

# This Week at St. Paul's Lutheran Church

January 15, 2023

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## THIS WEEK (January 15-21, 2023)

<b>Sun.: 15</b>	<b>8:00 am</b> 9:15 9:15  9:15 9:30 10:30	<b>Traditional Worship Service</b> Sunday School (Age 3 potty-trnd - 5th gr) Confirmation Class 6-8th Gr (Pars.) Class on Faith (204) Current Issues/Christn Perspec (208) <b>Contemporary Worship Service</b>
<b>Mon.: 16</b>		Martin Luther King Day—office closed
<b>Tue.: 17</b>	10:00 am 7:00 pm 7:00	Staff Meeting Simpson Mdws Bible Study Worship Planning Team (Zoom)
<b>Wed.: 18</b>	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)
<b>Thur.:19</b>	8:00 am 6:00 pm 7:30	Amigos (start in Parsonage) Cub Pack Meeting (FH) Kingdom Choir (Sanc)
<b>Fri.: 20</b>		
<b>Sat.: 21</b>	9:30 am 7:00 pm	Cub Den 5 (FH) OASIS (FH)

### 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

The chili cook-off is returning to St. Paul's on Sunday, January 29 following the second service. We need both chefs and tasters!

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.



**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](#).**

### 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 Chet, William, Cornell and family, Wrenly, 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. If you have an addition to the prayer list, contact the office.



### Volunteers

**8:00**

**10:30**

<i>Altar Care:</i>	John Ward	Elisa Mata
<i>Asst Min:</i>	Matt Missimer	Craig Miller
<i>Lector:</i>	Karen Lammey	Sue McIlvaine
<i>Ushers/Grtrs:</i>	Kirk Berger	Sue McIlvaine
<i>Ushers/Grtrs:</i>	Ken Kramer	Jim McIlvaine
<i>Acolyte:</i>	Carly Shallow	Azzy Gulliford
<i>Lock-Up:</i>	Bryon Wornson	

### Martin L. King Day of Svc, Mon., Jan.16<sup>th</sup>

Do you get the day off on MLK day and want to give back? This year we are organizing some local projects that demand just a couple of hours of your time.

**Meeting at the church at 9.30am**, we have three projects organized:

- Collecting donations for the food bank outside ACME in Chester Springs to support our restock the food bank shelves drive – two shifts 10am-11am; 11am-12noon
- Deep clean the church (inside) 9.30am-12noon
- Clean up Struble River Trail (outdrs) 10am-11.30am

If you're available and interested, please use this link to sign up: [StPaulsLionville.org/Events](http://StPaulsLionville.org/Events)

or simply email me at: [annemariewalters@hotmail.com](mailto:annemariewalters@hotmail.com)

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

Here's the link for the breakfast-oriented brunch on February 5 following the 9:30 single service and the **annual meeting!** Please sign up to help provide various dishes for the brunch. Just click on the link and pick the event you're signing up for (brunch/annu mtg). Hope to see you there.

[StPaulsLionville.org/Events](http://StPaulsLionville.org/Events)

**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 fruct) | - Snacks          |
| - Dried/Canned Fruits in juice | - Whole grain granola bars |                                  |                   |
| - Condiments/Dressings         |                            |                                  |                   |

### **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](http://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. If interested, stop by and see Cari or Karen.

### **Greetings from The Church-Budget Envelope and Mailing Company**

Some of you may be aware of delays in the offering envelope mailings over the past couple months. Due to supply chain and the inability to add employees at the rate necessary has created a slow draw on production and shipping. Recently, both of those issues have been resolved. However the "catchup" would jeopardize long term delivery.

In order to get back to expected levels of timely deliveries, we are forced to suspend the production of the remaining supply of your January envelopes. The offering envelopes will resume and be delivered by the first Sunday in March. Quarterly supply will restart in April.

Never in our company's history have we had to skip scheduled mailings and we are doing all we can to make sure this never happens again. We deeply apologize for this necessary course of action and the inconveniences this has caused you and your church family.

We appreciate your understanding.

- The Church – Budget Envelope and Mailing Company Management Team

**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/lentplanning](http://StPaulsLionville.org/lentplanning), it will help our staff and volunteers in planning a Lenten season which is a blessing to you!

**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](mailto: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.**

**Find out what events & drives are going on! Just go to: [StPaulsLionville.org/Events!](http://StPaulsLionville.org/Events!)**

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



**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.

*Congratulations on the Baptisms of*  
*Aidan Oslo Mertz & Caderyn James Mertz*  
*held this Sunday, January 15, 2023.*  
*Parents are*  
*Jason and Gina Mertz.*



## YOUTH INFORMATION

**THE SIGNUP DEADLINE FOR THE JANUARY 28TH GOOD WORKS YOUTH WORKDAY IS THIS COMING 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. Sign up here to participate: [Jan. 28th Good Works Workday](#).

**TUSCARORA LUTHERAN YOUTH RETREAT SIGNUP DEADLINE IS NEXT 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 next Saturday, January 21 from 7:00 to 8:30 pm 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.

**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