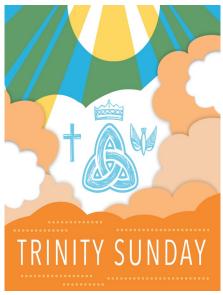
## PAUL'S PARISH NEWS



SAINT PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH Breinigsville, PA

### **JUNE 2025**





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## The Pastor's Corner

Dear Friends at St. Paul's,

My name is Pastor Ginny Goodwin. I have been asked by Synod and approved by your council to serve as your Interim Pastor. So, who am I and where did I come from? I am a native Philadelphian who attended the Philadelphia public schools, Delaware Valley College in New Britain and later the LTSP seminary as a second career student. I have two children and eight grandchildren, ages 25-35, and 6 great grand-children. Most live in Bucks County and are very active in their own churches. One summer six of my grandchildren went on the same missions' trip together.

Before attending The Lutheran Seminary at Philadelphia, my career path was varied and eclectic; managing a doll house miniature shop, school bus driver, administrative assistant for the March of Dimes Birth Defect Foundation, Field Manager for Welcome Wagon, and quality control for a large insurance and investment company.

I have been in the Northeast Pennsylvania Synod since 2004. I was called to St Peter's in Easton, and have served several other congregations as an interim throughout the Lehigh Valley and in Schuylkill County. Most recently, I ministered to St Mark, Allentown in a part-time interim pastor capacity.

In addition, a few years ago, I was co-coordinator for the Share Our Surplus Warehouse for Lutheran Congregational Services. We distributed surplus laundry detergent, fabric softener and home health care products to food banks and social agencies in a seven-county area. The products became unavailable in 2017 and we had to close the ministry.

Here at St Paul's, I will be calling on those who are in the hospital and those who are unable to attend church taking them communion. I will also be available at your church or in your homes to meet with you by appointment. Please call the church office so I will be sure not to miss you.

In addition, I will be working with your council as we explore opportunities for the people of this parish to continue to be the servants of

Christ in and around Breinigsville and surrounding areas. My preaching schedule will have me in your pulpit most weeks throughout the year. I look forward to getting to know each of you.

God's peace and blessings to you all,

Pastor Ginny

#### **SUNDAY WORSHIP**

Worship services will again be held each week at 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. starting June 1st.

Thank you for your cooperation during the month of May as we worshiped with Supply Pastors. Pastor Zacharda, Pastor Goodwin and Pastor Quincey were able to fulfill our needs and provide encouragement as well as interesting sermons. It is our good fortune to now have Pastor Virginia Goodwin (Pastor Ginny) as our Interim Pastor until we are ready to call a permanent pastor.

Worship service at the 10:30 time slot will continue to be streamed on Facebook for those that are unable to worship in person. If you are able to arrive by 10:20 you will be able to experience the special music that we are unable to stream due to licensing issues. The choir will be on vacation from singing together over the summer months but there will be some musical surprises.

# UPCOMING EVENTS FROM THE FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE

June 7	8:00 a.m. Yard Sale	
June 8	11:30 a.m. Potluck	
June 13	6:00 p.m. Meal	7:00 p.m. Movie
June 22	1:35 p.m. IronPigs G	ame (Gates open at Noon)

Signup sheets are available for these events on the table in the narthex.

## **Monday Morning Weekly Bible Study**

#### Attention! Attention!! Attention!!!

## We bring you good news.

We hope you enjoyed your four week hiatus from coming to church on a Monday morning at 9:30 a.m. for Bible study with the pastor. We know many of you were sad to have these sessions coming to a halt. However, here is the good news! Our Interim, Pastor Ginny, was very agreeable to continuing our weekly studies beginning on Monday, June 2 at 9:30. She is flexible if we wish to change our time to 10:00 or 10:30 should that be the group desire. We will discuss this at our first session.

Looking forward to having a good turnout on the 2<sup>nd</sup> to welcome Pastor Ginny.

Everyone is welcome to participate.

### **IRONPIGS GAME**



The IronPigs game, Sunday, June 22, 2025. Game time is 1:35 p.m. Gates open at Noon. We are in the PenTeleData 3<sup>rd</sup> Base Party Porch. We have 33 people attending the game. Payment for your ticket is due by June 2<sup>nd</sup>. Tickets will be handed out by the 8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>.

#### EVANGELISM/FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE

The yard sale is coming up on June 7<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in cleaning out your house, please consider signing up for our annual yard sale. It is \$10.00 a space and remember, one person's trash is another person's treasure.

The church monthly potluck is happening on June 8<sup>th</sup> after the 10:30 service in fellowship hall. Bring something to share and join us for food, fun, and fellowship.

Our June movie night is scheduled for Friday, June 13<sup>th</sup>. The movie has not yet been picked. We have pizza at 6 p.m. and the movie will begin at 7 p.m. Mark your calendar for this night. Come out and get to know your fellow parishioners.

#### PRAYER SHAWL GROUP NEWS



Our octopus family is growing! We are continuing to work on the **Crocheted/Knitted Octopuses for Preemies** for St. Luke's Hospital NICU. Thanks to all of our makers! If you are interested in joining us, see Steph for patterns.

Just a reminder that in addition to our yearly charity knit/crochet project, we continue to make prayer shawls. There are always prayer

shawls on hand – if you know of someone who could use a shawl or lap robe, please see Steph, Sandi, or Judy.

<u>Plarn Project/Monthly Working Sessions</u> – Our June Plarn session is scheduled for **Tuesday**, **June 17 at 1:30PM**. It is a fun and productive working session. We are trying to come up with ways to get more use out of the two weaving looms, which are currently used once a month during plarn sessions. One idea is to schedule additional time on looms, for anyone who would be willing to come in and weave on their own. If that is of interest, please let Steph know.

Note that we cannot accept plastic bags for now – the closet is full! Please do not drop off any more bags until further notice.

## THANK YOU

Dear St. Paul' Lutheran Church WELCA,

Thank you for your gift of \$100.00 to Lutheran Disaster Response.

Your Spirit-filled generosity helps families and communities reeling from disasters, in the immediate aftermath and far into the future. No matter the disaster, no matter the need, your gifts to Lutheran Disaster response enable people to rebuild their lives and livelihoods.

Thank you for your gracious gifts. You make Gods love real.

With gratitude,

The Rev. Daniel Rift

Director, Congregational Generosity

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

# WOMEN OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH [WELCA]

Our monthly meeting was on Wednesday, May 14, 2025, and the group discussed:

• The 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention, June 14, 2025, at St. John's Nazareth; topic is *Renew Yourself with Gods Word*. The convention mailing completed at the end of March.

The May Bible study was a Devotional Study: Receiving the Spirit's flame, *Spiritual gifts in the life of the church* by Cara Strickland.

#### ALL WOMEN ARE INVITED TO THESE EVENTS

Join us on Wednesday, June 11, 2025, at 9:30 a.m. for our next meeting.

#### USHERS/WORSHIP ASSISTANTS ARE NEEDED

We are in need of people to help with the 10:30 a.m. worship service. For the service, worship is the same as before Covid 19 - i.e. hymns are sung, offering is collected in the pew, and communion is taken at the altar. You will be handing out the bulletin, helping to collect offering, and directing the congregation to the altar and handing them a communion cup.

We are always looking for additional worship assistants at the 10:30 a.m. service – especially ushers. Please consider volunteering as an usher, greeter, reader, communion bread supplier, communion assistant, or on altar guild. Even if you can only volunteer at certain times of the year, the scheduler can work around and accommodate busy and varying schedules.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration on assisting in worship. If you would be willing and interested in helping, please contact Steph Wagaman at 610-395-0355 or stepbillwagaman@rcn.com or call the church office at 610-398-7000.

## **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.

#### HOSPITALIZED?

Parish Code for hospitalized parishioners is 321. Please give this code when you are admitted to the hospital so the church 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 church 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 church to know you are hospitalized on the weekend, please call the church office and leave a message.



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6 Paul Trainor
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8 Roger Conrad
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9 Sandi Wagaman
12 Cathy Waltemyer
14 Sandy Bennighoff

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15 Jeff & Cathy Waltemyer
15 Dick & Nancy Steltz
16 Steph & Bill Wagaman
17 Ed & Daisy Pearson
18 Frank & Sandy Bennighoff
19 Roger & Kathy Conrad
22 Bruce & Sandi Wagaman
26 Jeffrey & Melody Pavlacka
30 Bob & Kim Bruchak

9 Cindy & Jim Krasnansky 13 Paul & Denise Trainor

## DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT NEWSLETTER IS JUNE 15, 2025

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



**CHURCH OFFICE: 610-398-7000** 

**HOSPITAL CODE: #321** 

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## **STAFF**

Interim Pastor	The Rev. Virginia Goodwin
Organist/Choir Director	Ms. Judy Noll
Handbell Director	Mr. Richard Steltz
Parish Secretary	Mrs. Cindy Krasnansky