



Social Ministry

The Social Ministry Committee would like to thank everyone who donated items to the schoolhouse. Your generosity in providing these items for our college students is appreciated.



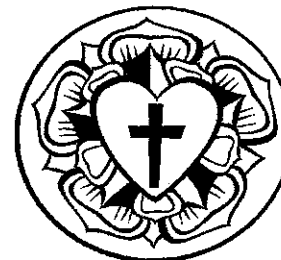
Dear Congregation,

Thank you for your generous and continued support of our Soup Kitchen.

Know that I'm extremely grateful as are our patrons.

Theresa Alexander,  
Director, St. Patrick R. C. Church

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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Sunday Holy Communion Service – 8 & 10:30 am

Summer Months 9 am

Saturday Holy Communion Service - 5 pm

Sunday School – 9:15 am

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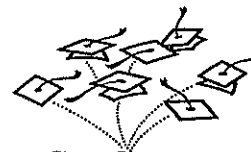
Closed from 12:00 pm to 12:30 pm for lunch



During the church service on Easter Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, Signs of Faith signed the anthem, "Ballad of the Empty Tomb," while it was being sung by the choir. We will be presenting an anthem at the church service on Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>.

On Tuesday evening, May 8<sup>th</sup>, we will be providing the entertainment for the Social Ministry's Annual Birthday Party at Luther Ridge for its residents. On Thursday evening, May 17<sup>th</sup>, we will be presenting a Basic Sign Language class at the Orwigsburg Library. For information on this event, please see Pegi Staller or Harry Schwenk.

### Calling all graduates!!!



### Graduation

future plans.

Please contact the church office with names of all graduates by May 6<sup>th</sup>. We will be honoring them in our services on May 20<sup>th</sup>. Please include with your name where you are graduating from and your

**St. Paul's Lutheran Church Youth Group  
Clothing Drive FUNDRAISER**

Please drop off any Sunday between now and May 13<sup>th</sup> or  
during church office hours

The youth group thanks you for your continued support!

*We will be reimbursed for every pound we collect! All items donated must be in good, usable condition. The clothing & other items collected are **NOT SHREDDED!***

**PLEASE DONATE TO SUPPORT US!**

**Acceptable Items:**

**Clothes & Shoes:** Men's, Women's, Children's, Infants

**Accessories:** Belts, Purses, Backpacks, Hats

**Toys:** Soft or Hard Toys, below 14 inches

**Linens:** Bedsheets, Blankets, Curtains

**CD's/DVD's:** In appropriate cases, no copies or loose discs.

**Not Acceptable Items:**

-Books, Board Games, Puzzles, Large Toys (above 14 inches in size)

-Art Supplies (Crayons, Markers, Coloring Books, Crafting Items, Fabric Scraps)

-Furniture, Rugs, Exercise Equipment,

-Appliances or Electronics of Any Kind (Nothing with a Cord)

-Winter Boots, Winter Coats, Single shoes, Roller Skates, Ice Skates

-Dirty, Damp, Damaged, Tattered items, Rags, Items with Holes or Tears,

-Pack and Plays, Car Seats, Strollers, Baby Seats, Loungers

-Miscellaneous Housewares, Decorative Items, Bric-Brac,

-Dishes, Glassware, Baking/Cookware, Pots/Pans, Kitchenware of any Kind



[www.njclothingdrive.com](http://www.njclothingdrive.com)

**“I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing.” John 15:5**

Dear Folks,

This Bible verse comes from the Gospel Lesson from the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter. In using the image of the vine and the branches, Jesus emphasizes to his disciples the need to be connected to him and in turn, connected to God. They cannot bear the fruit of ministry if they are not grounded in unity with Jesus, the vine.

As Christians we proclaim this unity every time we gather and celebrate our risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Our connection to Jesus is strengthened when we gather to worship, to learn, to volunteer and serve others, to be in fellowship with each other. As the church we are the body of Christ, called to proclaim Christ in the world, but we cannot do that without remaining connected to Jesus the vine. That connection loves us, feeds us, and then enables us to be the church in the world.

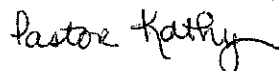
In the months of May and June, we will gather for some very special events that I want to draw to your attention. On Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup> we will celebrate our Music Ministry Groups – the Adult Choir, the Bell Choir, and the Signs of Faith. All will be present at the 10:30 am service as we give thanks to God for these faithful people and the way in which their work enhances our worship experience. On the weekend of May 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> we will honor and bless our Mothers, one of the first people to love and teach us about Jesus. On the weekend of May 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>, we will recognize our graduates and pray for their continued success as they take those next steps. (Please

get your graduate's information into the office.) On this Sunday we will receive new members as part of the body of St. Paul's, celebrating how our community of faith expands. On May 27<sup>th</sup> during the Sunday School hour we will gather with the members of St. Paul's United Church of Christ to hold a brief Memorial service, remembering the sacrifice and service of our veterans.

June brings our week of Vacation Bible School from Sunday, June 10<sup>th</sup> through Thursday, June 14<sup>th</sup>. This gathering of both young and older disciples of Jesus Christ is filled with high energy for learning. Across the generations of our families, we strengthen this connection with Jesus in our gathering and learning. By the end of June our youth will be headed to Houston for the ELCA Youth Gathering. Well over 35,000 enthusiastic youth and adults will come together to celebrate faith, learn about Jesus in their lives, and be sent out in the Houston area for service. Thank you for your committed connection to our youth in supporting this event for them! We could not do it without you!!

The church is a unique body in today's world. We gather not with our own agendas, but with God's. We gather to worship, learn, and serve in Jesus' name. Don't miss this gift of gathering, of being connected to the vine of Jesus Christ. God through Jesus Christ has chosen us and enables us to bear good fruit. Join us in our gathering as the body of Christ!

Serving to the glory of God,



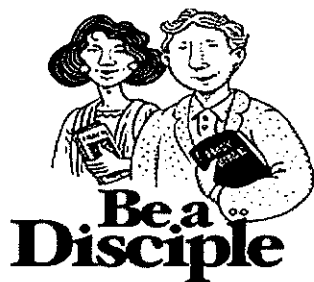
The Rev. Kathleen Ash-Flashner  
Pastor



### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

St Paul's Lutheran Church invites all children to experience the ride of a lifetime with God at *Rolling River Rampage* Vacation Bible School! This white water rafting adventure includes exciting new music, creative crafts, fun recreation and memorable Bible stories that will help children know God is always with them as they ride the rapids of life. The adventure runs from June 10 through June 14. VBS begins at 6:30 PM in the church annex and concludes in the fellowship hall at 8:30 PM. Children from ages 2 and up to including those completing 6<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to join our *Rolling River Rampage* VBS.

Join us for this exciting Vacation Bible School by completing the registration form located on the table in the back of the church or the church website. In order to make sure that we have enough materials for all students, we ask that you register by May 27, 2018. Any adults or youth who would like to help with this year's VBS are asked to contact Reba Llewellyn.



## Evangelism News

By Charles Hawk, Sr.

Do you think God is disappointed when he sees how many people are not in our pews? Let's see if we can come up with why. It's certainly not

the economy. New car sales are up. New home sales are up. New schools are being built every time you turn around. Our technology is advancing at a rate so fast we cannot put a figure on it. We actually have more time because of this than we ever had in previous years. Look back in our lifetimes and see how much more we had to do. Funny the church attendance was good then! We need to change to get people to worship, again that is what everyone is saying. We need to find new ways to get people to worship God. We need to change with the times. I SAY WE NEED TO GET OUR PRIORTIES STRAIGHT!!!! We need to understand what the first command says. By the way this is not a request from God, this is a command. God does not, will not, has not or will ever CHANGE! He is the same as he always is. Loving us as his children regardless of what we do. How about if we get back to acknowledging this. Take a look at what we have today and ask if we have given God the thanks he deserves. SEE YOU IN CHURCH!



**Memorial Day**  
*Remember Those Who Gave Their Lives*

A combined service with St. Paul's UCC Church to honor all veterans for Memorial Day will be held May 27<sup>th</sup> during the Sunday School hour at the memorial.

## Keep in your prayers:



Keep in your prayers: Richard Paxson, Dennis Ryan, Jane Frantz, Greg Phillips, Ron Boris, Jr., Dianne Kimmel, Christopher Pate, Gary & Shirley Krammes, Irene Peiffer, Arlene Lickman, Betty Freeman, Leonard & Yvonne Szpara, Dolores Weller, 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 Dertorn, Georgia Sandler, Arlene Moyer, John Weegar, Alexandria Marshall, Charles Wernert, Stephen Curtis, Jim Salaki, Brayden Crews, John Strauch, Jr., Kathy Kurtz, Dianna Curry, Fern Staller, Carol Glaser, Pat Stevens, Pastor Mark, Diane Neidlinger, Lawrence Latsko, Rosemary Meade, 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, 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 July/August newsletter is **June 15th**.

## Happy May Birthday To:

5/1 – Hunter Koury  
5/2 - Harvey Sutton, III  
5/3 - Elona Fromm; Harry Schwenk  
5/4 - Marvin Moyer  
5/6 - Kenneth Heinbaugh; Elaine M. Moyer;  
Patricia Stevens; Terry Tryon; Brenda Frankenstein  
5/7 - Lisa Hollenbach; Christine Sinclair  
5/8 - Matthew Ball; Charles Hawk, Sr.;  
Betty Heinbaugh  
5/9 - Arlene Moyer; Kristin Strausser  
5/10 - Donald Hand  
5/11 - Amanda Deal; Tracey Seltzer  
5/15 - Gregory Phillips II; Pegi Staller  
5/16 - Stella Lavenburg; David Reidler;  
Kohlby Rollman  
5/17 - Donald Paxson, Jr.; Carl Wildermuth; Doris Willhoyte  
5/18 - Erin Ball; Patricia Davis; Scott Thomas  
5/20 – Edward Hossler, III  
5/22 - Lora Bubeck; Jane Gordon; Eileen Heffleger  
5/23 - John Weegar  
5/25 – Errol Seltzer, Jr.  
5/26 - Jason Honicker; Bernadette Trostle  
5/27 - Dolores Detweiler; Charles Hawk, Jr;  
Kolton Platt; Thaddeus Schantzenbach; Heidi Securda  
5/28 - Harry Lord; Lillian Wisner  
5/29 - Carly Mullins  
5/30 - Betty Freeman  
5/31 - Dominic Ross; Charity Staller



## Happy June Birthday To:

6/2 - Victoria Lord; Quinn Oblas  
6/3 - Molly Ulsh  
6/4 - Bonnie Beck; Larry Johnson; Rebecca Mairose,  
6/7 - Richard Thomas; Brittney Tokarick  
6/8 - Elaine Martin  
6/10 - Stacey Lehman  
6/12 - Kathy Robinson  
6/13 - Leah Geiger  
6/14 - Troy Hollenbach; Giselle Moss  
6/15 - Patrick Cleary  
6/16 - Brian Ferrence  
6/17 - Logan Rollman  
6/20 - David Brooker  
6/21 - Thelma Brensinger; Cynthia Reber  
6/23 - April Carroll; Mary Lord  
6/25 - Michelle Bachman; Matthew Burcik,  
Patricia Reazor; Sheila Tryon  
6/26 - Beth Cleary  
6/28 - Kurt Sinclair  
6/29 – Robert Zeledonis  
6/30 - Annie Ferrence; Abigail Minrod;  
Matthew Middleton



Saturday at 5 pm.

The summer schedule of worship will begin on Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>. On that date, the congregation will gather for service with Holy Communion at **9 a.m.** There will be **no** Sunday School during the summer months. Saturday Services are held every

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<b>29</b> 8am Holy Communion 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Holy Communion	<b>30</b> 10am Prayer Shawl	<b>1</b> 12:30 pm Jolly Quilters 6:30pm Bell Choir Rehearsal 6:30pm Signs of Faith	<b>2</b> 7pm Church Council Meeting	<b>3</b> 7pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 5pm Holy Communion service
<b>6</b> Music Sunday 8am Holy Communion 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Holy Communion	<b>7</b> 10am Prayer Shawl	<b>8</b> 6:45pm Signs of Faith and Social Ministry at Luther Ridge Birthday Party	<b>9</b> 1pm Evangelism Meeting	<b>10</b> 7pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 5pm Holy Communion service
<b>13</b> 8am Holy Communion 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Holy Communion	<b>14</b> 10am Prayer Shawl 7pm Stewardship	<b>15</b> 12:30 pm Jolly Quilters 6:30pm Signs of Faith	<b>16</b> 7pm Property	<b>17</b> 7pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>18</b> 6 pm Wedding Rehearsal	<b>19</b> 2 pm Zimmerman Wedding 5pm Holy Communion service
<b>20</b> 8am Holy Communion 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Holy Communion	<b>21</b> 10am Prayer Shawl	<b>22</b> 6:30pm Signs of Faith	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> 6pm Christian Ed 7pm Choir Rehearsal 7 pm Schuylkill Mission District Council Meeting	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> 5pm Holy Communion service
<b>27</b> 8am Holy Communion 9:15am Sunday School 9:30am Shared Memorial Day at Memorial 10:30am Holy Communion	<b>28</b> <b>Memorial Day Office Closed</b>	<b>29</b> 6:30pm Signs of Faith	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> 7pm Choir Rehearsal	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 5pm Holy Communion service

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		<b>1</b> Psalm 80 Isaiah 32:9-20 James 3:17-18	<b>2</b> Psalm 80 Isaiah 65:17-25 John 14:18-31	<b>3</b> Psalm 98 Isaiah 49:5-6 Acts 10:1-34	<b>4</b> Psalm 98 Isaiah 42:5-9 Acts 10:34-43	<b>5</b> Psalm 98 Deuteronomy 32:44-47 Mark 10:42-45
<b>6</b> <b>Sixth Sunday of Easter</b>	<b>7</b> Psalm 93 Deuteronomy 7:1-11 1 Timothy 6:11-12	<b>8</b> Psalm 93 Deuteronomy 11:1-17 1 Timothy 6:13-16	<b>9</b> Psalm 93 Deuteronomy 11:18-21 Mark 16:19-20	<b>10</b> Acts 1:1-11 Psalm 47 <i>or</i> Psalm 93 Ephesians 1:15-23 Luke 24:44-53	<b>11</b> Psalm 47 Exodus 24:15-18 Revelation 1:9-18	<b>12</b> Psalm 47 Deuteronomy 34:1-7 John 16:4-11
<b>13</b> <b>Seventh Sunday of Easter</b>	<b>14</b> Psalm 115 Exodus 28:29-38 Philippians 1:3-11	<b>15</b> Psalm 115 Numbers 8:5-22 Titus 1:1-9	<b>16</b> Psalm 115 Ezra 9:5-15 John 16:16-24	<b>17</b> Psalm 33:12-22 Genesis 2:4b-7 1 Corinthians 15:42b-49	<b>18</b> Psalm 33:12-22 Job 37:1-13 1 Corinthians 15:50-57	<b>19</b> Psalm 33:12-22 Exodus 15:6-11 John 7:37-39
<b>20</b> <b>Pentecost</b>	<b>21</b> Psalm 104:24-34, 35b Joel 2:18-29 1 Corinthians 12:4-11	<b>22</b> Psalm 104:24-34, 35b Genesis 11:1-9 1 Corinthians 12:12-27	<b>23</b> Psalm 104:24-34, 35b Ezekiel 37:1-14 John 20:19-23	<b>24</b> Psalm 29 Isaiah 1:1-4, 16-20 Romans 8:1-8	<b>25</b> Psalm 29 Isaiah 2:1-5 Romans 8:9-11	<b>26</b> Psalm 29 Isaiah 5:15-24 John 15:18-20, 26-27
<b>27</b> <b>The Holy Trinity</b>	<b>28</b> Psalm 20 Numbers 9:15-23 Revelation 4:1-8	<b>29</b> Psalm 20 Exodus 25:1-22 1 Corinthians 2:1-10	<b>30</b> Psalm 103:1-13, 22 Ezekiel 16:44-52 2 Peter 1:1-11	<b>31</b> Psalm 81:1-10 Exodus 31:12-18 Acts 25:1-12		



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<b>3</b> 9am Holy Communion	<b>4</b> 10am Prayer Shawl	<b>5</b> 12:30 pm Jolly Quilters 6:30pm Signs of Faith	<b>6</b> 7pm Church Council Meeting	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> <b>NEPS Assembly</b>	<b>9</b> <b>NEPS Assembly</b> 5pm Holy Communion service
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<b>3</b> <b>Second Sunday after Pentecost</b>	<b>4</b> Psalm 78:1-4, 52-72 Exodus 16:13-26 Romans 9:19-29	<b>5</b> Psalm 78:1-4, 52-72 Exodus 16:27-36 Acts 15:1-5, 22-35	<b>6</b> Psalm 78:1-4, 52-72 1 Samuel 21:1-6 John 5:1-18	<b>7</b> Psalm 130 Isaiah 28:9-13 1 Peter 4:7-19	<b>8</b> Psalm 130 Deuteronomy 1:34-40 2 Corinthians 5:1-5	<b>9</b> Psalm 130 Genesis 2:4b-14 Luke 8:4-15
<b>10</b> <b>Third Sunday after Pentecost</b>	<b>11</b> Psalm 74 1 Samuel 16:14-23 Revelation 20:1-6	<b>12</b> Psalm 74 1 Kings 18:17-40 Revelation 20:7-15	<b>13</b> Psalm 74 Isaiah 26:16—27:1 Luke 11:14-28	<b>14</b> Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15 Genesis 3:14-24 Hebrews 2:5-9	<b>15</b> Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15 1 Kings 10:26—11:8 Hebrews 11:4-7	<b>16</b> Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15 2 Kings 14:1-14 Mark 4:1-20
<b>17</b> <b>Fourth Sunday after Pentecost</b>	<b>18</b> Psalm 52 Ezekiel 31:1-12 Galatians 6:11-18	<b>19</b> Psalm 52 Jeremiah 21:11-14 Revelation 21:22—22:5	<b>20</b> Psalm 52 Jeremiah 22:1-9 Luke 6:43-45	<b>21</b> Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32 Job 29:1-20 Acts 20:1-16	<b>22</b> Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32 Job 29:21—30:15 Acts 21:1-16	<b>23</b> Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32 Job 37:1-13 Luke 21:25-28
<b>24</b> <b>John the Baptist</b>	<b>25</b> Psalm 65 Exodus 7:14-24 Acts 27:13-38	<b>26</b> Psalm 65 Exodus 9:13-35 Acts 27:39-44	<b>27</b> Psalm 65 Joshua 10:1-14 Mark 6:45-52	<b>28</b> Psalm 30 Lamentations 1:16-22 2 Corinthians 7:2-16	<b>29</b> Psalm 30 Lamentations 2:1-12 2 Corinthians 8:1-7	<b>30</b> Psalm 30 Lamentations 2:18-22 Luke 4:31-37