

This Week at St. Paul's Lutheran Church

January 22, 2023

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THIS WEEK (January 22-28, 2023)

Sun.: 22	8:00 am 9:15 9:15 9:15 9:15 9:15 10:30 7:00 pm	Traditional Worship Service Sun. School (Age 3 potty-trnd - 5th gr) Confirmation Class 6-8th Gr (Pars.) Explore Faith Practices (204) Current Issues/Christn Perspec (208) Social Ministry Meeting (102) Contemporary Worship Service Christian Unity Service
Mon.: 23	7:00 pm 7:30	Boy Scouts 216 (FH) Bells Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Tue.: 24	6:00 pm 6:00 7:00 7:00	Cub Den 6 (Parsonage) Cub Den 3 (FH) <i>Simpson Mdws Bible Study</i> Mutual Ministry Team (Zoom)
Wed.: 25	9:30 am 6:15 pm 6:30 7:30	Crafters (Parsonage) Voice of the Spirit (Choir Rm) Parent Support Group (FH) Worship Team (Sanctuary)
Thur. 26	8:00 am 6:00 pm 7:30	Amigos (start in Parsonage) Cub Den 7 (FH) Kingdom Choir (Sanc)
Fri.: 27		
Sat.: 28	8:15 am	<i>GoodWorks</i>

WORSHIP With Us This Sunday!

Come join us! Or if you prefer-- worship **online at 8:00 or 10:30** with us by clicking on: [Online Worship](#) OR you can go to: <https://www.stpaulslionville.org/>.

Our Prayer List We pray for Rick, Ray, Maureen, Chet, William, Cornell and family, Wrenly, Brett, Amy C., Amy D., Eric, Shirley, Sue, Carmen, Jan, Sandy L., Nancy, Marlene, Josie, Don, Garnet, Ben, Chip, Sandy, Alice, Jean, and Vicky, as well as Zach, Chris and Alistar in the military. If you have an addition to the prayer list, contact the office.



Volunteers	8:00	10:30
<i>Altar Care:</i>	Dan Shallow	Linda Stevens
<i>Asst Min:</i>	Gary Sarpin	Bruce Burt
<i>Lector:</i>	Nancy Berger	Cherie Baker
<i>Ushers/Grtrs:</i>	Chad Adams	Sue McIlvaine
<i>Ushers/Grtrs:</i>		Jim McIlvaine
<i>Acolyte:</i>	Jack Wiest	Ryan Teague
<i>Lock-Up:</i>	Chris Flach	

Welcome Marisa & New Staff Office Hours

Welcome to Marisa Weisskopf who started this week as our Communications and Office Administrator! Her email address is Marisa@StPaulsLionville.org. We will also be adjusting some of the office hours. We wanted to make sure everyone knows them so you can connect with our staff. Marisa will be in the office on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 10 am – 4 pm. She will be working from home the same hours on Wednesday and Friday. Cari will be scaling back her hours and will be in the office Tuesday through Thursday mornings.

Pastor Stuart will continue to take Monday off, will usually be in the office Tuesday through Thursday, except when at meetings or visiting, and plans to work from home on Fridays for worship and sermon preparation. For emergencies he is available at 610-804-1740.

It's always wise to schedule an appointment, just to make sure the staff member you want to connect with is in the office and available. Additionally, we plan to upgrade the church phone system this year, hopefully allowing the phones to forward to wherever we are working.

Thanks so much for your understanding!

Christian Unity Service - Jan. 22, 7:00 pm

Here at St. Paul's on Sun., January 22 at 7 pm the Lionville / Exton Ministerium will lead a worship service as we celebrate our common faith and commitment to this community. The guest preacher will be Pastor Christian McMullan from St. Matthew's Lutheran Church and a fellowship reception will follow. Please join us for this special evening service! Note: the service will also be available on our livestream at [YouTube.com/StPaulsLionville](https://www.youtube.com/StPaulsLionville).

CHILI COOK-OFF Sunday, Jan. 29, 11:30 am

The chili cook-off is returning to St. Paul's on Sunday, January 29 following the second service. We need both chefs and tasters! Sign up : [Chili Cook-Off](#)

Tickets for the event can be purchased at the door for \$10 per person or \$25 per family. 100% of the proceeds go to renovating the Fellowship Kitchen.

Or go to Link: StPaulsLionville.org/Events and look for Chili Cook-Off.



ReStock the Food Bank Shelves! After the holidays, food banks tend to run dry so for January thru mid-February, we'd like to keep a food collection going to restock those shelves. Add an extra item each time you go the grocery store and leave in the collection box in the Narthex. Here are items needed now (preferably low sugar, low sodium, no fructose, no glass containers):

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| - Brkfst Cereal/Oatmeal | - Pasta, Brown Rice | - Canned Tuna, Salmon, Chicken | - Hearty soups |
| - Beans (dried/canned) | - Pasta Sauce | - Cooking Oils | - Canned Tomatoes |
| - Herbs and Spices | - Crackers (whole grain) | - Peanut butter (not high fruit) | - Snacks |
| - Dried/Canned Fruits in juice | - Whole grain granola bars | - Condiments/Dressings | |

Feb. 5 Brunch - Annual Meeting at 10:30 am

On Sunday, February 5, we will have one service at 9:30 am. Stick around for the annual meeting immediately following the service. Join us for a breakfast-oriented brunch at the conclusion of the meeting. Here's the [link](#) to sign up to bring a dish and help! Your attendance is needed as quorum is needed. Hope to see you there!

Grow in Faith as We Explore Faith Practices

At 9:15 am on Sunday mornings in room 204 **starting Jan. 22**, we'll be watching a wonderful series of thought-provoking videos on faith practices. The class will watch one of these nine-minute videos and then share and discuss with each other! The videos are so well done that we'll spend two weeks discussing each one, so it's very easy to pop into the class. The videos topics & speakers:

- Brian McLaren: Prayer: Oriented toward God
- Sara Miles: Food: Eating, with Jesus
- Mike Slaughter: Worship: Seeking God's Presence
- Phyllis Tickle: Sacraments: A Tapestry of Traditions
- Shane Claiborne: Money: The Joy of Sharing
- Enuma Okoro: Service: The Needs Right in Front of You
- Doug Pagitt: Community: An Unexpected Family

Coffee Fellowship Help The volunteer list to sign up to provide snacks/prepare coffee on Sundays is online via Signup Genius. Sign up with a friend or with a church group. [Click here: StPaulsLionville.org/hostfellowship](#) You can also sign up in the narthex. Have some fun!

Shorti Wawa Coupons for Sale! We have discount Wawa shorti hoagie coupons in the office. Cost is \$4 per coupon. Stop by and see Cari or Marisa.

Contemp. Issues/Christian Perspectives Class continues through the fall. We meet following the worship service in the second floor room 208. With lively discussion, we dig deeper into the current issues on your mind while looking at Christian perspectives using the worship service Bible readings of the day.

Simpson Meadows Bible Study meets Tuesday evenings at 7:00 pm. We study multi-week biblical-themed videos followed by a discussion relating the video to today's world. Sessions are independent and can be joined any time without participating in earlier sessions. We meet in the 2nd floor lounge of Simpson Meadows. Masks & front-desk check-in required. All are welcome.

Find out what events & drives are going on! Just go to: StPaulsLionville.org/Events!

Lenten Planning Survey Lent is a special time to grow in faith as we head toward the dramatic events of Holy Week and the glory of Easter. We have a special plan for the Sundays in Lent, but St. Paul's has sometimes also offered mid-week services or other ways to grow in faith. If you would please fill out this **survey** at StPaulsLionville.org/lentenplanning, it will help our staff and volunteers in planning a Lenten season which is a blessing to you!

Worship "Homework" for Sun., February 5

On February 5 we will celebrate with one worship service at 9:30 am before the annual meeting and the theme will be using our gifts to be salt and light for the world. As we talk about spiritual gifts, we'll ask you to identify your primary gift. (They are all listed below.) If you haven't ever explored your spiritual gifts, you might want to complete this short survey at StPaulsLionville.org/spiritualgifts so you are prepared!

The twenty spiritual gifts listed in scripture are: Administration, Artistry, Discernment, Evangelism, Exhortation, Faith, Giving, Hospitality, Intercession, Knowledge, Leadership, Mercy, Music-vocal, Music-instrumental, Pastoring, Service, Skilled Craft, Teaching, Wisdom and Writing.

The Chat and Chews Book Club meets once a month during the school year usually on the second Sunday of the month (unless it conflicts with holidays/events). We have a new meeting time/location: after the 10:30 service in Room 102. Bring along a packed lunch. We work together to select books we would like to read. Some are Christian based and others are just interesting book suggestions from the members. Either genre provides a lively and faithful conversation.

We have selected the following books for the discussion on the following dates: February 12th—*The Prayer Box*, by Lisa Wingate; March 12th—*Stanger in the Lifeboat*, by Mitch Albom; April 16th—*American Dirt*, by Jeanine Cummins; May 21st—*The Thank-You Project*, by Nancy Davis Kho. Our motto is read the book or don't read the book, and still come to enjoy fellowship with a great group. You do not have to attend each month, only when you are available. Please contact Gwen Werner for more information. Happy reading!

Have old eyeglasses? We have a box in the narthex to collect your unbroken and used eyeglasses for the Lions Club.



Interested in studying **lectionary readings** for this or future weeks? Just click on: [Lectionary Readings](http://www.textweek.com) (www.textweek.com)

YOUTH INFORMATION

THE SIGNUP DEADLINE FOR THE JANUARY 28TH GOOD WORKS YOUTH WORKDAY WAS WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18TH. On Jan. 28 we will meet at the Good Works Coatesville warehouse at 8:15 am, then travel to a nearby residence to help make it safer, warmer, and drier for the family that lives there. If interested and didn't sign up, contact Craig Miller.

TUSCARORA LUTHERAN YOUTH RETREAT SIGNUP DEADLINE IS THIS SUNDAY, JANUARY 22!

This March 24-26 retreat is open to all 6th through 12th graders and brings together several hundred youth from all across the Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod.

"CONNECT-DISCONNECT-RECONNECT" YOUTH RETREATS TO BEAR CREEK CAMP! Our Middle School and High School Youth will be at Bear Creek for our own St. Paul's/St. Matt's retreats Friday, February 10 through Sunday, February 12. (Don't worry - we'll be back in *plenty* of time for the Super Bowl.) See the Youth Ministry News for more details. **Signup deadline for both Bear Creek retreats is Sunday, January 29.** Sign up using these links:

[Middle School Retreat to Bear Creek Camp](#)
[High School Retreat to Bear Creek Camp](#)

IMPORTANT NEW INFO ABOUT THE JUNE MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH TRIP TO WASHINGTON D.C. -

Based on feedback from families, we have made three important changes to this trip:

1. The age range of eligible students has been adjusted to **current 5th through 7th graders**;
2. The trip has been shortened by two days, and will now be held **Sunday, June 18 through Wednesday, June 21**, and
3. The cost of the trip has been reduced to **\$240 accordingly**.

Registration has been re-opened until Sunday, February 12, at which time a \$100 non-refundable deposit is also due. Sign up here to join us for what promises to be an exciting trip:

[Middle School Trip to Washington D.C.](#)

HIGH SCHOOL 'OASIS' returns this Saturday, January 21 from 7:00 to 8:30 pm at St. Paul's. Spend some time away from the busy-ness of life and de-stress with friends and food!

No signup is necessary; just show up.

YOUTH GAMING DAY AT UPLINK STUDIOS IS BACK! On Sunday, January 29 from 1:00 to 3:30 pm, all 6th through 12th graders are invited to come and show off your e-gaming skills as we spend another afternoon at Uplink. Cost is \$20 per person.

Sign up here to join us: [Jan. 29th Youth Gaming Day](#).

See the *Youth Ministry News* or contact Craig Miller (craigyouthmin@gmail.com) for details about these opportunities!

2023 Giving For Operating Expenses YTD

Giving 1/8 - 5,160

2023 Target

\$ 9,590 2%

\$ 423,000

YTD Budgeted Income: \$ 16,269 YTD Shortage: \$ 6,679

St. Paul's regularly takes pictures and video to share all the great things happening in print and digitally. If you or family have concerns about something being shared in this manner, contact [Pastor Stuart](#).