

This Week at St. Paul's Lutheran Church

April 23, 2023

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THIS WEEK (April 23-29, 2023)

Sun, 23:	8:00 am	Traditional Worship Service
	9:15	Sunday School (age 3 potty-trained-5th gr)
	9:15	Confirmation Class 6-8th grade (Pars.)
	9:15	"The Church" Bible Study (204)
	9:30	Current Issues/Christian Perspective (208)
	10:30	Contemporary Worship Service
	2:00 pm	Laser Tag & Mini Golf (meet @ St. Paul's)
	4:00	New Member Classes (Parlor)
Mon, 24:	7:00 pm	Boy Scouts 216 (FH)
	7:00	Social Ministry Meeting (101)
	7:30	Bells Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Tue, 25:	6:00 pm	Cub Den 6 (Pars.)
	6:00	Cub Den 3 (FH)
	7:00	Mutual Ministry Meeting (Zoom)
	7:00	<i>Simpson Meadows Bible Study</i>
Wed, 26:	10:00 am	Crafters (Parsonage)
	6:30 pm	Parent Support Group (FH)
Thu, 27:	8:00 am	Amigos (Parsonage)
	6:30 pm	Cub Den 7 (FH)
	6:30	Worship Team (Sanctuary)
	7:30	Kingdom Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Fri, 28:	7:00 pm	Friday Night Fire Pit Fellowship
Sat, 29:	7:00 pm	High School OASIS (Pars.)

WORSHIP With Us This Sunday!

Come join us! Or if you prefer - worship with us online at 8:00 am or 10:30 am by clicking on [Worship Online](#) or visiting StPaulsLionville.org. All are welcome!

Our Prayer List

We pray for Bradley, Dan, Maggie, Dick, Joan, Jerry, Alan, Julie, Stanley, Rick, Ray, William, Cornell and family, Wrenly, Brett, Amy C., Amy D., Jan, Marlene, Nancy, Josie, Don, Garnet, Ben, Chip, Sandy, Alice, and Jean, as well as Daniel, Zach, Alistar, and Chris in the military. Contact the office to add a name to the prayer list.



Volunteers 8:00 am

Altar Care:	Joan & Harold Strawbridge	10:30 am Linda Stevens
Asst Min:	Matt Missimer	Bruce Burt
Lector:	Gary Sarpem	Kelly Grant
Usher/Greet:	Bob Pindle	Scott Heath
Usher/Greet:	Karen Pindle	Will Heath
Acolyte:	Jack Weist	Kara Hillestad
Lock-up:	Mike Huffman	

Snacks for PACS

The Pennsylvania Center for Adapted Sports (PCAS) provides an outlet for recreational and competitive sports activities for persons with disabilities. Their Cinco de Mayo Ride/Walk fundraiser is expected to have 400 participants. There is a mid-race rest stop where participants can grab a snack. St. Paul's was asked if we would help support the event by providing baked goods for the event. Cookies, brownies, cupcakes, and other treats are welcome. Baked goods can be dropped off in the Coffee Fellowship Room off the narthex of St. Paul's between 8:00-10:00 am on **Saturday, May 6**. We need to let the organizers know how many baked goods will be coming for planning purposes. Please [click here to sign up](#) or sign up at StPaulsLionville.org/Events. Please email jennifer.pindle@verizon.net with questions.



Baptism We will celebrate the joy and love of Holy Baptism for Landon Cruz Mortzfield, son of Corey and Jennifer Mortzfield, on Sunday, April 23.



Visioning Process Survey As part of our Visioning Process to seek God's plan for the future, our visioning team [has created this survey](#). It will only take a few minutes to complete, but it's vital that the team hear your feedback about where you feel God is leading us! There is a box in the hallway for your completed paper surveys. Thanks so much!

Rare Birds: Author Tea Join our own Nancy Jane Newman as she and her son Scott tell us about their experiences on the road to publishing "The Very Small Adventures of Anne Katrine". A tea style lunch will be served **Tuesday, May 9**, at 11:30 am in the upstairs Social Hall. RSVP to karen@lammey.com by May 2.



College Grads

Share with the office your college graduate's name, picture, college, degree, area of study, and future plans by **Sunday, April 23**, for a spotlight feature in the May newsletter! Please send photo and details to Marisa@StPaulsLionville.org.

“The Church” Bible Study is a six-week bible study on “the church” and began on [Sunday, April 16](#). We all have experience with church, but it can be very helpful to learn about and study some of the Biblical foundations of what church is really all about. This class will be especially helpful as St. Paul’s looks to the future in our Visioning Process. The Bible passages we study will help us stay faithful to what Jesus and the early church taught and learned about being church. The class will meet from 9:15-10:15 am in room 204 on the second floor. We hope you can attend to grow in faith and share with others!

Community Yard Sale We are having another Community Yard Sale in May! Please mark your calendars and start putting aside any books, games, toys, and household items you’d like to donate to this year’s community yard sale. The date is [Saturday, May 6](#), at the home of Tilly and Dick Hujak, 202 Allen Drive, Exton, in the Marchwood development. Proceeds from the sale will benefit the Syrian earthquake disaster relief. Unsold items will go to Vietnam Veterans of America and Habitat for Humanity Resale Store. Your donations can be dropped off anytime after Easter. Just call ahead at 610-363-6898.



Kids Clothing Drive Start your spring cleaning with your dressers and closets by donating your new and/or gently used clothing to benefit Cradles to Crayons! They are accepting shirts, jeans, pants, shorts, sweatshirts, sweatpants, pajamas, dresses, skirts, coats, hats, gloves, winter boots, *new* socks, and gently used shoes. Please do not donate clothing with school names. Drop off donations in the airlock at St. Paul’s no later than [Sunday, May 7](#). Thank you!



Annual Reading Phillies Trip St. Paul’s is excited to hold our annual trip to the Reading Phillies on [Saturday, June 17](#). The game starts at 6:45pm and will end with a Mega Blast Fireworks Show. It is also PSU football night with opportunities for photos and autographs with players.

Tickets are \$10.00 per person (if we get 20 attendees). Payment by check made payable to Anne Wiest is due no later than [Sunday, April 30](#). Payment can be put in the Council President’s mailbox at St. Paul’s.

Please enter your email address in the notes section when you sign up so any updates can be shared with you: [sign up here](#).

Lutheran Night at the Phillies The Phils should be exciting this year, fresh off their World Series appearance in 2022. Catch the action and help fund SEPA Synod Youth Programs by buying tickets to Lutheran Night at the Phillies, [Saturday, May 20](#), at 4:05 pm against the Chicago Cubs.

Ordering your tickets is simple! Visit [Phillies.com/Lutheran](#). Use the password: LUTHERAN. Then select from available tickets.

Please contact Shannon Profy in the Phillies Sales Office at 215-218-5465 with any questions.

If anyone is interested in ordering tickets to sit as a group, please contact the church office.

Rejoicing Spirits

The next Rejoicing Spirits service is scheduled for [Sunday, May 14](#), at 4:00 pm. Experience an amazing worship service where we have meaningful messages, lots of music, and a “no shushing” policy. All are welcome! Stay after for fellowship and refreshments.

YOUTH INFORMATION

THE NEXT HIGH SCHOOL 'OASIS' (AND LAST ONE BEFORE SUMMER) will be next [Saturday, April 29](#), from 7:00-8:45 pm at St. Paul’s. We will have a special send-off for our group’s high school seniors, so please plan to come if you are able!

OUR NEXT APPALACHIA SERVICE PROJECT MEETING will be on [Sunday, May 7](#), although the location and time are still TBD. We will find out our work crews AND where our work center will be for this coming summer’s ASP workweek.

CALLING ALL YOUTH - DON'T MISS OUR APRIL 23 YOUTH LASER TAG AND MINI GOLF SESSION! All 6th through 12th graders are invited to join us on [Sunday, April 23](#), for an afternoon of fun at Grand Slam in Malvern. We will meet at St. Paul’s at **2:00 pm** to carpool to Grand Slam, returning to St. Paul’s parking lot by **5:00 pm**. Cost is \$15 per person. Sign up here to join our group: [April 23 Youth Laser Tag](#).

THERE WILL BE A YOUTH PROTECTION POLICY TRAINING SESSION AT ST. PAUL'S on [Sunday, April 30](#), from 11:45-12:45 pm in the upstairs Fellowship Hall. YPP training is required for all adults who work with youth or children. If you haven't been trained within the past 18 months and are planning to participate in ministries such as VBS, ASP, or Sunday School, please consider attending. Sign up at this link: [April Youth Protection Policy Training](#).

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

Bear Creek Summer Camp With the warm weather we are having, it's a good time to start thinking about Summer camp. First and second graders can participate in the half week "Try Camp" program for first-time campers and the older kids have a full week program. Siblings are eligible for a \$50 discount. Summer Family Camp and Artist's Retreat weeks also offered!

[Click here for information.](#)

[Click here to register.](#)



Contemporary Issues/Christian Perspectives Class meets on Sundays at 9:30 am on the second floor in 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.

Prayer Team If you would like to be part of the prayer team who is contacted when immediate prayer is needed, please contact the church office or PastorStuart@StPaulsLionville.org. Also, if you have an immediate need for prayer, please don't hesitate to contact the church office or Pastor Stuart!

Coffee Fellowship Help The volunteer list to sign up to provide snacks and prepare coffee on Sundays is online via Signup Genius. Sign up with a friend or with a church group! Sign up in the narthex or online at StPaulsLionville.org/hostfellowship. Have



Simpson Meadows Bible Study meets Tuesday evenings at 7:00 pm at Simpson Meadows, 101 Plaza Drive in Downingtown. We study multi-week biblical-themed videos followed by a discussion of the video relating it to today's world. We are currently viewing the video series "The Last Days of Jesus". Six commentators present insight into events in the life of Jesus leading up to his crucifixion and resurrection. All sessions are independent and can be joined at any time without viewing the earlier sessions. We meet in the second-floor lounge of Simpson Meadows. Front-desk check-in is required. All St. Paul's members are welcome to join this study.

Text Communication Starting Soon In the near future, St. Paul's will be adding the ability to communicate with the congregation through text messages. If you prefer not to receive these messages, please just respond with "Stop."



Shorti Wawa Coupons for Sale! We have discount Wawa shorti hoagie coupons in the office. Cost is \$5 per coupon. Stop by and see Cari or Marisa.

Annual Free Shred Event Thrivent Community - Pickering Group is hosting its annual free shred event on **Saturday, May 6**, from 9:00-11:00 am in the Thrivent Office Parking Lot located at 300 N. Pottstown Pike in Exton, PA.

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



HANDBELL FESTIVAL
FEATURING:

*Central Presbyterian Church, Downingtown
Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, Coatesville
Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, Wilmington
St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Lionville*

**LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD
(FELLOWSHIP HALL)
107 S. 17TH AVE
COATESVILLE, PA 19320**

**SATURDAY, MAY 13, 2023
6:30 PM**

Doors open at 6:00.
All are welcome to attend this special event!

2023 Giving	For Operating Expenses YTD	Giving 4/16 - \$ 19,860	2023 Target
\$ 136,236	28%		\$ 490,622

YTD Budgeted Income: \$ 150,961 YTD Shortage: \$ 14,725

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](#).

St. Paul's Vacation Bible School!

Registration for Vacation Bible School (VBS) is here!
It will be an awesome week of games, learning, music and crafts.

Dates: Monday, July 24 - Friday, July 28

Time: 9:00 am - Noon
(Friday there will be a show by the kids at noon; guests welcome!)



Location: St Paul's Lutheran Church, 104 S. Village Avenue, Exton

Ages: Must be at least 4 years old by 1/1/2023 up to 4th grade (completed 2022-23 school year)

Cost: \$45/student (\$35 for siblings)

Registration Deadline: July 9, 2023 (payment must also be received by this date to secure a spot)

How to Register: You may fill out a physical form (available in the narthex) and make payments as indicated below *OR* you may fill out [this Google form](#) and follow the same payment information below.

Payment: To pay for VBS, please [go to this link](#) and click the "Give Online" button. In the "To" dropdown on the upper right, select "Special" and then below in the "Note/Memo" field, please add, "VBS".

Payment can also be made with cash or check made payable to St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Please pay in person or mail your check to St. Paul's at 104 S. Village Ave., Exton, PA, 19341. Please list "VBS" and the name(s) of your child(ren) in the memo on the check.



Deadline: All payments are due by July 9, 2023, to secure your child(ren)'s spot.

Financial assistance is available for families in need. Please [contact the church office](#).



Volunteers Needed!

Kids who have completed 5th grade and older may volunteer. We are also seeking adults who are interested in volunteering. Many positions are available. You can register as a volunteer using [this Google form](#) or fill out a physical form (available in the narthex).

Spread the Word!

Know someone who might be interested in attending or volunteering?
Share this link with them: <https://www.StPaulsLionville.org/vbs>

