



The Beacon

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

Council Highlights
Worship & Music Info



Your Pastoral Care needs may be communicated to the church office at (717) 432-3202 during office hours, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. In case of an emergency, please contact our Parish Administrator, Annetta Zea directly on her cell (717) 818-4724, or Pastor Roy Stetler, (717) 350-5057. Pastor Roy's office hours are Wednesday mornings by appointment.

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Special Summer Music for Worship

Summer worship singers, horn players, ensembles and more are needed to provide inspirational music, during our 10:30 am worship on Sundays. If you would like to share your talent or know of someone who could share their music with us, please let Joyce know right away. Friends are welcome to share their talent too!



Accompaniment on piano or organ is available for rehearsal and presentation, if needed. There are several open dates listed below.

June 22, June 29, July 13, July 20, August 3, August 17, August 31

Just pick one or two that work for you and give our Minister of Music, Joyce, a call or text at (717) 514-2935.



PIPE ORGAN ENCOUNTERS

Students aged 13 - 18, who are interested in learning to play organ, with an intermediate or advanced piano proficiency, are invited to apply. This will be a week of study with famous organists and participants plus learning organ-playing & improvisation techniques.



Our 2025 POE will be from June 22 - 27, 2025, at Lebanon Valley College.

The cost will be \$550 overnight & \$350 for commuters, scholarships are available. For more information, please contact Joyce Gerstenlauer, our Minister of Music at 717-514-2935. If you know someone that may be interested give Joyce a call.



On that first day beyond the grave, Jesus walked into a room filled with his closest followers. They are afraid. Jesus revealed himself by showing his wounds. He blessed them. Then, ready or not, he sent them to receive and share the Spirit. He reminded them they have the power to forgive sin. And always concerned about the least, he returned to make sure Thomas is not left out.

Notice, he blesses and sends them. I imagine they did not feel ready to be sent anywhere. He does not tell them to get their act together and then go do ministry. They have been equipped with the message of peace by the power of self-giving and forgiving love.

The lesson John teaches is that the Risen Lord does not seek those who are able to get things done, but folk who need help. This “priesthood of all believers” which Martin Luther embraced, celebrates the light of God shining through simple love, turning even mistakes into real opportunities for others’ encouragement and hope.



As Jesus’ followers, we give of ourselves and inspire love and peace by generous acts of kindness and mercy. As broken, wounded healers, we find joy in serving, multiplying the fruit and gifts of the Spirit through actions of love for the people God has brought into our lives. Peace in your ministry!

Pastor Roy

Those who are homebound

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

Bob & Eleanor Burkhardt, 141 Hickory Rd, Dillsburg, PA 17019

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



The Birth of Mother's Day

Anna M. Jarvis (1864-1948) loved her mother dearly. It was Miss Jarvis who first suggested a national day to honor all mothers. At a memorial service for her mother on May 10, 1908, Anna gave a carnation, her mother’s favorite flower, to each person in attendance. Within a few years, the idea to honor mothers gained popularity, and Mother’s Day was soon observed annually in many large cities of the United States.

On May 9, 1914, by an act of congress, President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed the second Sunday of May as Mother’s Day. He established the day as a time for “public expression of our love and reverence for the mothers of our country.” By then, it had become customary to wear white carnations in honor of departed mothers and red carnations to honor the living. The custom continues to this day.



Worship at St. Paul's Serving You Today

Altar Flowers and Bulletins: Notice: Altar Flowers \$55.00 and Bulletins \$10.00 will need to be paid at least 7 days prior to the listing in the bulletin, so that the flowers can be ordered on time. Thank you.

Assisting Ministers

May

June

04 Stephanie Miller
11 Lois Young
18 Sharon Colvin
25 Ted Shumaker

01 Stephanie Miller
08 Lois Young
15 Sharon Colvin
22 Ted Shumaker
29 Stephanie Miller

Lectors

May

June

04 Pam Shook
11 Kaen Peiffer
18 Mary Lutz
25 Sharon Colvin

01 Lisa Torio
08 Suzanne Sheaffer
15 Rebecca Buckham
22 Stephanie Miller
29 Kim Sebestyen

Live Streaming Technician

May

June

04 Suzanne Sheaffer
11 Lisa Torio
18 Suzanne Sheaffer
25 Sharon Colvin

1 Dave Gerstenlauer
8 Lisa Torio
15 Suzanne Sheaffer
22 Sharon Colvin
29 Dave Gerstenlauer

Ushers

Randy Stough (Head Usher)
Dwight Lehman (Assistant)

Crucifer

May

June

04 Stephanie Miller
11 Jeff Griffin
18 Sharon Colvin
25 Gerry Schwille

01 Stephanie Miller
08 Jeff Griffin
15 Sharon Colvin
22 None Needed
29 None Needed

Altar Guild

May

June

Pat Stough

Viki Wonders

Altar Flowers Sponsors

Bulletin Sponsors

May

4 Available
11 Lisa Torio
18 Annetta Zea
25 Judy Schrack

04 Available
11 Michael Molin
18 Annetta Zea
25 Judy Schrack

June

Available

Available

PRESBYTERIAN SENIOR LIVING

FLEA MARKET

LUNCH & BAKE SALE

SATURDAY, JUNE 7, 2025 8 AM TO 2 PM
CARROLL VILLAGE - MOYER HOUSE
PRESBYTERIAN SENIOR LIVING
11 TRISTAN DRIVE, DILLSBURG



This event is open to the public.
Lunch includes pulled pork and hamburger BBQ sandwiches, hot dogs, soup, desserts, beverages.
Take-out available.

All proceeds benefit the
Moyer House Residents' Fund.

Worship in-person or online

Don't forget, if you are unable to make it to Worship you can still see Worship online on our Facebook page. So stayed tuned in at church or online each week.



Please submit
articles for the
June 2025 Newsletter
no later than
May 15, 2025



2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4 10:30 a.m. Worship & FB Outreach 11:30 a.m. (P)	5 7:00 p.m. Zoom Bible Study AA 7:00 p.m. (FH)	6 1:00 p.m. Bible Study 2-4 p.m. Bible Adventure (FH)	7 AA 7:00 p.m. (FH) 7:00 p.m. Choir	8 9 – 10:30 a.m. Quilters (FH) 6:30 p.m. O.A. (FH)	9 AA 7:00 p.m.	10 6:30 p.m. Worship Service (C)
11 10:30 a.m. Worship & FB 	12 3:00 p.m. Church Council 7:00 p.m. Zoom Bible Study AA 7:00 p.m. (FH)	13 1:00 p.m. Bible Study 2-4 p.m. Bible Adventure (FH)	14 10:30 a.m. Dillsburg Min- isterium (P) No Choir AA 7:00 p.m. (FH)	15 9 – 10:30 a.m. Quilters (FH) 6:30 p.m. O.A. (FH)	16 AA 7:00 p.m. (FH)	17 
18 10:30 a.m. Worship & FB	19 7:00 p.m. Zoom Bible Study AA 7:00 p.m. (FH)	20 1:00 p.m. Bible Study 2-4 p.m. Bible Adventure (FH)	21 AA 7:00 p.m. (F0) 7:00 p.m. Choir	22 9 – 10:30 a.m. Quilters (FH) 6:30 p.m. O.A. (FH)	23 AA 7:00 p.m. (FH)	24 6:30 p.m. Worship Service (C)
25 10:30 a.m. Worship & FB Special Vet's Event Quickel 1:30 p.m.	26 Office Closed  AA 7:00 p.m. (FH) 7:00 p.m. Zoom Bible Study	27 1:00 p.m. Bible Study 2-4 p.m. Bible Adventure (FH)	28 AA 7:00 p.m. (FH) 7:00 p.m. Choir	29  9 – 10:30 a.m. Quilters (FH) 6:30 p.m. O.A. (FH)	30 AA 7:00 p.m. (FH)	31



2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 10:30 a.m. Worship & FB 11:30 a.m. Worship & Music Meeting	2 AA 7:00 p.m. (FH) 7:00 p.m. Zoom Bible Study	3 1:00 p.m. Bible Study	4 9 a.m.—6 p.m. Blood Drive AA 7:00 p.m.	5 6:30 p.m. O.A. (FH)	6 AA 7:00 p.m.	7
8 Pentecost 10:30 a.m. Worship & FB. 12:00 noon Congregational Dinner (FH)	9 7:00 p.m. Zoom Bible Study AA 7:00 p.m. (FH)	10 1:00 p.m. Bible Study	11 10:30 a.m. Dillsburg Ministerium (P) AA 7:00 p.m.	12 6:30 p.m. O.A. (FH)	13 AA 7:00 p.m. (FH)	14 6:30 p.m. Worship Service (C) 
15 Trinity Sunday 10:30 a.m. Worship & FB/ Lemonade & Cookies in the Prayer Garden 	16 3:00 p.m. Church Council 7:00 p.m. Zoom Bible Study AA 7:00 p.m. (FH)	17 1:00 p.m. Bible Study	18 AA 7:00 p.m.	19 Office Closed  6:30 p.m. O.A. (FH)	20 Office Closed AA 7:00 p.m. (FH) 	21
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29 Peter & Paul, Apostles 10:30 a.m. Worship & FB.	30 7:00 p.m. Zoom Bible Study AA 7:00 p.m. (FH)					

School Bags for Lutheran World Relief

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

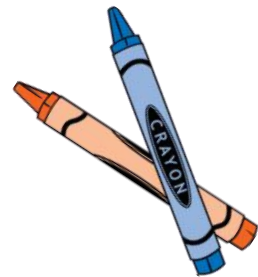
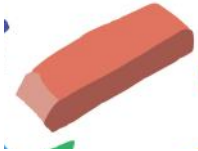
This list is ever changing – but we primarily need supplies for 100 backpacks:

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

Spiral notebooks / 70 page	need	390
Crayons 24 pks	need	90
Rulers with cent./ins.	completed	
Pens (Black /Blue Ball point)	need	380
Pencil Sharpeners	need	88
Scissors (Blunt Edge)	need	84
Erasers (2 1/2 in.)	completed	
Pencils	need	380



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



RADIANT HOPE SERVICE PROJECT

A HUGE THANK YOU from the Outreach Committee for your very generous support to Radiant Hope! \$1275.00 in Donations were collected!! We were able to cover the cost of items for 24 care package boxes. A check for \$740.00 will be given to Radiant Hope to cover the cost of postage for those boxes and to provide gift cards for meals to help to ease some of the burden on families while their loved one is undergoing cancer treatments.

Many families will be blessed by your generous donations!!!



BLOOD DRIVE

The next *Blood Drive* at St. Paul's will be on June 4, 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

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



Blood Drive Results

On April 2 we hosted a blood drive with the Penn Central Blood Bank. We did well. We saw 42 donors, and we were able to collect 37 units of blood. So with your help we will be able to save 111 local lives.

Opportunity for Sponsorship

We are working hard to announce to our community that we are a healthy and serving congregation. We have been placing an Ad in the *Dillsburg Banner* 2 times a month. Would you consider sponsoring an Ad for a week? The cost is \$200/week. You can fill out the form below and give your gift to the church office. You can sponsor a week or contribute to a weeks sponsorship with others. Make your checks payable to St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Thank you for considering this important outreach opportunity.

Newspaper Ad Sponsorship

Name _____

Phone Number _____

Cost \$200.00 weekly

Donation Given _____

Giving Envelope # _____



USO "CHRISTMAS IN JULY"

The Outreach Committee is again partnering with the USO to support this campaign of supplying Christmas Cards to go into Christmas care packages provided by the USO for the military. **LAST YEAR WE SENT 460 CARDS TO THE USO! LET'S BEAT LAST YEARS TOTAL!!!!**



There are 2 ways for you to volunteer!!

1. Provide Christmas Cards that you sign with "Thank you for your service! St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Dillsburg, PA." Seal the cards in their envelope and bring them to the church for mass collection. {Most helpful!}

Provide Christmas Cards that are **UNSIGNED**. The committee will take care of signing the cards.

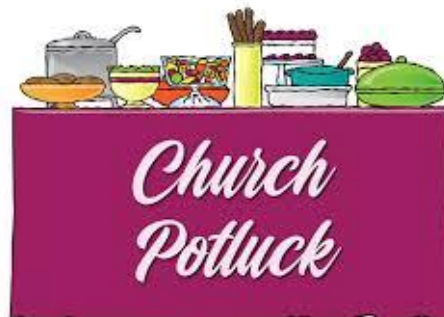
We will provide 2 boxes in the Overflow Area for the card return- one for signed cards and one for unsigned cards. You can supply as many cards as you want!! **CARDS ARE DUE SUNDAY JUNE 22nd**.

****Also:** we would like to have a record of our congregational members who have served or are currently serving. If you have not yet done so, please email your name and branch of service to Suzanne Sheaffer at smsheaf44@comcast.net.

Thank YOU for YOUR support in our efforts!

CONGREGATIONAL DINNER


The OUTREACH COMMITTEE is sponsoring a **POTLUCK** Congregational Dinner on Pentecost Sunday, June 8th at **NOON (following the service)** in Fellowship Hall. The Committee will be providing the chicken and drinks. We hope to have a variety of "Potluck" foods. Bring your favorite casserole, side dish, or dessert. Please RSVP by Sunday, June 1st by using the sign up sheet posted on the bulletin board. Include the number attending and what you are bringing.



Please join us in fellowship on this Pentecost Sunday.

We MISS YOU when you are not here!!

Hymns for Christmas in July Worship Service

On July 13, at our 10:30 a.m. Worship Service, we will celebrate Christmas in July. This is your chance to choose your favorite Christmas Hymn, but  not *Jingle Bells*! Please complete this form and return to the office. You may also speak to Joyce or call her at (717) 514-2935.

Favorite Christmas Hymns

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____



Memorial Day



Is it enough to think today
Of all our brave, then put away
The thought until a year has sped?
Is this full honor for our dead?

Is it enough to sing a song
And deck a grave; and all year long
Forget the brave who died that we
Might keep our great land proud and free?

Full service needs a greater toll,
That we who live give heart and soul
To keep the land they died to save,
And be ourselves, in turn, the brave!

—Annette Wynne

Mother and Child



“I love you,”
said a great mother.
“I love you for what you are,
knowing so well what you are.
And I love you more yet, child,
deeper yet than ever, child,
for what you are going to be,
knowing so well you are going far,
knowing your great works are ahead,
ahead and beyond,
yonder and far over yet.”

—Carl Sandburg

MAY



Birthdays

May

- 1 Viki Wonders
- 6 Trevor Wire
- 7 Sharyn Lukens
- 9 Michael Torio
Allison Muir
- 12 Deborah Beam
Mackenzie Miller
- 14 Anne Marie Dormer
- 15 Richard Swivel II
- 16 Meghan Buffington
- 18 Grace Busch
- 20 Jonathan Wonders
- 23 Lois Young
- 30 Carol Landis
Joyce Gerstenlauer



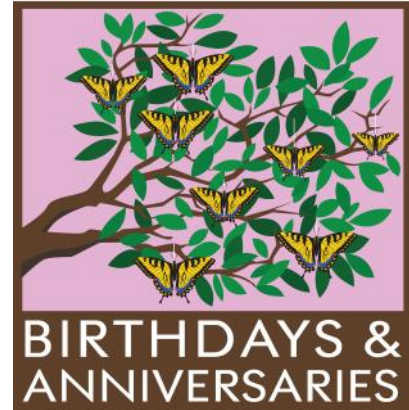
Anniversaries

May

- 09 Tim & Sally Buffington
- 11 Mark & Thelma Lehman
- 16 Michael & Pamela Geisler
- 20 Eugene & Paula Shoop
- 23 Doug & Yvonne Sebestyen



JUNE



Birthdays

June

- 5 Gregory Wire
- 7 Logan Dohner
- 8 Susan Radcliffe
- 10 Tom Anderson
Andrew Buffington
- 12 Ryan Miller
- 16 Melania Shoop
- 20 Dwight Lehman
- 23 Michael Molin
- 26 Jennifer Heisey
- 27 Jessica Lehman
- 29 Beth Wire



Anniversaries

June

- 3 Robert & Eleanor Burkhardt
- 4 David & Joyce Gerstenlauer
Joseph & Cheryl Levendusky
- 8 Joshua & Ashley Gerstenlauer
- 12 Paul & Kathy Eurich
- 24 Frank & Kim Tuschak
Randy & Stephanie Miller



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



Memorial Day

*Remember Those Who
Gave Their Lives*

*St. Paul's
Church
office will be
closed on
May 26th
in observation of
Memorial Day.
Have a safe
holiday weekend!*

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