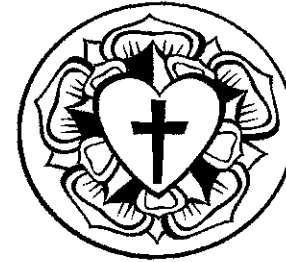




Thank you to everyone who supported the Schuylkill Haven Council of Churches Crop Walk last Sunday. St. Paul's had 5 participants and raised \$436 to relieve hunger in our community and the world. Although there are still some online donations to be totaled, the preliminary total from all the churches reporting is \$5,307.50.

You may now make an offering to the church through our website [www.SummerHillLutheran.org](http://www.SummerHillLutheran.org). Simply click on the online giving button on our home page and you will be directed to a secure site to make a one time or on-going offering. You may direct your offering from your checking or savings account or a credit or debit card. Use this QR code to go directly to the contribution page.



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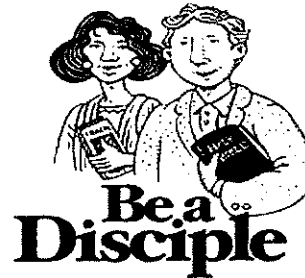
### Office Hours

**Monday - Friday 9 am - 3 pm**

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### Evangelism News

by Charles Hawk, Sr.



This past week in the adult Sunday School Class, we were discussing our prayers, blessings and thanks. Quite a session we had. Some people we believe pray once a day, some more, some less. Many say their prayers before they go to bed. I'm certain some

wait until morning to start the day off. It is probably true that some prayers are only said when there is some type of trouble or an emergency: maybe prayer for a major health concern, a final exam in school the next day. Or some pray when you sit down to eat and give mealtime blessings. God wants us to keep praying. There are literally thousands of prayers appropriate to be made during our lives. Jesus told us how to pray when he taught the Lord's Prayer. If you haven't "LOOKED" at the Lord's Prayer recently but just recited it, take a look at what God asks us to pray. God is first. Help us do on earth as you do in heaven. Do you remember the part where He Says MY WILL BE DONE? How about the next part when he says we are sinners and need help! Let us forget the sins of others as we forget those who did us some wrong. We ask God to help us be good because this is what we as His children are supposed to do. Last but not least. YOU ARE THE KINGDOM AND YOU ARE THE POWER AND THE GLORY FOREVER AND EVER AMEN.



God!

Our annual Thanksgiving Eve Service will be held on Wednesday, November 21<sup>st</sup>, here at St. Paul's Lutheran. Worship at 7 pm. Our new Director of Music will supply this night. Come raise your voice in thankful song and praise of



**Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Beginning of Prayer of the Day for All Saints Sunday

Dear Folks,



Jerusalem Lutheran Church is hosting a community Thanksgiving Service, Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at 4 pm that everyone is invited to attend. Joint choir and bell choir music will be part of the service.

It is not unusual for me to take some time to walk through the Summer Hill Cemetery. It's a quiet, peaceful walk and you can almost always count on seeing some wildlife. But what particularly holds my thoughts as I walk are the lives of those who are buried there. From the simplest early stones written in German that shows the wear of time to a more elaborate modern stones etched with a scene, the rows upon rows of stones stand as witness to those who have gone before us. People whose lives touched our lives. People we have loved and even those who we did not know.

The fact that I recognize more names than I did in the past speaks to the length of my tenure at St. Paul's. As I read the names on the stones, I recall faces and the unique personalities that they were. I remember where their favorite pew was in the church and can almost see them sitting there. I remember how they would greet me and whether they sat with family or alone. For some, I think about the conversations we had when they were homebound. The fears, joys, or regrets shared, even the prayers requested. As I read the names and remember their lives, I give a prayer of thanks to God for their life and the witness they made to their faith and the church. Each of us is influenced by those who have gone before us, no matter how long or short a life. Both our families and our



David and Amber Reber, Lauren Croneberger and Derrek Boyer.

On October 21, 2018, we welcomed into the Fellowship of the Christian Church by the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, Olivia Mae Reber, daughter of Naomi Clarissa (Gilbert) Reber and Zachary Gregory Reber. Baptismal sponsors are

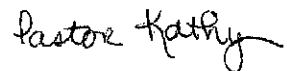
church are molded and shaped by our dearly departed loved ones.

During this time of year, as the darkness of the season grows, we celebrate All Saints Sunday on the first Sunday of November. It is a day that we remember those who have died within the last year with special prayers and remember many of our loved ones no matter what time has past during the distribution of Holy Communion.

All Saints Sunday stands as a reminder of our mortality, of our limited time on earth. But it reminds us that Jesus promises an end to our tears and sadness. In the midst of that promise, we give thanks for our loved ones' witness to the faith in Jesus Christ. For it is that faith in which we proclaim in the midst of death, Jesus conquered death and burst forth with new life, an eternal life. Death may be a part of life, but because Jesus died on the cross, it does not have the final word. Jesus Christ saw to that.

While those who have died no longer live an earthly life, they have been granted a seat at that heavenly feast where there is no longer grief nor pain or sorrow. We may visit the graves of our dearly departed loved ones to honor their life, but Christ forever has knit us together in that one communion, the body of Christ. As we remember and give thanks to those who have died, let us celebrate God's gracious gift of life eternal.

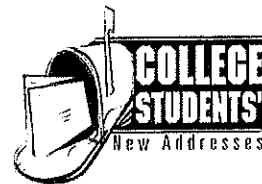
Serving to the glory of God,



The Rev. Kathleen Ash-Flashner  
Pastor



The annual Thanksgiving Dinner for seniors, sponsored by the Social Ministry Committee will be held in the pavilion on Saturday, November 17<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 noon. All seniors from our church and the surrounding area are invited to attend the dinner and enjoy some fun and fellowship. If you plan to attend, please contact the church office or give your name to Harry Schwenk by Friday, November 9<sup>th</sup>.



The Social Ministry Committee is once again seeking the names and addresses of church members who are college students. Twice a school year, at midterms and finals, we send care packages to the students. Each year we begin with a new list, so parents and grandparents please provide us with this important information. So that they may receive these packages, please give the information to the church office or to Harry Schwenk, committee chairperson.

The schoolhouse will be in the narthex from Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup> until Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup> to receive the items to be sent to the students in time for their midterms. Items to be donated include snacks, gum, pens, razors, small packs of tissues, or any other appropriate items.

## Happy November Birthday To:



11/2 - Connie Klinger; Eleanor Wernert  
11/04 - Joy Eldredge; Christopher Ross;  
Georgia Sandler; Chauncey Trostle  
11/5 - Diannah Swiger  
11/6 - Elyse Gilbert  
11/7 - Terri Cleary; Doris Gregory  
11/8 - William Cleary, Jr.;

Phyllis Fessler; Taylor Frankenstein

11/9 - Kelsey Sisko

11/10 - Grace Paxson; Hanna Peto; Erin Sholl; Marlene Troxell

11/11 - Edward Wentz

11/12 - Kyle Honicker

11/15 - Wendy Reber

11/16 - Shirley Baker; Crystal Reber

11/17 - Amanda Sholly

11/18 - Nicholas Lord; Damien Pate; Kelly Schweigert;

Derek Staller

11/19 - Gwen Arnett

11/20 - Michael Sandler; Ross Weller, Jr.

11/21 - Douglas Boyer; Bradley Hill; Alexis Hossler

11/22 - Jack Davis; Tanner Gormley; Kathleen Kahl;

MaKayla Pate; Beth Reed; Nancy Sweitzer

11/24 - Charlene Egan

11/25 - Robert Gregory

11/27 - Shirley Fessler

11/28 - David Peto

11/30 - Gregory Schwartz, Jr.

## Keep in your prayers:



Keep in your prayers: Richard Paxson, Dennis Ryan, Jane Frantz, Greg Phillips, Ron Boris, Jr., Gary & Shirley Krammes, Irene Peiffer, Arlene Lickman, Betty Freeman, Leonard & Yvonne Szpara, Thelma Brensinger, Chester Johnson, Shirley Fessler, Barbara Pennypacker, Angie Lewis, Mark Fidler, Hayley Moyer, Helen Runkle, Eleanor Jamison, Jeremiah Engleheart, Adam Brink, Glenn Curtis, Linda Van Dertom, Georgia Sandler, Arlene Moyer, John Weegar, Alexandria Marshall, Charles Wernert, Stephen Curtis, Brayden Crews, John Strauch, Jr., Dianna Curry, Fern Staller, Carol Glaser, Pat Stevens, Pastor Mark, Lawrence Latsko, Rosemary Meade, Tyler Boland, Ray Yeich, Doris Epting, and Robert & Joyce Zeledonis. Those serving in the military: Brandon Felty, Karen Hall, Tom Leganza, Tyler Weller, Edward Hossler, Nick Lentz, Jake Schaeffer, Scott Aungst, Tyler Wolfe, Michael Hamilton, Kristian Svenson, Mark Weinus, Jr., Justin Weller, Jeremy Weaver, Cameron Lutz, Stephanie Boyer, and Brad Renninger

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**Pastoral visits and home communions are available anytime.  
Please call the office or Pastor Kathy.**

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The deadline for items for the December newsletter is **November 15th.**

## Congregational Meeting



The annual Congregational meeting will be held on Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup> following the second service. The Nominating Committee is accepting names for open positions on the 2019 Church Council and the Student Loan Committee. Please submit nominees to Karen Curtis, Trish Krause, Elizabeth Thomas, or submit to the church office.

**Copies of the church budget for 2019 will be available in the narthex on Sunday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, or may be picked-up in the church office the week before the Congregational Meeting.**



Looking for a place to have a family and friends gathering for a birthday party, anniversary party or special occasion? The Pavilion may be rented by a member for \$50.00 and a non-member for \$75.00 for up to 8 hours for your event. Please contact Cindy Brown for details.

## Christmas Caroling

The Social Ministry Committee is sponsoring the annual Christmas Caroling event to our shut-in and elderly members on Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>. We will leave the church parking lot at 1:30 pm. The rain/snow date is the following Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. Everyone is invited to join us.



Christmas  
Carols

# Church Calendar November 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 5pm Holy Communion service
<b>4</b> <b>All Saints Sunday</b> 8am Holy Communion 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Holy Communion	<b>5</b> 10am Prayer Shawl 7pm Stewardship Committee	<b>6</b> 12:30pm Jolly Quilters 6:30pm Bell Rehearsal	<b>7</b> 7pm Church Council	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> 5pm Holy Communion service
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<b>25</b> 8am Holy Communion 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Holy Communion	<b>26</b> 10am Prayer Shawl 7pm Finance	<b>27</b> 6:30pm Bell Rehearsal 6:30pm Signs of Faith 7pm Council of Churches at St. Johns, Friedensburg	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1</b> 5pm Holy Communion service

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4 <b>All Saints Sunday</b>	5 Psalm 51 Deuteronomy 6:10-25 Romans 12:17-21; 13:8-10	6 Psalm 51 Deuteronomy 28:58—29:1 Acts 7:17-29	7 Psalm 51 Micah 6:1-8 John 13:31-35	8 Psalm 146 Numbers 36:1-13 Romans 5:6-11	9 Psalm 146 Deuteronomy 15:1-11 Hebrews 9:15-24	10 Psalm 146 Deuteronomy 24:17-22 Mark 11:12-14, 20-24
11 <b>Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost</b>	12 Psalm 94 Ruth 1:1-22 1 Timothy 5:1-8	13 Psalm 94 Ruth 3:14—4:6 1 Timothy 5:9-16	14 Psalm 94 Ruth 4:7-22 Luke 4:16-30	15 Psalm 16 Daniel 4:4-18 1 Timothy 6:11-21	16 Psalm 16 Daniel 4:19-27 Colossians 2:6-15	17 Psalm 16 Daniel 4:28-37 Mark 12:1-12
18 <b>Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost</b>	19 Psalm 13 Daniel 8:1-14 Hebrews 10:26-31	20 Psalm 13 Daniel 8:15-27 Hebrews 10:32-39	21 Psalm 13 Zechariah 12:1—13:1 Mark 13:9-23	22 Psalm 93 Ezekiel 28:1-10 Acts 7:54—8:1a	23 Psalm 93 Ezekiel 28:20-26 1 Corinthians 15:20-28	24 Psalm 93 Daniel 7:1-8, 15-18 John 3:31-36
25 <b>Christ the King</b>	26 Psalm 76 Daniel 7:19-27 Revelation 11:1-14	27 Psalm 76 Ezekiel 29:1-12 Revelation 11:15-19	28 Psalm 76 Ezekiel 30:20-26 John 16:25-33	29 Psalm 25:1-10 Nehemiah 9:6-15 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11	30 Psalm 25:1-10 Nehemiah 9:16-25 1 Thessalonians 5:12-22	