The MONTHLY Messenger - AUGUST 2017

We Remember In Our Prayers:

Clara Castorina; Dawn Cipolla; Sherman Focht; Emily Foreman; Carol Green; Rosemarie Hitchcock; Jennifer Hull; Elaine Hockenberger; Stacia Jewell; Brenda Koder; Kathy Murphy; Holly Pettit; Sue Sosnin; Erin Über; Rev. William Vanderslice; Herb Wolf; Lara Wood.

We pray for the family and friends of:

- Verna Thomas, who went to her eternal rest on June 26, 2017 and was laid to rest at St. Pauls on June 30th.
- Robert Koons, who went to his eternal rest on June 27, 2017 and was laid to rest at St. Paul's on July 5th.
- Theresia Kline, who went to her eternal rest on July 8, 2017 and was laid to rest at St. Paul's on July 13th.
- George Sosnin, who went to his eternal rest on July 18, 2017 and will be laid to rest on Wednesday July 26th. The funeral is at Mann, Slonaker Funeral home at 11AM with calling hours beginning at 10AM

Worship Times

- 8:00AM Traditional Worship Service with Holy Communion
- 9:30AM Family Centered Worship Service with Holy Communion.
- 9:30 AM each month on the 2nd Sunday we have One Unity Worship Service with Holy Communion.
 Fellowship follows that service so please bring a finger food or dessert to share.



Religious Education Offerings

Sunday School/Adult Education: Meets from 8:30 to 9:15 AM weekly from September through May. There is no class on Fellowship Sunday, which happens every 2nd Sunday.



The School Age & Kindergarten children of UPCCC, Camp Perkiomen are excited to perform this summer's musical, Disney's "The Lion King, Kids".

All are welcome to enjoy this grand performance put on by this amazing group of kids in the church sanctuary on Thursday, August 17th at 7PM.

Come and see this memorable show!



Events & Announcements

PLEASE VISIT OUR CALENDAR ON-LINE TO SEE THE MOST UPDATED LIST OF EVENTS BY MONTH & DAY - VISIT THE PAGE BY CLICKING HERE

First Communion Class:

We are in the process of setting up the first communion class for our young members who wish to prepare to commune for the first time. Please email karen.quinn@stpaulredhill.org to let us know you are interested in participating with your child. We will need your name, your child's name and a

good cell phone/phone number where we can reach you once we choose the date(s).

Men's Breakfast: Will be meeting again on **August 5th at 8AM** at Valley Cafe, in Pennsburg. We hope all the fellows will mark your calendar and join us.

Lunch Bunch: Join us **Wednesday, August 9th at 11:30** in Fellowship Hall for our Annual Picnic and Bingo. Let us know what you'd like to bring, and if you are coming. (See sign-up sheet outside in the hallway on the bulletin board next to the doors to the hall). Please bring an item worth a \$1 or \$2 for Bingo Prizes. Also, remember to bring your Redner tapes (must use save-a-tape card). For more info call Joanne at 215-679-3614 or Bonnie at 267-923-5567.

Confirmation Class Information Meeting: Those who would like to receive Confirmation during the 2017-2018 school year are asked to attend our information meeting on **August 13th at 10:30AM** following worship at St. Paul's. If you have any questions, this is the place to have them answered. Thanks!

Reformation 500 - August 27 Community Service: There will be NO SUNDAY WORSHIP at St. Paul's on the 27th because we are all gathering as one huge community of faith at at **10:30AM at New Goshenhoppen Park** for an outdoor worship service and hymn sing. This will take the place of worship here at St. Paul's so be sure to mark your calendar and join us for this wonderful day!

The Child Care Center Picnic: has been scheduled for **September 8th** at St. Paul's. Details will follow in the bulletins and the next newsletter.

Community Day September 9th: in Pennsburg. St. Paul's will have a table at community day this year - and we hope some of our members will want to help out, introducing us to members of our Upper Perkiomen community as a great place to worship. Let the office know.

Mark your Calendar: for Pastor Moritz's Installation: which has been scheduled for September 17th. Time and details to follow in the bulletins and the next newsletter. It is sure to be a lovely event, so you should put the date on your

calendar.

A NOTE FROM THE COMMUNITY - The First Monday Meal which is hosted at various churches in our area is on track and continuing. The schedule is:

St. John's, Sumneytown will be hosting the meal at Pennsburg UCC on Monday, August 7th at 6:00. The menu is: Hot Roast Beef Sandwiches, Macaroni Salad, Salad, Ice Tea & Water, Ice Cream Sundeas

Future meals are:

August 21st - Host church is New Goshenhoppen

September 11th - Second Monday (Labor day) - Host church is St. Mark's

October 2nd - Host organization is UP YMCA

November 6th - Host church is Friedens UCC

December 4th - Host church is Perkiomen Mennonite



Pastor's Message

The big 500 is almost here. As Christians in the Lutheran branch of the Church, we're always celebrating the Reformation. But when October 31st rolls around this year, 500 years to the day when Martin Luther nailed his 95 Theses to the church door in Wittenberg, we'll be celebrating big time.

Luther's actions sparked a reform movement in the Church that continues to sweep its way through communities of faith still today. At the heart of his effort was a desire to let people know they are freely loved by God. We don't have to earn God's Love, Luther pointed out, Christ brings it to us. Now it's ours to receive and live by in faith with the help and guidance of the Spirit. This is the Gospel, the Good News of Scripture. And nothing is more important to the Church than this gift. Here's how Luther put it in Thesis #62 - "The true treasure of the Church is the most holy Gospel of the Glory and Grace of God."

We're getting a head start on the celebrating in just a few weeks. On Sunday, August 27 at 10:30am we will join several other churches in marking the ongoing Reformation with a Festival Service of Worship at New Goshenhoppen Park in East Greenville. This will be a great opportunity to visit with our brothers and sisters from the area and to unite in giving God thanks for the gift of the Gospel. Lunch will follow the service. Please bring a covered dish food item to share. You may also wish to bring lawn chairs for your comfort.

Luther, with his posting of the Theses, intended to engage people in conversation about the faith and how it impacts our lives. In the short run it didn't quite work out that way. Months of controversy followed his actions, culminating in Luther's appearance before Emperor Charles V in April of 1521 at the Diet of Worms. After that years of conflict embroiled the Church, during which time Luther sought to guide and nurture the reform movement. He translated the

Bible into German so people could read Scripture for themselves. He wrote the Small and Large Catechisms. And the Lutheran Church grew.

Luther led an exciting life - something we'll take a closer look at this autumn during worship and learning opportunities for adults and youth alike. During his lifetime Luther was, among other things: a pre-Law student, a monk, a biblical scholar, the most famous (or infamous) person in Europe, an outlaw, a husband and father, and a musician and writer. My guess is, whether in 1517, 1521, 1522, or 1530, Time Magazine would have named him Person of the Year. So look forward to having some fun getting to know Luther better this September and October and to exploring the continuing impact of the Reformation.

I think Luther would be happy that we are talking faith, exploring his teachings, and uniting in worship to praise God and celebrate the Good News of the Gospel. That's why he hammered those 95 Theses to the door all those years ago, so that we could be closer to God and to each other. And so continues the Reformation lived out in us through our faith and actions. That's something wonderful to celebrate. Let's do so on the 27th! See you there.

In Christ, Pastor Wayne





The Lutheran Chicks - an outreach ministry of Health Advocates - holds a luncheon on the 3rd Monday of odd numbered months at 12:30PM in the Library of St. Pauls. These photos were from July's gathering. Pastor was there for the fun - and his July 17th birthday was celebrated with those present. In spite of the name, gentleman are also welcome!

If you would like more information on Lutheran Chick's Luncheon - please let the church office know, and they can put you in touch with Janet Hill or another Health Advocate Member to answer any questions.

On Sunday, July 9th 2017, Bob, Laura and



Emily Foreman traveled to the Victory House to prepare and serve dinner to the residents. Bob and Emily masterfully prepared fresh fruit salad while Laura cooked sloppy joes and pierogies for the residents. The weather outside was beautiful and the gratitude inside was too. There were full bellies for everyone on a warm summer's night. Thank you to those that have shared time, money, food and prayer. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

The St. Paul's soup kitchen committee will be traveling to the Victory house again on Sunday, August 13th, 2017. If you are interested in

traveling to the Victory House to help serve, would like to prepare some food prior to the trip or have any questions about the Victory House at all, please contact Bob or Laura Foreman at 267-923-8895 or via email at foreman3@hotmail.com.

Whoever gives to the poor will not want, but he who hides his eyes will get many a curse. - Proverbs 28:27

What's Happening at UPCCC?

We are enjoying a fun and eventful summer here at UPCCC! The children have been busy playing, learning, and growing during our summer camp program!

Downstairs, our Nursery through Pre-K children have been exploring the world of reading through their summer theme Read Across the Summer. Each week has been filled with activities that revolve around stories by famous children's book authors such as, Eric Carle, Anna Dewdney, and Janet Stevens. The children have also been having a splash during water play where they are



exploring the properties of water and having fun getting soaked! Our Preschool, Pre-K, and Kindergarten classes have been enjoying their field trips to parks, plays, museums, and more!

The School Age children have been having a blast swimming at the Quakertown Community Pool, playing many active games outside and completing various projects in Fellowship Hall! So far they have crafted duct tape wallets, cooked a delicious hoagie dip, and created slime! The children have also been working very hard preparing for their presentation of this summer's musical, The Lion King Kids, on August 17th at 7:00 in the Sanctuary. All are welcome to join us for the children's performance!

Feel free to stop by the center any time to see what's happening!

Youth Group News

The Junior and Senior Youth groups met on Friday, June 9th for the annual homework burning and ice cream sundae bar



gathering. Spud, Kan Jam and Frisbee were enjoyed along with the burning of some of this years homework as a celebration of the summer to come. Only minor stomachaches occurred from the self made sundaes.

The next gathering of the Junior and Senior youth will take place on Friday, July 8th at 7pm at the pavilion. Bring a friend and come ready for outdoor water games and fun!

Planning for a family/inter-generational outdoor fun and movie night in August has begun and more information will be available soon. Talk of a youth and congregation wide kick ball tournament has also started to buzz about.

Please contact Bob or Laura Foreman at 215-272-1445 or foreman3@hotmail.com with questions or for more information about the youth groups.

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. - James 1:17

Electronic Giving NOW at St. Pauls!

Would you find it helpful to have your offerings debited directly from your bank account or charged to your credit card? St. Paul's offers electronic giving for those who wish to have contributions transferred electronically to the church's account. If you have plans to travel this summer, electronic giving gives you a convenient way to keep up with your intended offerings. Simply go to St. Paul's webpage to sign up, or call the church office for more information. Click Here to Sign Up!



Worship Assistants

July 30th Worship Team: Bread: Vicki Naugler Altar Set Up: Sandy Landis

8:00AM: Ushers: Alan Richard & Donald Dulin Worship Assistant: Henry Thomas
9:30AM Ushers: Chad Grim & Leroy Stevens Worship Assistant: Tim Launders

Counters: Team #4: Sandy Bergey, Alan & Diane Richard

August 6th Worship Team:

9:30AM

Bread: Alice Oliver Altar Set Up: Alan & Diane Richard

8:00AM: Ushers: Ron Rodenberger & George Bonekemper

Worship Assistant: Karen Creghan Ushers: Carol Elias & Aric Kressly Worship Assistant: Abby Foreman

Counters: Team #5: Leroy Stevens, Robert Stevens John Hinkle

August 13th Worship Team:

Bread: Leigh Hansen Altar Set Up: Niccole Oswald

9:30AM Ushers: Ron & Diane Leister

Worship Assistant: Donna Gerhart

Counters: Team #6: Sandy Bergey, Donald & Mildred Dulin

August 20th Worship Team:

Bread: Avah Virus Altar **Set Up:** Barb Miller **8:00AM: Ushers:** Alan Richard & Donald Dulin

Worship Assistant: Joanne Hersh

9:30AM Ushers: Debbie Gryshuk & Katie Robbins

Worship Assistant: Nick Ferrero

Counters: Team #1: Sandy Bergey, Diane Leister, Eleanor King

August 27th Worship Team:

Bread: Leigh Hansen Altar Set Up: Agnes Walp

8:00AM: Ushers: Ron Rodenberger & George Bonekemper

Worship Assistant: Diane Brust

9:30AM Ushers: Alan Richard & Donald Dulin

Worship Assistant: Diane Brust

Counters: Team #2: Donna & Jim Montich, Rosemarie Hitchcock

July & August Paraments: Pat Walter

July Linens: Gina Traynor

Social Groups & Ministries to Join

Appalachia Service Project is a home repair service ministry which travels to North Carolina and provides assistance to those in need during the Summer. Students in grades 7 and up are encouraged to participate and adult helpers are needed and welcome (with clearances). Can you help? Contact Gary Hager by email (click link) or by phone 215-470-3537.



Cub Scouts/Boy Scouts: Mondays at 6:30PM

Daisies-Brownies: Every other Friday at 6:30PM in downstairs classrooms Sept. to June.

Fellowship Sunday: (Unity Sunday): Every 2nd Sunday of the month we have a single service at 9:30AM with a time of fellowship following the service. Please bring a finger food or dessert to share and Join us in the Fellowship Hall.

Jr/Sr Youth Groups: Grades 1-12 meet on the 2nd Friday of the month at 7PM in fellowship hall. Please contact Bob or Laura Foreman at foreman3@hotmail.com or 267-923-8895 with any questions about youth group.

Lunch Bunch: Join us Wednesday, August 9th at 11:30 in Fellowship Hall for our Annual Picnic and Bingo. Let us know what you'd like to bring, and if you are coming. (See sign-up sheet outside in the hallway on the bulletin board next to the doors to the hall). Please bring an item worth a \$1 or \$2 for Bingo Prizes. Also, remember to bring your Redner tapes (must use save-a-tape card). For more info call Joanne at 215-679-3614 or Bonnie at 267-923-5567.

Lutheran Chicks: A health advocates gathering held the Third Monday of odd numbered months at 12:30 PM in the library.

Theology on Tap: is off for the summer - resumes in September. Meetings usually happen the first Thursday of the month at the Main Street Hotel in Bally at 7PM. All over 21 are welcome to join this non-judgmental discussion of faith while sharing fellowship.

Men's Breakfast: Meets the first Saturday of each month at the Valley Café at 8AM. We invite our gentlemen to come on over and share fellowship, food and faith discussions.

Women's Breakfast: Meets on the 3rd Saturday of the month at 8:30AM. We will meet at Pennsburg Diner. We invite our ladies to join us for fellowship and faith discussions.

Support Groups

Alcoholics Annonymous: Wednesdays 8PM Narcotics Annonynous: Sundays 8PM

Committees

Cemetery Committee: Third Monday 7:00PM in the library

Christian Ed Committee: Second Sunday at 11AM every month

except July.



Church Council: (by election) Will meet the 2nd Thursday of the month at 7:30PM. (Please note the change in date)

Finance Committee: (by election) Will meet the 2nd Thursday of the month at 6:30PM (Please note the change in date)

Health Advocates: A committee of health oriented members, including nurses, doctors, and other health care folks who provide information and services in our community. Contact the church office with questions.

Property Committee: Meets on the 1st Monday of the month at 7:00PM.

Soup Kitchen Committee (all are welcome): We travel to the Victory House on the 2nd Sunday of each month. If you are interested in traveling to the Victory House to help serve, would like to prepare some food prior to the trip or have any questions, please contact Bob or Laura Foreman at 267-923-8895 or via email at foreman3@hotmail.com

AUGUST	BIRTHDAYS:				
1	Beth Landis	1	Timothy Launders	1	Abigail Rodenberger
2	Barbara Boyer				
3	William Jones	3	Sheila Lapinski		
5	Corinne Thomas				
6	Ashley Eisenhart	6	Charles Roth		
7	Janice McKeehan	7	Karen Roeder		
8	Donald Kolb	8	Janet Zylinski		
9	Agnes Zepp				
10	Dorothy Hershey				
12	Alyssa Wenzel				
13	Frank Bird	13	Patricia Kerr		
14	Muriel Ballew				
15	Laura Brust	15	Matthew Mandia	15	Jordan Moyer
15	Philip Palencare	15	Floyd Treffinger		
16	lan Godshall				
17	Jared Fryer	17	Michele Haines	17	Kelly Lesko
17	Carolyn Shup				
18	Evan Davis				
20	Grayson Baver				
22	Brock Weiss				
23	Richard Long	23	Arlene Schultz	23	Betty Treffinger
25	Christa LASalle	25	Terry Stoudt		
27	Nicole Walter				
29	Kim Wampole				
31	Arlene Koons				

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