



The Beacon

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Issue 06 August 2026

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

Council Highlights
Worship & Music Info



PASTORAL CARE

Your Pastoral Care needs may be communicated to Pastor Roy, (717) 350-5057 or our Church Council President, Ron Colvin, (717) 574-8365. Pastor Roy is available by appointment.

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Please plan on joining us...

Quickel Joint Worship & Picnic, August 16, 2026. St Paul's will not be having Worship, we will join Quickel at 10:30 a.m. for Worship followed by a wonderful time of Fellowship and Picnic. Hamburg barbecue, hot dogs, rolls, and beverage will be provided by the Parish Life Committee. Please bring a covered dish and/or dessert to share. Also, bring your place settings for your family.

We will be playing Bingo. Feel free to bring a small prize to share for Bingo (wrapped or unwrapped). There will be games for the kids. We will have a cake walk.

A sign up sheet is posted in the overflow area on the bulletin board, please list your name, how many will be attending and the food item that you are bringing to share. Remember don't forget your own place setting. Thanks!

For any questions please contact... **Quickel Lutheran, 60 Canal Road, Ext. York, PA 17406, (717) 266-4179 / quickellutheran.org**

Upcoming events:

Fall Elementary School Walker Giveaway:

Tuesday Sept. 22nd at 3:30pm.

Congregational Luncheon:

Reformation Sunday, October 25, 2026

Trick or Treat Night in Dillsburg:

Date to be determined

First Responders Breakfast in November:

Date to be determined



Dear St. Paul's,

I was reminded of this season of vacations when I found this poem rolled up in the "between the seats" zone in my car, from a retreat in the spring:



I have a feeling that my boat has struck, down there in the depths, against a great thing.

And nothing happens! Nothing...Silence...Waves...

--Nothing happens? Or has everything happened, and are we standing now, quietly, in the new life?

--Juan Ramon Jimenez

This season, may we set aside the time needed to know that we are indeed in contact with the Depths of Life. We are not alone. We are surrounded by friends, if we take notice. The Depths reveal the friends within and around us.

A joyful summer season to all.

Pastor Roy

Financials for June 2026

	03/31/2026	04/30/2026	05/31/2026	06/30/2026	06/30/2026 YTD	Budget YTD
General Giving Income	\$ 12,480	\$ 11,826	\$ 9,550	\$ 11,156	\$ 60,260	\$ 62,500
Designated Income	\$ 5,695	\$ 7,878	\$ 6,108	\$ 6,718	\$ 36,176	\$ 35,600
Total Income	\$ 18,175	\$ 19,704	\$ 15,657	\$ 17,874	\$ 96,435	\$ 98,100
Xfer From Investments	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$6,000
Expenses	\$ 18,139	\$ 15,655	\$ 16,684	\$ 17,455	\$ 108,778	\$117,153
Balance	\$ 36.	\$ 4,049	\$ (1,027)	\$ 5,419	\$ (7,343)	(\$13,053)

Worship at St. Paul's Serving You Today

Assisting Ministers

August

02 Gace Busch
09 Sue Wenger
16 Suzanne Sheaffer
23 Jill Busch
30 Lois Young

September

06 S. Miller
13 R. Buckham
20 Sharon Colvin
27 Ted Shumaker

Lectors

August

02 May Lutz
09 Sharon Colvin
16 Kim Sebestyen
23 Lisa Torio
30 Suzanne Sheaffer

September

06 R. Buckham
13 Pam Shook
20 Kim Sebestyen
27 Sue Wenger

Live Streaming Technician

August

02 Dave Gerstenlauer
09 Sharon Colvin
16 Suzanne Sheaffer
23 Lisa Torio
30 Dave Gerstenlauer

September

06 Sharon Colvin
13 Suzanne Sheaffer
20 Lisa Torio
27 D. Gerstenlauer

Ushers

Randy Stough (Head Usher)
Dwight Lehman (Assistant)

Altar Guild

August

Liana Griffie

September

Yvonne & Kim Sebestyen

Altar Flowers and Bulletins: **Notice:** Altar Flowers \$55.00 and Bulletins \$10.00 Please use the envelopes next to the sign up sheets. Thank you.

Altar Flowers

August

02
09
16 P. Broody Alexander
23 Annetta Zea
30

September

06 Lisa Torio
13 R & S. Wenger
20 Dale Zea
27 Lisa Torio

Bulletins

August

02
09
16
23 Annetta Zea
30

September

06 Available
13 Dale Zea
20 Jeff Griffin
27 Available



Please submit articles for the August 2026 issue of the Newsletter to Annetta no later than July 20, 2026.



For any website updates or additions, please contact Andy Buffington at andrewbuffington1@gmail.com



School Bags for Lutheran World Relief

It is the time of year when we gather school supplies during Summer so we are ready to assemble in the early fall. We need help having the “contents” available for them to do so.

This list is ever changing – but we primarily need supplies for 144 backpacks:



**Monetary donations for up to
\$250.00 to cover the cost of Backpacks.**

Item	Original Needed	Have	Still needed
Pens	720	696	69
Pencils	720	720	complete
Erasers	144	134	10
Sharpeners	144	115	29
Notebooks	576	507	69
Crayons	144	115	31
Scissors	144	144	COMPLETE
Rulers	144	133	11
Backpacks	144	144	COMPLETE

Thanks, everyone, for your help with this. Christian Ed. Committee



Council Updates - July

- ♦ As St. Paul's is a designated heating/cooling and emergency center, a list of members who volunteered to help man the center will be generated, as someone from the church needs to be present in the event of the building being utilized.
- ♦ The Vanguard investment is \$10,000 ahead of last year at this time. However, offerings are down \$5000 from June of last year.
- ♦ The church's banking account has been opened at Adams County National Bank.
- ♦ The final updates to the directory will be made by September 1st. Please have any updates to the church office before that time.



BLOOD DRIVE

The next *Blood Drive* at St. Paul's will be on August 19, 9:00 a.m.— 6:00 p.m. You can donate anytime by calling the number below to get scheduled. **A form of ID is required.**

SIGN UP—TO DONATE by calling

1-800-771-0059 **or** sign in online at 717giveblood.org



Blood Drive Results

On June 17th we hosted a blood drive with the Penn Central Blood Bank. Thank you for allowing us to have a blood drive with the church. We saw 40 donors, and we collected 34 pints of blood. So with your help we will be able to save 102 local lives. Thank you for your participation in this important event.

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2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sunday August 16, we will have a joint worship at Quickel Lutheran followed by a picnic. Please bring a dish to share. Full details are in the announcement in this newsletter.						1
2 10:30 a.m. Worship & FB Guest Preacher, Mary-Ann Brock	3 AA 7:00 p.m. (FH)	4	5 AA 7:00 p.m. (FH)	6 6:30 p.m. O.A. (FH)	7 AA 7:00 p.m. (FH)	8 6:30 p.m. Worship Service (C)
9 10:30 a.m. Worship & FB	10 No Church Council AA 7:00 p.m. (FH)	11	12 AA 7:00 p.m. (FH)	13 6:30 p.m. O.A. (FH)	14 AA 7:00 p.m. (FH)	15
16 *Joint Worship 10:30 a.m. at Quickel / Picnic	17 AA 7:00 p.m. (FH)	18	19 Blood Drive 9-6 p.m. AA 7:00 p.m. (FH)	20 6:30 p.m. O.A. (FH)	21 AA 7:00 p.m. (FH)	22 6:30 p.m. Worship Service (C)
23 10:30 a.m. Worship & FB	24 AA 7:00 p.m. (FH)	25	26 AA 7:00 p.m. (FH)	27 6:30 p.m. O.A. (FH)	28 AA 7:00 p.m. (FH)	29
30 11:30 a.m. (P) Outreach meeting						

SEPTEMBER

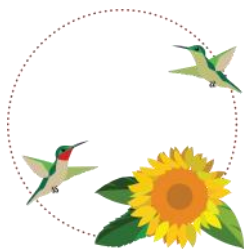
2026

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Birthdays
August

- 5 Jason Clauser
- 6 Elaine Nielsen
- 7 Mary Lutz
- 8 Kim Tuschak
- Ryan Geisler
- 9 Greg Wonders
- 11 Matthew Griffie
- 12 Jesse Hallett
- 13 Michael Clauser
- 20 Yvonne Sebestyen
- 23 Paul Eurich
- Steve Clauser
- 24 Ryan Heisey
- 27 Rachel Lehman
- 30 Sandra Banks



Anniversaries
August

- 8 Richard & Pamela Jones
- 9 Allen & Gay Weigand
- 13 Jay & Vivian Knaub
- 18 Steve & Doris Clauser
- 28 Howard & Marlene Walter
- 30 Robert Simpson & Frances Deppert



September
Birthdays

- 1 Linda Hagenbuch
- 2 Jill Snyder
- Karen Brough
- 3 Thomas Spotts
- 5 Barry Sheaffer
- 9 Lidia Lehman
- Lawrence Shook
- 10 David Gerstenlauer
- 13 Sally Buffington
- 14 Brianna Hershey
- Annetta Zea
- 15 Michael Geisler
- Austin Schreffler
- 16 Ted Shumaker
- 17 Anita Zook
- Taylor Wire
- 24 Dakota Santo
- 27 Tamie Hershey
- Forrest Dohner



Anniversaries
September

- 6 Peter Dohner & Beth Ann D'Agostino



If we have missed a birthday or anniversary we apologize. Please contact Annetta at the church office to update or add to our records. (717)432-3202 or parishadmin@stpaulsdillsburg.com

Puzzle!



Use the Scripture verses below to locate the places in the puzzle. (If a verse mentions more than one place, only one appears in the puzzle, so choose carefully.) Circle each place as you find it.

Answers go: → ↓ ↘

Genesis 2:15	Isaiah 23:1	Luke 24:13
Genesis 11:9	Isaiah 23:2	John 2:1
Genesis 35:1	Isaiah 23:3	Acts 8:5
Exodus 13:18	Jonah 1:2	Acts 11:22
Ruth 1:1	Matthew 3:6	Acts 17:16
1 Kings 18:19	Matthew 4:18	Romans 1:15
1 Chronicles 11:4	Matthew 26:36	

S I D O N G N I L E S O
J J O R D A N R I V E R
E S G A A R C A N A A M
R A E T B D C D B E O O
U M T H B E T H E L F U
S A H E T N E A T N G N
A R S N Y O M N H I A T
L I E S R F M T L N L C
E A M D E E A I E E I A
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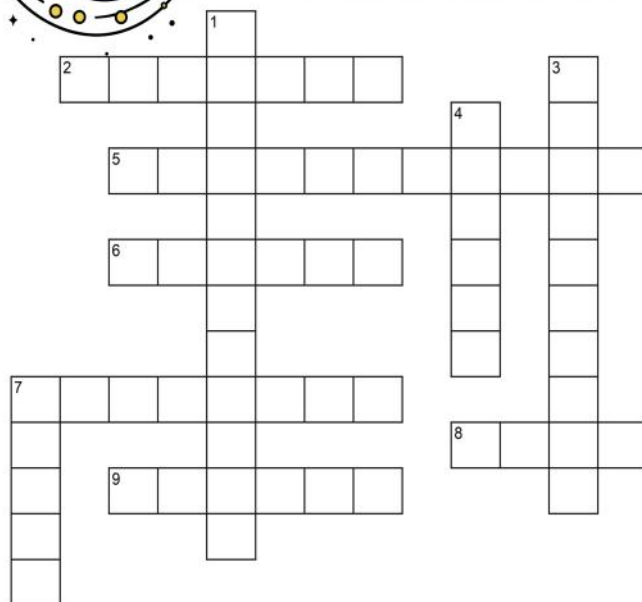
Answers: Garden of Eden, Tower of Babel, Bethel, Red Sea, Bethlehem, Mount Carmel, Jerusalem, Tyre, Sidon, Nile, Nineveh, Jordan River, Sea of Galilee, Gethsemane, Emmaus, Cana, Samaria, Antioch, Athens, Rome

Puzzle!



BEATITUDES

Fill in the blanks below to complete the crossword. Answers are based on Matthew 5:1-13, NIV.



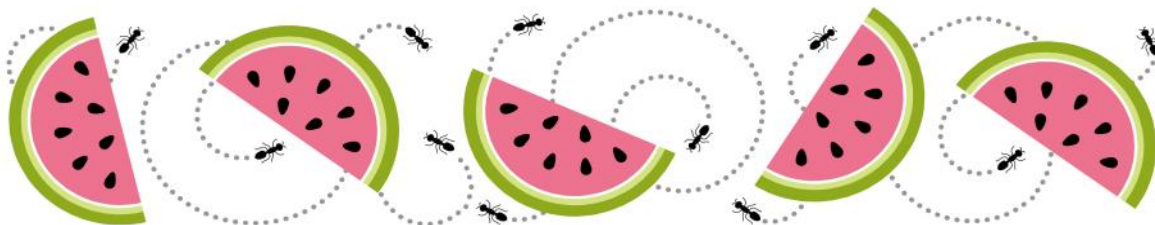
ACROSS

- _____ and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven.
- Blessed are the _____, for they will see God.
- Blessed are those who _____ and thirst after righteousness.
- Blessed are the _____, for they will receive mercy.
- Blessed are the _____, for they will inherit the earth.
- Blessed are those who hunger and _____, for they will be filled.

DOWN

- Blessed are the _____, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- Blessed are those who are _____ for righteousness' sake.
- Great is your _____ in heaven.
- Blessed are those who _____, for they will be comforted.

Answer key: 2 Across: Rejoice, 5 Across: pureinheart, 6 Across: hunger
7 Across: merciful, 8 Across: meek, 9 Across: thirst, 1 Down: poorinspirit
3 Down: persecuted, 4 Down: reward, 7 Down: mourn



**We would love to have YOU sing in the CHOIR
or play the HANDBELLS this Fall!**

Handbells - starting 9/2, at 6:30 p.m.,
directed by Viki Wonders \, (717-432-4934)

Adult Choir - starting 9/9 at 7:30 p.m.,
directed by Joyce Gerstenlauer (717-514-2935).



Please contact the director to inquire about joining one of these fine groups, so we can arrange to have enough music.

There are no auditions and if you need to miss occasionally, that is no problem.

“Next to the Word of God, music deserves the highest praise.”



A BIG THANK YOU to our soloists, who sang or played over the summer: Sharon Colvin, Fred Smith, Grace Busch, Jill Busch, Sam Smith, Claire Markel, Larry Shook, Kellen Mikesell, Seneca Mikesell



Altar Flower and Bulletin Sponsorship Opportunities

Each Sunday, our altar is adorned with fresh flowers given by members of our congregation. And each week, an easy-to-read bulletin is printed to help follow the liturgy of our service. There are no altar flowers during the season of Advent or Lent. Easter flowers and Christmas poinsettias are dedicated through a special signup that will be available as the season approaches.

You have the opportunity to sponsor either flowers and/or bulletins in memory of someone, in honor of someone, in celebration of a milestone, or in thanksgiving for God's blessings.

A yearly calendar for flower and bulletin sponsorship is located on the bulletin board by the side entrance to the church. First, find your preferred date on the calendar list. Write your name and the wording for the dedication on the lines beside the date.

For payment, take an envelope and fill out the information. Enclose your payment in the envelope (cash or check) and place it in the offering plate or church office. You may list more than one date on the envelope and enclose payment for all dates listed.



Remember Those Who Are Homebound

Sandy Banks, 1271 Gettysburg Pike, Apt.#314, Dillsburg, PA 17019

Eleanor Burkhardt, 141 Hickory Rd, Dillsburg, PA 17019

Paul & Kathy Eurich, 501 Oak Avenue, Apt.318, Waynesboro, VA 22980

Jay & Vivian Knaub, 956 S. Mountain Rd., Dillsburg, PA 17019



Dillsburg Farmers' Fair

The St. Paul's Farmers' Fair team has started organizing our events for Saturday, October 17th. We will have crafts and will be serving food again this year. Joyce has planned to share music at 12:30 - a wonderful addition to what we offered last year. The ads are placed in the Dill Pickle, the team has reviewed the food offerings from last year and has made some modifications, and members are starting to volunteer to help provide for another successful year. We will be posting a list for food donations needed some time in August with the expectation of items being at the church (non-perishable and items that can be frozen) the Sunday before October 17th (October 11, 2026). Please contact Kathy Muir (717) 515-7400 for further information, to donate items, or to volunteer. Blessings. Kathy.



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