

St. Paul's Lutheran Church of Smithfield
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SAINT PAUL'S CALL – MAY 2019

Regular Sunday Schedule

Worship – 8:15 a.m.
Sunday School – 9:00 a.m.
Confirmation – 9:00 a.m.
Adult Class – 9:00 a.m.
Worship – 10:15 a.m.

Each Month

First Sunday - Holy Communion (2nd service)
Second Sunday - Teaching and Prayer Service (Communion 1st service)
Third Sunday - Holy Communion (2nd service)
Fourth Sunday - Contemporary Service (Communion 1st service)
Fifth Sunday - Healing Service

St. Paul's Mission Statement

We are a community of faith called to share the good news of Jesus as our model of life. We seek spiritual maturity through worship, learning and serving. We invite and welcome all who desire to share this journey of faith active in love.



Saint Paul's Call May 2019

Dear Congregation,

Song of Solomon 2: 11-12

"For, lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone; The flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds is come, and the voice of the turtle is heard in our land;"

Happy Easter! Happy Spring! I would like to thank everyone who helped to make our Easter Sunday fantastic. The sermon and the music was wonderful! The breakfast was delicious, and the altar looked beautiful! Our congregation's dedication to service was evident in every detail.

I would also like to express my gratitude to our Property Committee, Cub Scout Pack 100 and all of the volunteers who helped with Spring Clean-Up on April 13th! Flowers were planted, weeds were pulled, bushes trimmed, leaves blown, and the Cub Scouts even helped uncover our corner stone! The upkeep of our church and of it's grounds is an area that can always use volunteers. If you would like to help out at any time, please call Ted Strohl or Don Carr.

As we move into the warmer months, I have a few housekeeping items. Please mark your calendars for the following:

Sunday, May 26th - The second service will be at 10:15 a.m.

Sunday, June 2nd - The second service will be at 10:15 a.m.

Pentecost Sunday, June 9th - The second service will be at 10:15 a.m. Confirmation will take place this service.

Sunday, June 16th - The second service will begin at 9:30 a.m. This will be our traditional outside service followed by the picnic. It's also Father's Day!

We will be changing to our Summer schedule a little later than usual to accommodate the Boy Scouts and Confirmation. We knew you would understand!

Help Wanted!

Stephanie Stephens will be retiring her post as our Sunday school Superintendent effective June 9th. She has been a faithful servant in that position for 12 years. If you are someone you know might be interested in assisting with Sunday school education and planning, please call or email me.

Our congregation is a part of the Pocono Area Leisure Ministry. For the last several years, Rachel Martenco provided Sunday services between Memorial Day and Labor Day to two campgrounds in our area- Otter Lake and Mountain Vista. Rachel resigned in December. The service can be provided by a Lay Leader and the service follows our Celebrate and is printed by our secretary and ready to go on Sunday mornings during the summer. If you are interested in providing this service (you will be compensated) during any of the 15 Sundays needed, please give me a call or send me an email.

May brings us the Night of Music on the night of the 10th and Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive on Saturday the 11th. Watch for more information in our bulletins. We will celebrate our mothers on May 12th and our service men and women on May 19th. Don't forget as we have been reminded- We celebrate the resurrection EVERY Sunday!!

I'll see you then!
Laura Pride

P.S. My cell phone # is above. My home phone is 570-476-9225. My email is papride5@ptd.net

St. Paul's Lutheran Church of Smithfield
Income and Expense Statement (UNAUDITED)

	March <u>2019</u>	Year to <u>Date</u>	Year To Date <u>Budget</u>
INCOME			
CHURCH INCOME			
GENERAL INCOME	\$10,649.53	\$26,189.01	\$36,124.99
BENEVOLENCE INCOME			
Regular Benevolence	167.00	482.00	600.00
Thrivent Choice	235.00	235.00	375.00
Pantry/Good Samaritan	448.00	1,485.00	0.00
MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	2,126.27	4,468.15	3,743.73
INTEREST INCOME	6,732.35	6,736.75	41.25
MEMORIAL FUND	25.00	25.00	0.00
ORGAN & PRAISE BAND INCOME	530.00	3,095.00	0.00
DESIGNATED FUNDS INT. & DIV.	4.95	10.65	0.00
TOTAL INCOME	<u>\$20,918.10</u>	<u>\$42,726.56</u>	<u>\$40,884.97</u>
EXPENSES			
CHURCH EXPENSES			
STAFF	\$4,107.18	\$10,929.98	\$23,687.04
BENEVOLENCE EXPENSE			
Benevolence (Synod)	583.34	1,750.00	1,750.00
Pantry/Good Samaritan	0.00	1,118.94	0.00
PARISH ADMINISTRATION	1,000.73	1,958.24	1,825.02
WORSHIP	172.50	1,117.83	1,569.98
LEARNING	210.00	210.00	887.49
PROPERTY	4,486.27	11,274.31	13,036.93
DEBT PAYMENTS	1,173.89	3,521.67	3,522.00
STEWARDSHIP	0.00	0.00	737.50
WITNESS	40.00	137.50	100.00
SOCIAL FELLOWSHIP	211.26	628.26	875.01
ORGAN & PRAISE BAND EXP.	<u>0.00</u>	<u>395.05</u>	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>\$11,985.17</u>	<u>\$33,041.78</u>	<u>\$47,990.97</u>
EXCESS INCOME/(EXPENSES)	<u>(\$8,932.93)</u>	<u>(\$9,684.78)</u>	<u>(\$7,106.00)</u>

Cash Accounts

CHECKING ACCOUNTS & PETTY CASH	\$43,979.99	
THRIVENT FINANCIAL	135,769.18	
MIF - DESIGNATED FUNDS	<u>7,373.71</u>	
TOTAL CASH ACCOUNTS		<u>\$187,122.88</u>



Greetings from Music and Worship!

A new Christ candle and altar candles debuted this Easter. Special thanks to a donation that made possible a new attachment for the acolytes to ease the lighting of the candles. Our heartfelt thanks to the altar guild for all their efforts, to Pastors Chris Matthy, Tom Richards, Joseph Veres for their words, to the Sunday School children for lending their beautiful voices to song on Palm Sunday, the musicians who shared their talents and to you the congregation for the lovely Spring flowers and being part of a beautiful Holy Week and Celebration of Easter!

Spiritual Formation resumes on Wednesday, May 1st at 6:00pm in the Celebration Hall beginning with a Potluck supper. Please join us! Choir will return to their Thursday rehearsals on May 2nd.

Praise Team is presenting Gospel Sunday on May, 26th at the 10:15 service! Oh Happy Day!!

A Night of Music: ***A Star is Born*** is on Friday, May 10th featuring Aaron Piancone and Chris Souza on violin, Scott Besser on piano, tenor Erik Sparks and Steve Ertle on trumpet. There will be music and dancing and all around good ole fun with Dave Libecap and Friends, the St. Paul's Players and introducing for one night only – "the Twinkles"!! All from the madcap mind of May Ertle!

6:00pm Light refreshments in Celebration Hall (Doors open at 6:45pm)

7:00pm Show!

Tickets are on sale for \$10.00 and \$5.00 for children over 5 through your choir members and after services on May 6th. Proceeds to go to the organ fund and Lutheran Domestic Relief. Tell all your friends and family! We'll see you there!!

Pentecost Sunday will be on June 9th at 10:15am. On Sunday, June 16th 9:30am services will return for the summer and celebrated outside followed by our annual picnic. If you're interested in performing the anthem, please contact me.

Music & Worship's next meeting is Monday, May 6th at 6:00pm. Join us!

Your Friend in Christ,
Tim Lasslett

Help us Celebrate Armed Forces Day...Saint Paul's will be honoring all Americans in uniform who served their country in times of war and peace on May 19th for Armed Forces Day. We are requesting pictures to display for any family members you would like to honor. Please drop off at the office before May 12th and include name, branch of service, and dates serviced. Please see Gloria Killeen with any questions.



A Star is Born A Night of Music

Friday, May 10th 2019

6:00 PM Light Refreshments

6:45 Doors open

7:00 PM Show

Erik Sparks
tenor

Chris Souza
violin

A Star Studded Cast

Aaron Piancone, violin

Steve Ertle, flugelhorn

Dave Libecap & Friends

St. Paul's Players

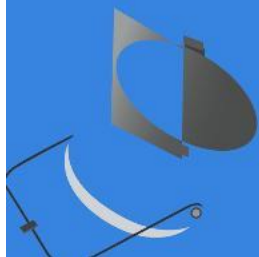
**and introducing
the Twinkles**

\$10 Adult

\$5 Kids

(5 & under) Free

Scott Besser
piano



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To benefit the Organ Fund & Lutheran Domestic Relief

SERVING FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

Greeters

5 Sally Harps & Lynne Williams
12 Sal & Noreen Manda
19 Walter & Carrie Strohl
26 Ann Braun & Jackie McGhee

Lay Readers

5 George Power
12 Madeline McCarron
19 Tim Lassette
26 Laura Pride

Acolytes

5 Brooke Nixon
12 Chloe Shane
19 Ashley Tully
26 Savannah Richterich

Coffee Servers

5
12 Men's Day for Mother's Day
19
26 Fellowship

Counters:

5 Joy Donnelly
12 Carrie Strohl
19 Freda Seiple
26 Faye Jones

Ushers

5 Faye Jones & Don Killeen
12 Jeannette Richardson & Nancy Fritz
19 The Pride Family
26 Marylee Rehm & Laura Biddulph

Nursery Assistants

Communion Assistants

5 Pat Clements and Dick Rehm
12
19 Ed Stephens and Jeannette Richardson
26

Crucifer

5 Sam Pride
12
19 Camille Patrick



*Marylee Rehm, and Lynne Williams***If you are unable to serve on your assigned day, **please find a replacement** and notify **Laura Biddulph lbiddulph0812@yahoo.com** as soon as possible. Thank You.*



We had a great time at our April Youth gathering. Everyone enjoyed Hot Dogs, Macaroni Salad, chips and Lots of Easter Candy.

We spent the rest of the night painting and decorating mini wooden bird houses while enjoying everyone's conversation and company.



May's meeting will be held on Friday the 17th. 6:30-8:30. in Celebration Hall. Everyone invited from grades 6th - 12th.

Great times to come, big things planned so bring your friends and have fun.

Blessings The Youth Committee



Please be sure to check the acolyte and crucifer schedule to see if your child is scheduled to serve. We appreciate our wonderful children and their supportive families!

Congratulations to Brooke Nixon and Savannah Richterich on receiving their First Communion on Palm Sunday. Saint Paul's welcomes you to our table!

Sunday School classes are coming to an end this month, as a reminder here is the schedule:

May

Sunday, May 5 Regular class

Sunday, May 12 Mother's Day- No class

Sunday, May 19 Last Day of classes

June

Sunday, June 9 Pentecost Sunday and Confirmation



TEE Shirts for Sale!!

There are a limited number and sizes left of St. Paul's t-shirts left for sale. Shirts are \$10 each. Please show your support by making a purchase before the summer. Sizes and number of shirts left: Small: (5), Medium: (10), Large: (3), XL: (8), XXL: (3) See Jeannette Richardson if you are interested.



We are All Companions on the Way

Drop in on Wednesday Night for a refreshing
Spiritual Formation Worship Service.

We Share Scripture, Prayer, Meditation, Discussion and of course Food!

First Wednesday of the Month: Pot Luck Dinner Bring a dish to share at 6:00 p.m.

Second - Fourth Wednesdays: Bring your own Dinner at 6:00 p.m.

Worship 6:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.

Women's Prayer Group



The Women's Prayer is taking a break for the month of May.
We Will be starting again June 9th after coffee hour.

We are starting a new book!

**What Happens When Women Say Yes to God: Live more fully, Love
more deeply, Experience God's Best for you. Lysa TerKeurst .**

See Laura Biddulph to get your book or if you have any questions.

We meet every 2nd and 4th Sunday after Coffee Hour.

Building Relationships with One Another

And Strengthening our Prayer Lives Together!!

All Are Welcome to Drop in for Prayer and Discussion!

Friday Ladies

St. Paul's Friday Ladies



Making Quilted Lap Robes for Nursing Homes including Pleasant Valley, Hospice, Meals on Wheels and personal requests for someone in need is just one of the important jobs done by this fantastic group of volunteers that meet every Friday in the Social Hall.



Thanks to Thrivent for sponsoring the group twice a year to help buy supplies needed.

The Congregation is also welcome to request a robe for a family member or friend in need.

A Big Thanks go out to Friday Ladies for contributing Delicious baked goods when ever needed.



In 2018 these special ladies distributed 44 Lap Robes.



MAY IS TOMATO SAUCE MONTH. PLEASE BRING AS MANY ITEMS AS YOU ARE ABLE TO CHURCH ON SUNDAY AND PUT THEM IN THE BASKETS ON THE ALTAR! THANK YOU!! Laundry and dish detergent, toothbrushes and personal hygiene items are also welcome. *Thank you to our fabulous volunteers!!*

The pantry does not turn anyone away and makes due with what we have so that every family receives groceries every two weeks. St. Paul's and the community thank you for your continuous support of this important ministry. In addition to the "food of the month" item requested in the bulletin, donations of any nonperishable food items along with laundry detergent, dish soap, shampoo, bath soap, and other hygiene items are most welcome. Also, don't forget when purchasing items for our pantry to also hand in your Weis Market Receipts! I offer a tremendous and heart-felt thank you to those who have helped pick up food at the stores! We could not do it without your help. For more information or questions on the food pantry, please see Laura Pride, Jackie McGhee, and Nancy Fritz.

STAMP OUT HUNGER FOOD DRIVE: The Postal Carrier's Annual "Stamp Out Hunger" food drive will take place on Saturday, May 11th. Please remember to place your bag of nonperishable food items next to your mailbox! Our pantry is a recipient of this food. Volunteers are needed to work at the East Stroudsburg Post Office to help unload the food from the mail trucks and load it into the recipient's trucks. Volunteers are also needed to help transport the food to church and help us put it away. Please see Jackie if you are able to help.



Community Garden

This years spring garden has been planted thanks to Dick Rehm. Blueberry Bushes have been added new this year inside our fence as we continue to watch the Raspberry Bushes out side the garden grow. Already you can visit the garden and see the Sweet Onion, Leaf Lettuce, Radishes, and Head Lettuce starting to grow. We have been blessed by God and Dick Rehm's green thumb and our pantry clients and congregation members are so grateful! Last fall material purchased with money we received from Thrivent will be wrapped around our apple trees for deer control. Help is always welcome! No Experience necessary!!!! See Dick Rehm, Ed Stephens or call the church office at 570-223-9422 if you are interested.



Property Committee



There are many odd jobs to be done on a continual basis to maintain our church property. If you would like to donate time to the upkeep of our church property please contact Ted Strohl at 570-856-8008. There are always jobs to be done! The Property Committee meets on the first Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

The Social Hall floor needs to be replaced. The estimated cost of the materials is \$3000.00. Donations for this cause are appreciated. You may indicate such on your envelope. Thank you.



The Hospitality Committee meets quarterly to review the operation of Celebration Hall. They take care of advertising the hall as a venue, booking events and acting as on-site stewards during those events. They also oversee the care of the hall including maintenance and cleaning. The committee met on September 26th. At this time there are several items that Celebration Hall is in need of. As the committee plans fundraising efforts, they would like to offer a list of these items to the congregation in hopes that we might be able to donate funds to defray costs.

The following is a list of items needed and their estimated cost.

1 Round Table: \$200.00, 20 Stacking upholstered chairs: \$25.00 each, 6 Banquet-Length Tablecloths: \$25.00 each

If you would like to help, please see a member of the Hospitality Committee: Laura Pride, Faye Jones, Kay Malinowitzer, Sam Malinowitzer, Audrey Barr, or Ed Stephens. Thank you!



We are in search of a coordinator to help with Family Promise. The job includes making phone calls to the congregation to enlist their help in providing two meals during our co-host week. We co-host with Stroudsburg Wesleyan Church 4 times a year, and our next co-host date will be in February 2019. We NEVER have to host during a holiday! If you're interested please see Laura.



SPAGHETTI DINNER

ST Paul's Lutheran Church
of Smithfield

In Celebration Hall

May 16, 2019

4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Donation - \$6.00 per person

Eat in or Take out



If you have any questions...Please call:

Kay Malinowitzer

(h) 570-223-5049 or (c) 570-242-3147

Faye Jones ~ (h) 570-223-8035

Directions: Take business 209 N ~ Turn L onto Craig's Meadow Road ~ 1/4 mile behind Country Kettle on Craig's Meadow Road ~ Celebration Hall is located behind the church.

*Sponsored by the Evangelism Committee
Raffle Sponsored by People of the Way*



KARATE CLASSES

We invite you to become part of our karate family. Our certified instructors will teach age appropriate Isshin-Ryu Karate as well as grappling, judo and self-defense techniques.

Class Information:

Days:

Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Times:

Children (6-12) 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM
Adults (13 and up) 7:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Location:

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139 Craig's Meadow Road
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Cost:

Suggested donation: \$40 per month

Phoenix Martial Arts Society is a public 501(c)(3) charitable organization.

For more information contact:

Phoenix Martial Arts Society

PO Box 326

Analomink, PA 18320

Phone: 570-982-4999

E-mail: info@phoenixmartialartssociety.com

Web: www.phoenixmartialartssociety.com

- Confidence
- Leadership
- Discipline
- Coordination
- Physical Fitness
- Friendships
- Anti-Bullying
- Self Defense

Each class focuses on the traditional Okinawan karate values and skill sets while making sure our students have a great time!



NOTE: This activity is not officially endorsed or financially supported by the East Stroudsburg Area School District. Permission to distribute this information is provided as a service to the students and staff.

MAY 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat
			1 6:00 First Wednesday Potluck Dinner followed by; Spiritual Formation in Celebration Hall at 6:30	2 7:00 Choir Rehearsal	3 10:00 am Friday Ladies	4
5 8:15 Worship 9:00 Sunday School, Confirmation Class 9:10 Adult Bible Study 10:15 Worship- Communion	6 6:00 Music and Worship Meeting 7:00 Property Meeting	7 11:30 am Bible Study 7:00 Contemporary Music Rehearsal	8 6:00 Bring your own meal followed by: Spiritual Formation in Celebration Hall at 6:30	9 6:30 Finance Meeting 7:00 Choir Rehearsal	10 10:00 am Friday Ladies	11 A NIGHT OF MUSIC 6:00- Refreshments 7:00- Program
12 8:15 Worship- Communion 9:00 Sunday School, Confirmation Class 9:10 Adult Bible Study 10:15 Worship MOTHERS DAY	13 7:00 Evangelism Meeting	14 11:30 am Bible Study 7:00 Contemporary Music Rehearsal 7:00 Church Council Meeting	15 6:00 Bring your own meal followed by: Spiritual Formation in Celebration Hall at 6:30	16 Spaghetti Dinner 4:30 - 6:30 7:00 Choir Rehearsal	17 10:00 am Friday Ladies Youth Group 6:30-8:30 in CH	18
19 8:15 Worship 9:00 Sunday School, Confirmation Class 9:10 Adult Bible Study 10:15 Worship- Communion Celebrate Armed Forces Day	20	21 11:30 am Bible Study 7:00 Contemporary Music Rehearsal	22 6:00 Bring your own meal followed by: Spiritual Formation in Celebration Hall at 6:30	23 6:00 Stewardship Meeting 7:00 Choir Rehearsal	24 10:00 am Friday Ladies	25
26 8:15 Worship- Communion 9:00 Sunday School, Confirmation Class 9:10 Adult Bible Study 10:15 Contemporary Worship	27 MEMORIAL DAY	28 11:30 am Bible Study 7:00 Contemporary Music Rehearsal	29 6:00 Bring your own meal followed by: Spiritual Formation in Celebration Hall at 6:30	30 7:00 Choir Rehearsal	31 10:00 am Friday Ladies	SUMMER PICNIC & HOURS CHANGE JUNE 16th

Cub Scouts:

Girl Scouts: 2nd and 4th Wednesday at 5:45 p.m.

Karate: Every Tuesday and Thursday 6:30 p.m.

NA: Every Thursday and Saturday 6:30-9:30 p.m.

**Sunday Ladies Prayer
Group will meet June 12**

**Sunday 19th Armed Forces Day
sharing pictures and honor our
Service Men and Women**