

This Week at St. Paul's Lutheran Church

Christmas Day, December 25, 2022

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THIS WEEK (December 25-31, 2022)

Sun.: 25		Christmas Day The Synod has made available a streamed service starting at noon on Christmas Eve. See the link below. Also a list of churches with live services is listed below.
Mon.: 26		Office Closed
Tue.: 27		Office Closed
Wed.: 28	9-10:00 am 10-11:00 6:30pm	Shirley Deist Visitation Shirley Deist Funeral Parent Support Group (FH)
Thur.:29		
Fri.: 30		
Sat.: 31		New Year's Eve

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 Cornell and family, Lily, 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. We lift up the Wensel/Hess families on the death of Nancy's brother, Bob. If you have an addition to the prayer list, contact the office.



Volunteers 9:30

Altar Care: Anne Albright
Asst Min: Kim Johnson
Lector: Cherie Baker
Ushers/ Grtrs: Chris Flach, Joel Fabry
Acolyte: Ryan Teague
Lock-Up: Peter Smith

The Christmas Day service will be available online starting at noon on Christmas Eve. Here is the link:

<https://youtu.be/ZkKLjtUnmmo>

Holiday Season Dates

- **Christmas Eve Services** will be held here:
 3:00 Family Service
 8:00 Contemporary Service
 10:00 Traditional Service
- On **Christmas Day**, the Synod offers a streamed service available starting noon on Christmas Eve.



OR

3 local Lutheran churches are holding live services:

- **St. Matthew's** at 8:30 am
 2440 Conestoga Road, Chester Springs
- **Messiah Lutheran** at 10:00 am
 46 W. Lancaster Ave, Downingtown
- **St. Peter's Lutheran** at 10:00 am
 1239 Clover Mill Road, Chester Springs

LAST CHANCE to Invite Someone to Celebrate on Christmas Eve!

This week we drop two final social media posts on our [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) pages which will let people know about the great things happening on Christmas Eve. Please let others know by using the "Share" function to your own page or the "Direct Share" to send it to someone you would like to invite!

Additionally, if you haven't sent the pre-printed Christmas cards or need more, please make sure to use them to bless someone's Christmas Eve experience! And keep on praying for those you have already forwarded a video to or given them a Christmas card!



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

Shorti Wawa Coupons for Sale !

We currently have discount Wawa shorti hoagie coupons in the office. Cost is \$4 per coupon. If interested, please stop by and see Cari or Karen.



Thanking our Staff Dear fellow members, each year we look forward to Advent and the Christmas season, celebrating the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

As in years past, Mutual Ministry will gather donations from the congregation for a staff Christmas gift. Please give prayerful consideration and express your thanks to our staff for their dedication and service over the past year.

As Chair of the Mutual Ministry Committee, Joel Fabry will gather your gifts and distribute them to our staff before the New Year. You can send your gift (as a check made payable to Joel Fabry, not cash) directly to Joel at 104 Southside Circle, Downingtown, PA 19335, or if Venmo is your preferred payment method, you can send your gift to @Joel-Fabry by Christmas Day.

With thanks and prayers this Christmas season,
St. Paul's Mutual Ministry Committee

Coffee Fellowship Help The volunteer list to sign up to provide fellowship snacks/prepare coffee on Sunday mornings is online via Signup Genius. Sign up with a friend or with a church group. [Click here: Coffee Fellowship Signup](#) You can also sign up in the narthex. Please consider volunteering one week; it does make a difference.

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 the earlier sessions. We meet in the 2nd floor lounge of Simpson Meadows. Masks & front-desk check-in are required. All are welcome.

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



Open Mic Night - Friday, January 6, 2023
Come join us for a night of talent provided by....YOU!

6-9pm in Fellowship Hall
(might end earlier, but no later)

Hot chocolate bar provided;
attendees should bring a snack to share.

If you have questions, contact
Brian Lloyd at: 484-947-4755 or
brianplloyd2000@gmail.com



Chat & Chews Sunday School Book Club

Chat and Chews Sunday School Book Club will meet on the second Sunday of each month in the Church Library (NEW TIME) after the 10:30 am worship service. Our next meeting is January 8 and lunch will be provided. We will plan out our books for the rest of the year, so please bring something you would like to read. We are trying to give our group a boost and hope new friends will join us. One of our changes will be someone selecting a book and leading the group that month. I will continue with emailing and texting dates, etc. Please contact Gwen Werner for more information.

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



Easter Hams?? Many thanks to all who contributed to the Thanksgiving Food Drive. Many people donated the "free" turkey that they received using their Giant card points. **Giant will also be awarding hams with points for Christmas.** If you do not have a need for your ham, please consider bringing to church as we can freeze and use for our Easter Food Drive. Contact Jenn Pindle Jennifer.pindle@verizon.net with any questions.

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.

Congregational Care Caring for each other is one of the most important things we do. If you or loved ones have a need: spiritually, physically, or emotionally, email: care@stpaulslionville.org. From letting us know you're especially lonely to special prayers. **If a pastoral emergency, call Pastor Stuart at 610-363-6264, x. 202.**

2022 Giving For Operating Expenses YTD

\$ 390,061

Giving 12/18 - 4,992

92%

2022 Target

\$ 423,000

YTD Budgeted Income: \$ 414,865 YTD Shortage: \$ 24,804





Youth News

WE NEED FEMALE ADULT LEADERS FOR BOTH MISSION TRIPS NEXT SUMMER! We are looking for one female adult leader for our June 18-23 middle school trip to Washington D.C., and one for our July 8-15 high school Appalachia Service Project workweek. Contact Craig Miller as soon as possible if you can help with these amazing experiences for our youth (and for our adult leaders, too!).

"CONNECT - DISCONNECT - RECONNECT" YOUTH RETREATS TO BEAR CREEK CAMP The Middle School and High School Youth will each have their own retreat at Bear Creek Camp from Friday, February 10 through Sunday, February 12 (we'll be home in *plenty* of time for the Super Bowl) focusing on the theme of "Connection." The cost is \$40 for the first participant from each family, and \$20 for each additional participant. You don't want to be left out of this fun opportunity to spend time with friends in the Poconos, away from it all! We also need adult leaders to drive and be with our groups while we are there. Sign up here to join us:

[February Middle School Retreat to Bear Creek Camp](#)
[February High School Retreat to Bear Creek Camp](#)
[Adult Help with Bear Creek Camp Retreats](#)

ANNOUNCING A NEW YOUTH MINISTRY PLATFORM! Beginning in January, we will be using the GroupMe app as a central location for information related to upcoming youth events, with groups for high school youth, middle school youth, the middle school mission trip, and the Appalachia Service Project workweek. Invitations to join relevant groups will be sent to youth and families during the first week of January. Information will still be shared in the ATC and other methods, but GroupMe will become the primary means of communicating information.

THERE ARE TWO UPCOMING MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH EVENTS IN JANUARY:

Sunday, January 8 from 2:00 to 4:00 pm - **Fun & Games Day at St. Matthew's.** Spend an afternoon playing games of all types - board, card, electronic, active, strategy, skill, chance, mind. Sign up here to participate: [Jan. 8th Middle School Fun & Games.](#)

Sunday, January 29 from 1:00 to 3:30 pm - **Gaming Day Part II at Uplink Studios.** 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.](#)

THERE ARE FOUR UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES IN JANUARY FOR HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH:

Sunday, January 8 from 11:30 am to 1:15 pm - **High School "Brunchtime!" at St. Matthew's.** This time we're cooking our own! Sign up to attend and bring something to share with the group at the meal table: [Jan. 8th "Brunchtime".](#)

Saturday, January 21 from 7:00 to 8:30 pm - **OASIS at St. Paul's.** Spend some time away from the busyness of life and de-stress with friends and food! No signup is necessary; just show up.

Saturday, January 28 from 8:15am to 3:30 pm - **Good Works Youth Workday.** Meet at the Good Works Coatesville warehouse at 8:15, then travel to a nearby residence to help make it safer, warmer, and drier for the family that lives there. **Sign up here by Wednesday, January 18 to participate:** [Jan. 28th Good Works Workday.](#)

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