

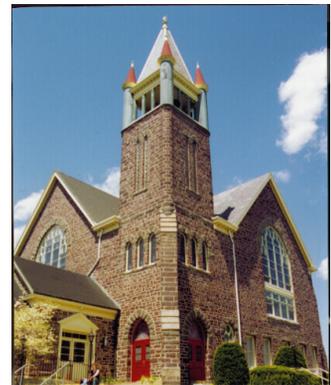
The MONTHLY Messenger - September 2017

We Remember In Our Prayers:

Betty Bernd; 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 Uber; Rev. William Vanderslice; Bob Williams; Herb Wolf; Lara Wood, Sandy Young.

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.

Pastor Wayne Moritz's Installation

will be held on September 17, 2017 at 4PM. Pastor Rebecca Schanely will preside and our preacher will be Dr. Charles Leonard. More details will follow. Please mark your calendar to join us!

There will be a reception following the service. Please RSVP to let us know how many are attending and how many children, so we can plan. At some point we may seek food and dessert donations, but not at this time.

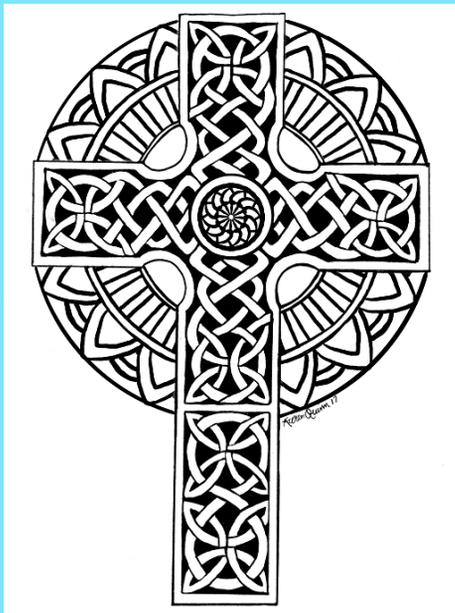
Please Click [THIS LINK](#) to sign up on line, or sign up in the church office hallway on the bulletin board.

We are very excited to share this special day with Pastor.



Pastor Wayne Moritz

BIBLE BLAST OFF! On September 10 from 8:30 to 9:15AM we will kick off our 2017-18 Sunday School Year! Plan to join the fun as we "blast off" into a wonderful new year!



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](#)

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!

St. Paul's is Growing by leaps and bounds! We welcome several new members over August, September and October. Welcome Lorraine, Guy and Amber Carey. Joyful thanks be to God who helps our family to grow.

Men's Breakfast: Will be meeting again on **September 2nd at 8AM** at Valley Cafe, in Pennsburg. We hope all our men will mark their calendar and join us.

Our offices are closed for Labor Day, September 4, 2017. Please make a note.

Lunch Bunch: takes a break in September. Keep an eye on the Bulletin for our next date and time.

Theology on Tap resumes in September on the 7th at the Main Street Pub in Bally at **7PM**. All those who are 21 and over are welcome to join us for fellowship, faith discussions and refreshing adult (or other) beverages.

The Child Care Center and Church Welcome Back Picnic: has been scheduled for **September 8th** at St. Paul's. hot dogs, activities, face painting, moon bounce and more are provided - please sign up to bring along a side dish, drink or dessert or other item at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080948a9a929aaff2-church> Rather not do it on line? You can also sign up on the paper in the church office hallway.

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 Pastor Moritz know if you want to volunteer to help.

Confirmation Classes are getting underway following our interest meeting August 13th. The classes will be held as follows:
September 10 at 4PM - October 8th at 4PM - November 12th at 4PM - December 10th at 4PM - January 21st at 4PM - February 11th at 4PM - March 11th at 4PM -

April 8th at 4PM - May 6th at 4PM

Confirmation will be held on May 20th during the 9:30AM Service.

Pastor Moritz installation service and reception are being held on **September 17th at 4PM** - please see the article above this block for all the details! It would be wonderful if we could all come and show support and welcome to our new shepherd by attending. Please RSVP by clicking [HERE](#)

Lutheran Chicks meet on September 18th at 12:30PM in the Library. This group is an outreach ministry of Health Advocates - 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.

Christian Education Committee meets again **October 1, at 10:30AM**.



Pastor's Message

Family vacations. Family fun days. Family reunions. Family picnics. Family outings. Family game nights. We like doing things together as families. It doesn't matter if they're big or small families, close by or miles away families. What counts is the joy of being together and of sharing adventures with each other.

So why not have family learning opportunities? That is, occasions when children and parents, brothers and sisters, grandparents and grandchildren can all explore life's mysteries together. Imagine benefitting from each other's insights and discoveries. Imagine sharing one another's joys and celebrations. Imagine supporting one another and encouraging each other to keep on growing, whether we're 5 years old, 35 years old, or 70 years old.

But why just imagine it when we can do it?

Starting on Sunday, September 10 a new season of learning about our faith begins at 8:30am with the return of Sunday School here at St. Paul's. I've been using a new word to describe our first gathering on the 10th - intergenerational. Putting it another way, it means we'll be having a family learning experience. We'll stay together for the 45 minutes - all of us, children, youth, and adults - instead of going to our separate classes. And together we'll have some fun, grow in faith, and celebrate the ties that connect us as a church family. Like a family picnic, there will

be something for everybody to do. And like a family picnic, there will be snacks to enjoy, friends to greet, and a few surprises along the way.

So come to our "Bible Blast-Off." That's our theme for the day. No matter what point we're at in our life's journey, God's Word remains the launching pad for our faith. No matter what class we'll be in this year, the Bible provides the foundation for our learning. So let's blast off together - children & parents, sisters & brothers, grandparents & everyone. At the Blast-Off you can count on:

- * Having fun learning what the Bible is all about through interactive games,
- * Snacking on foods right out of the Bible,
- * Delving into the lives of interesting biblical characters,
- * Building friendships and making new ones, and (weather permitting)
- * Witnessing what rockets do.

Sunday School will now be held on every Sunday (8:30 - 9:15am), with the second Sunday of each month being dedicated to family learning experiences. Sunday School will also only be part of the learning and growing that goes on at St. Paul's as we create a web of learning with multiple opportunities to explore the faith on other days and nights of the week, building on those that already exist and fashioning more along the way.

But first things first - come to the Blast-Off and ignite your faith for a new year of learning about God's incredible Love for us all. The countdown is on....

In Christ,
Pastor Wayne

Soup Kitchen News

On Sunday, August 13th 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 chicken fajitas, fresh salsa and guacamole. The weather outside was beautiful and the gratitude inside was too.

Chatting about MusikFest and car racing filled the room. After watching a few videos of fast cars around the track, the team said good-bye and left the residents to relax with full bellies. 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, September 10th, 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?

The Upper Perkiomen Child Care Center is looking forward to an exciting new 2017-2018 school year. The children in the Upper Perkiomen School District, as well as UPCCC start their first day of school on Monday,

August 28th. We are looking forward to meeting all of our new children and families. We have many upcoming events scheduled, such as Meet the Teacher Night on Thursday, August 31st; which children are invited to bring their parents into the classroom to meet their teacher and show them all of the wonderful new things they will be learning this year. We are also excited to be a part of the Welcome Back Picnic on Friday, September 8th from 5:00-7:30pm. A new event, UPCCC is partnering up with St. Paul's Lutheran Church congregation to meet, greet and share in food and fun with all of our church and child care families.

With the growing community and younger families moving into the Upper Perkiomen Valley, we have noticed an increase in enrollment. Our numbers have been increasing at a steady pace. Due to changes in our community and in the center, the possibility of getting closer to our goal of a full center may be close. However, be aware that there are growing pains that come with growth. UPCCC has been working at a comfortable capacity of children for several years. It will be an adjustment for teachers and families to have numbers in the center be higher than they have ever been. We are excited to take on this challenge and see our community grow.



Youth Group News

The St. Paul's Junior Youth group met on Friday, August 11th for a family gathering with pizza, outdoor games, and a movie under the stars. Despite some technical difficulties and a little bit of rain, the group enjoyed a lovely evening.

The next gathering of the Junior and Senior youth

groups will be on Friday, September 8th at the UPCCC Picnic from 5:30 to 7:30. Come join the fun with games, bounce house, food and friends.

We are currently praying for and in search of someone to lead the Senior Youth group (ages 7th grade and up). The youth are the future of St. Paul's and this is a great way to get to know them all and support their spiritual growth in a casual and relaxed environment. Please contact Bob or Laura Foreman for more details about leading the youth, joining the youth group or any youth group questions in general at 215-272-1445 or foreman3@hotmail.com.

But Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven." - Matthew 19:14



Disney's The Lion King, Kids

What a wonderful and well done production of Disney's, "The Lion King, Kids" our UPCCC summer students gave on August 17th here at St. Paul's! Everything from the costumes, and sets, to the singing and acting were simply INCREDIBLE! We give sincere thanks and applause to our school age kids, our child care staff and leadership and all who participated. Thank you also to Pastor Moritz for his help and support. It was fantastic!





Electronic Giving NOW at St. Pauls!

Electronic Giving - St. Paul's offers electronic giving as a way to automate your regular weekly offering. Electronic giving offers convenience for individual congregation members and provides much-needed donation consistency for our congregation.

Direct Debit Giving is used to transfer funds automatically from your checking or savings account to the church's bank account. Credit and Debit Card Giving (Discover, MasterCard and Visa) allows you to make offerings automatically on a pre-determined schedule using a credit or debit card.

Online Giving allows you to go to www.stpaulredhill.org at any time to set up an automatic donation plan, change your donation plan, make a one-time donation, or view your online donation history.

As you contemplate future contributions, please consider electronic giving. If you have additional questions or need assistance, please contact Vanco Services at 800-675-7430. As always, the church staff is available and happy to assist as well.

[Click Here to Sign Up!](#)



Worship Assistants

August 27th Worship Team: No services at St Paul's - Join us at 10:30 AM at New Goshenhoppen Park for the Reformation 500 Community Service!

September Worship Assistant Schedule

September 3

Bread: Eleanor King

Altar Guild: Nicole Walter

8:00AM Ushers: Ron Rodenberger & George Bonekemper

Worship Assistant: Henry Thomas

9:30AM Ushers: Nina & Tommy Fehnel

Worship Assistant: Tim Lauanders

Counters: Team 3 Tom Sands and Charles Shagg

September 10

Bread: Diane Landis

Altar Guild: Sandy Landis

9:30AM Ushers: Chad Grim & Leroy Stevens
Worship Assistant: Abby Foreman
Counters: **Team 4** Sandy Bergey; Alan & Diane Richard

September 17

Bread: Diane Leister
Altar Guild: Alan & Diane Richard
8:00AM Ushers: Alan Richard & Donald Dulin
Worship Assistant: Karen Creggan
9:30AM Ushers: Carol Elias & Aric Kressly
Worship Assistant: Nick Ferrero
Counters: **Team 5** Leroy Stevens, Robert Stevens, John Hinkle

September 24

Bread: Vicki Naugler
Altar Guild: Agnes Walp
8:00AM Ushers: Ron Rodenberger & George Bonekemper
Worship Assistant: Joanne Hersh
9:30AM Ushers: Craig & Lori Frank
Worship Assistant: Donna Gerhart
Counters: **Team 6** Sandy Bergey, Donald & Mildred Dulin

September & October Paraments: Donna Sattler
September & October Linens: Barbara Nace
September Altar Cleaning: Agnes Walp

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 and have special events throughout the year.

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: Meets the second Wednesday of each month in Fellowship Hall (Except for September - when we take a break) to share lunch and entertainment. Bring a lunch and coffee cup - desserts are provided by those having a birthday in that month. 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 12:30PM in the library.

Robotics: Tuesdays at 6:30PM and Saturdays from 9-1 from September through May

Theology on Tap: Meets 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 Anonymous: Wednesdays 8PM

Narcotics Anonymous: Sundays 8PM

Committees

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

Christian Ed Committee: Will meet next on October 1st at 10:30AM

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



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1st Barbara Lloyd & Brenda Nicholson
- 2nd Justin Lesko & Sara Oswald
- 4th Gloria Hinkle
- 5th Darragh Martin & Brandon Reed
- 6th Ryan Himmelwright
- 7th Debra Collins & Riley Wadsworth
- 8th Regina Finkboon
- 10th Janet Hill, Raymond Nestor & Brian Uber
- 12th Angela Sole
- 14th Barbara Miller
- 15th Dave Penfold
- 16th Brooke Baver, Larry Dulin, Sarah Fisher & Heather Walter
- 17th Gary Kolb



18th Abigail Foreman, Laura Foreman, Faye Gilliland, Rebecca Gitney,
Kathleen Renninger & Tina Thomas
19th Judith Heinrichs & Tanya Sell
21st Richard Muth
22nd Miranda Heywood, Paul Marion & Jenna Parke
23rd Nathan Kuhn & Kelly Rea
25th Alyse Thompson
26th John Cairns & Joshua Sands
27th John Eisenhart, Deborah Walter & Dean Wampole
28th Diana McMurtrie
29th Kevin Hanes
30th Chad Grim, Patricia Klinger, Suzanne Miller & Linda Wood

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