp as we would love to show you around and explore all we have to offer.

Thank you again for your gift! We thank God for you!

Sincerely,
Karen Heser
Program and Development Assistant

MEMORIAL CONTRIBUTIONS

A memorial contribution has been received in memory of Betty Bieber by her daughter Lori Noffsinger.



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| 1 Matthew Bruchak | 12 Cathy Waltemyer |
| 1 Zoe Henichek | 14 Sandy Bennighoff |
| 2 Paige Inman | 16 Christine NemeH |
| 3 Sharon Bortz | 19 Baileigh Mount |
| 3 James Kresley | 19 Keith Theodore |
| 5 Sandy Huegel | 21 Linda Krotzer |
| 6 Paul Trainor | 21 Sydney Mesko |
| 8 Heather Caricari | 25 Jerry Sedlak |
| 9 Vanessa Eiswerth | 27 Shirley Binkley |
| 9 Sandi Wagaman | 29 Becky Theodore |
| 11 Bill Knoll | 30 Mari Eiswerth |
| 11 Fahed Sallit | |



- 3 Moses & Cecilia Ajamu
- 4 Robert & Betty Bastian
- 5 Kelly & Michelle Kirn
- 9 Jim & Cindy Krasnansky
- 11 Carey & Nancy Miller
- 13 Paul & Denise Trainor
- 15 Jeff & Cathy Waltemyer
- 15 Dick & Nancy Steltz
- 16 Steph & Bill Wagaman
- 17 Ed & Daisy Pearson
- 18 Frank & Sandy Bennighoff
- 18 Frank & Judy Szukics
- 20 Ada & Charles Bennicoff
- 22 Bruce & Sandi Wagaman
- 26 Jeffrey & Melody Pavlacka
- 29 Gretchen & Dan Gotthard
- 30 Bob & Kim Bruchak

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF OUR CHURCH IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Peg Apgar	Linford Bastian	Anita Eisenhard	Doris Fenner
Calvin Fetherolf	Helen Kessler	Peggy Kern	Bill Knoll
Judy Kresley	Esther Nolfe	Carl Schmoyer	Kathy Shryock
Frank Szukics	John Thomas	Irene Wenz	

WHAT RAIN REVEALS



Unless you're a pluviophile (someone who loves rain), a stretch of sunshine-free days can seem drab and dreary. To make South Korea's long monsoon season more colorful, art students created murals on some Seoul sidewalks with hydrochromic paint. It's invisible on dry surfaces, but as soon as water hits, vibrant images appear. Rain transforms gray pavement into bright scenes of fish, whales and turtles.

Life's storms, whether literal or figurative, can dampen our enthusiasm and even challenge our faith. Yet adversity often reveals God's true colors — and ours. No matter what clouds pass overhead, God remains perfect, loving and steadfast. And by praising God "rain or shine," we, as his artwork, reveal that our Creator and his every brushstroke are trustworthy.

REASONS TO REJOICE

Proverbs 11:10 (NIV) says, "When the righteous prosper, the city rejoices." The Hebrew word for *righteous*, notes Timothy Keller, indicates people who, because they believe in God, "disadvantage themselves to advantage those around them." In other words, people living righteously "will be such a benefit to the public good of the whole city that the entire populace will exult."

Keller then asks: "Are you the kind of person, and is your church the kind of church, about which others in your community might say, 'I don't share their beliefs, but I shudder to think about what this city would be like without them'?"

WHAT A WONDER!

It is not the task of Christianity to provide easy answers to every question but to make us progressively aware of a mystery. God is not so much the object of our knowledge as the cause of our wonder.

—Kallistos Ware

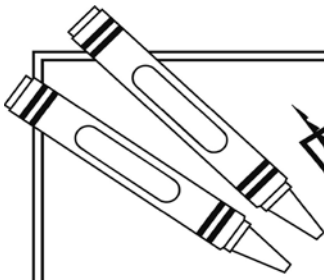


Puzzle!

Write the names of the parents of these biblical children.
For help, look up the verses in an NIV Bible.

Joash (<i>2 Kings 11:2</i>)	A _____
Obed (<i>Matthew 1:5</i>)	B _____
Joseph (<i>Genesis 35:22-24</i>)	C _____
John the disciple (<i>Matthew 4:21</i>)	D _____
John the Baptist (<i>Luke 1:13</i>)	E _____
	F _____
Lo-Ruhamah (<i>Hosea 1:3, 6</i>)	G _____
Jezreel (<i>Hosea 1:2-4</i>)	H _____
Esau (<i>Genesis 25:28</i>)	I _____
David (<i>1 Samuel 16:19</i>)	J _____
Jacob (<i>Genesis 25:28</i>)	K _____
Samuel (<i>1 Samuel 1:19-20</i>)	L _____
Gershom (<i>Exodus 2:21-22</i>)	M _____
Samuel (<i>1 Samuel 1:19-20</i>)	N _____
Jesse (<i>Matthew 1:5</i>)	O _____
Gershom (<i>Exodus 2:21-22</i>)	P _____
	Q _____
Joseph (<i>Genesis 35:23-24</i>)	R _____
Isaac (<i>Genesis 21:3</i>)	S _____
John the Baptist (<i>Luke 1:13</i>)	T _____
Jonathan (<i>1 Samuel 14:1</i>)	U _____
Solomon (<i>1 Kings 2:1</i>)	V _____
	W _____
	X _____
Jesus (<i>Matthew 1:18</i>)	Y _____
Isaiah (<i>Isaiah 1:1</i>)	Z _____

Answers: Ahaziah, Boaz, Jacob, Zebede, Zechariah, Gomer, Hosea, Isaac, Jesse, Rebekah, Elikanah, Moses, Hannah, Obed, Zipporah, Rachel, Sarah, Elizabeth, Saul, David, Mary, Amoz

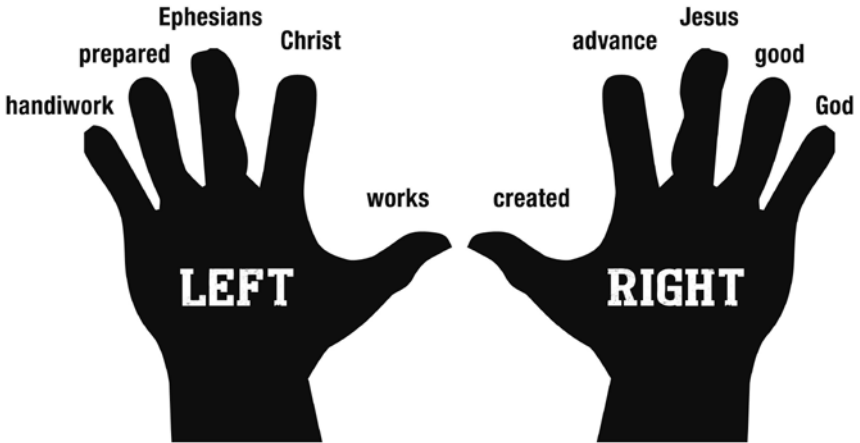


PUZZLE

Handiwork to do good works

God has a special plan and purpose for each of us.

Directions: Use the finger-position clues under the blanks below to complete Ephesians 2:10, NIV.



For we are God's _____, _____ in
L pinky R thumb

_____ to do _____,
L pointer R middle R ring L thumb

which _____ in _____
R pinky L ring R pointer

for us to do. _____ 2:10, NIV
L middle

Answer: handiwork, created, Christ, Jesus, good, works, God, prepared, advance, Ephesians

**DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT
NEWSLETTER IS**

JUNE 16, 2019

**PLEASE HAVE YOUR
ARTICLES SUBMITTED TO
THE CHURCH OFFICE
BY THIS DATE.**



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