

This Week at St. Paul's Lutheran Church

November 5, 2023

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THIS WEEK (November 5-11, 2023)

Sun, 5:	7:30 am	Early Praise Choir (Sanc.)
	8:00	Traditional Worship Service
	9:15	Sunday School (Sanc./FH)
	9:15	6th-8th Grade Confirmation Meeting (Pars.)
	9:15	Animate: Bible Adult Class (204)
	9:30	Contemp. Issues/Christian Persp. (208)
10:30	Contemporary Worship Service	
	7:00 pm	Confirmation Team Meeting (Zoom)
	7:00	New Members Class (110)
Mon, 6:	1:00 pm	Knitters (110)
	7:00	BSA 216 Meeting (FH)
Tue, 7:	10:00 am	Staff Meeting (110)
	6:30 pm	Executive Committee Meeting (Zoom)
Wed, 8:	11:00 am	Crafters (Pars.)
	6:15 pm	Worship Team Rehearsal (Sanc.)
	6:30	Parent Support Group (FH)
	7:30	Jubilant Bells Rehearsal (Sanc.)
Thu, 9:	8:00 am	Amigos (Pars.)
	9:30	Medicare Open Enrollment (112)
	6:15 pm	Voice of the Spirit Rehearsal (Choir Room)
	7:30	Kingdom Choir Rehearsal (Sanc.)
Fri, 10:	5:30 pm	Youth Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser
Sat, 4:		

WORSHIP At St. Paul's This Sunday!

Everyone is welcome! If you prefer, worship online at 8:00 am (traditional) or 10:30 am (contemporary): click on [Worship Online](#) or visit StPaulsLionville.org

Our Prayer List

We pray for Cheryl, Madi, Bodie, Carl, Delores, Melissa, Jim, Maureen, Joanna, Lucas, Judy, Terri, Bill H., Tom, Stanley, Bill T., Mark, Steven, Sandy L., Mary, Kelly, Rick, William, Brett, Amy, Jan, Pat, Marlene, Nancy, Garnet, Chip, Sandy F., Alice, and Jean. We lift up Daniel, Zach, Alistar, and Chris in the military. Contact the office to add a name to the prayer list.



Volunteers

	8:00 am	10:30 am
<i>Altar Care:</i>	Dan Shallow	Linda Stevens
<i>Assisting Minister:</i>	Gary Sarpen	Julie Sanders
<i>Lector:</i>	Gary Sarpen	Bruce Burt
<i>Usher/Greeter:</i>	John Ward	Sue McIlvaine
<i>Usher/Greeter:</i>	Matt Missimer	Bryon Wornson
<i>Acolyte:</i>	Carly Shallow	Luke Teague
<i>Lock-up:</i>		Mike Huffman

Visit StPaulsLionville.org/volunteers for volunteer schedule.

Youth Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

Buy your tickets on Sunday morning for the Youth Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser on **Friday, November 10!** The event will be held in the Christian Life Center (CLC) of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, 2440 Conestoga Road, Chester Springs. Seatings are from 5:30-7:00 pm and 7:00-8:30 pm. Meals are \$10/adult, \$5/child (12 and under), and \$30/family. Come and enjoy a delicious meal and fellowship and take the night off from cooking!



Celebration Theme and Luncheon

We will begin our annual stewardship emphasis with the theme of "Celebrating the Past, Present, and Future!" this **Sunday, November 5**. St. Paul's has so much to be thankful for! After some rough years, especially with the pandemic, things are going well! People are gathering back at worship, new folks are joining, and we have a new Vision for the future! God has indeed been good to St. Paul's in the past and we trust God will continue to bless us in the future! As the series comes to end, we have a Celebration Luncheon on **Sunday, November 19**, after the one 9:30 am combined worship service and brief congregational meeting. St. Paul's will provide fried chicken, but we would request you bring a tasty side dish or dessert to share. You can RSVP and sign up for food [at this link](#) or by visiting StPaulsLionville.org/events.



Early Praise

On **Sunday, November 5**, a group of early birds will meet at 7:30 am to prepare an anthem to be sung at the 8:00 am Traditional Worship Service that day. This ensemble does not require an ongoing commitment or advance preparation. If you would like to receive reminders and preview the music, please email Director of Music, Lyndsey Holmes (Lyndsey@StPaulsLionville.org).



Thanksgiving Interfaith Prayer Service for Peace

This year the service, hosted by the Interfaith Action Community, will be on **Sunday, November 19**, at 7:00 pm at Beth Israel Synagogue, 385 Pottstown Pike, Chester Springs. The service will include a few short meditations on peace from different faith traditions. Please bring a canned or boxed food to contribute to a local food pantry as our "offering" for the evening. We hope you can attend and celebrate!

Medicare Open Enrollment is October 15-December 7.

All Medicare beneficiaries should check their coverage during this time as prescription formularies and premiums can change each year. Checking your coverage ensures that you have the best plan for you. You can check your coverage online at Medicare.gov or meet with a PA MEDI Volunteer Counselor. [Click here](#) to sign up with a PA MEDI Counselor at St. Paul's Lutheran Church on **Thursday, November 9 or November 16**, or visit StPaulsLionville.org/events. Please bring Medicare cards, insurance cards, and a list of medications.

To meet with a PA MEDI Counselor at a local library or senior center, call 610-344-5004.



Thanksgiving Food Drive The Social Ministry

Committee is collecting Thanksgiving food baskets for those in need in and around the Care Center Foundation in West Chester. Our goal is to fill 100 baskets. If you are able to help, [click here](#) or visit StPaulsLionville.org/events to sign up.

Here's what goes into a complete family dinner box:

- 2 cans green beans
- 2 cans corn
- 2 boxes mac and cheese
- 1 box mashed potatoes (13.5 oz.)
- 2 jars turkey gravy
- 2 boxes stuffing
- 1 jar applesauce (large)
- 2 cans cranberry sauce
- 1 cake mix and can cake frosting



Thanksgiving
Food Drive

Your box can be dropped off at the church in the air-lock area through **Sunday, November 12**, Monday-Friday after 1:00 pm or anytime on the weekend. Ideally, food should arrive packed in a copier paper type box, but any size will do.

We are also accepting cash donations for turkeys. You can make a check out to St. Paul's with "Turkey Donation" in the notes and mail to the church.

If you want to help with filling a food basket but don't want to shop, \$25 will cover the cost for a full dinner box. Please put your check in an envelope marked "Food Box Donation" and mail to the church or drop in the offering plate.

Thank you for helping to support this worthwhile effort.

Leftover Halloween Candy? If you have leftover Halloween candy you would like to donate, you can include it in your Thanksgiving box.



Pie Sale Fundraiser Let Social Ministry make your Thanksgiving preparations easier!

Social Ministry is selling Thanksgiving pies to raise money for the kitchen renovation and Fellowship Hall upgrades. Pumpkin and apple pies are available for \$20 each. Orders must be placed and paid for by **Sunday, November 12**. Please give your payment (checks made payable to St. Paul's are preferred) to Anne or Kyle Wiest or place in the council president's mailbox. Pies will be available for pick up before and after church on **Sunday, November 19**. [Click here to place your order online](#). Don't miss out on this delicious and easy way to support our church!



Flannel Sheets Needed Social Ministry is in need of used or new flannel sheets to make diapers for Lutheran World Relief Baby Care Kits. Each kit contains four diapers and the quality of purchased diapers has declined while the price has soared. LWR has suggested cutting diapers from flannel sheets. Place your sheets in the bin in the hallway marked Quilts/Sheets.



Boxes Desperately Needed Please start saving boxes for the Thanksgiving Food Drive. Ideally, we're looking for copier paper boxes with lids that you find in an office. Having boxes that are all the same size makes it a lot easier for us to fill, stack, and deliver. As you get them, please bring them to the church and we will store them until needed. If you purchase a complete Thanksgiving dinner, bringing the items in a copier paper box with a lid would also be helpful. Thank you for your help!



Rejoicing Spirirts

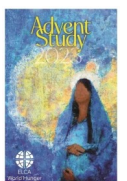
The next Rejoicing Spirirts service is on **Sunday, November 12**, at 4:00 pm. Experience an amazing worship service where we have meaningful messages, lots of music, and a "no shushing" policy. All are welcome! Stay for fellowship and refreshments after.

"Our Daily Bread" Booklets

contain inspirational daily devotions and are available in the narthex for December-February.



Advent Materials The first Sunday of Advent at St. Paul's will be **Sunday, November 26**. Advent calendars, study guides, and Good Gifts catalogs from ELCA World Hunger are available in the hallway off the narthex. You can download these materials from the ELCA website as well.



YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

THE MANIA! TRIP TO URBAN AIR has been rescheduled for [Sunday, November 12](#), from 1:00-3:00 pm. All 6th-8th graders are welcome to come and are encouraged to invite a friend! The cost is \$20 per person and covers pizza, a pair of Urban Air jumping socks, and two hours' use of the facility. Sign up here to be part of the fun: [November 12 MANIA! Friendsgiving at Urban Air](#).

APPALACHIA SERVICE PROJECT - Our annual work week with ASP will be [Saturday, June 22, through Saturday, June 29, 2024](#). All current 7th-12th graders are welcome to join us for a meaningful week of memorable fun and eye-opening experiences as we travel once more the Central Appalachia to help make people's homes safer, warmer, and drier. Registration is open now; for information, contact Craig Miller at CraigYouthMin@gmail.com.

A SPECIAL INVITATION FROM WALTER CROUCH, CEO OF APPALACHIA SERVICE PROJECT - A special presentation is being offered on [Thursday, November 16](#), beginning at 7:30 pm at Sts. Simon and Jude Roman Catholic Church in West Chester. The current CEO of ASP will be speaking about current projects and ministries, ongoing impacts of the flood events in Kentucky and West Virginia, and plans for the organization's future. If you would like to attend and learn more about this wonderful outreach, please RSVP to Janice.Torretta@ASPHome.org.

SPAGHETTI DINNER HELP NEEDED - All youth and their families are encouraged to sign up to help with our [Friday, November 10](#), Spaghetti Dinner Youth Fundraiser. There are lots of ways to support this event, such as selling tickets on Sunday mornings, helping with setup and cleanup, and of course helping during the event itself. Please look at this [Spaghetti Dinner Help Signup Genius](#) page and think which of these jobs you and your family can do, and don't hesitate to choose multiple roles - as long as they don't pose a time conflict! We also need food donations. If you are absolutely unable to help on the evening of the dinner, this is a great alternative way to support the event and help it succeed. The list of needed items is here: [Food for Spaghetti Dinner](#). Again, you are more than welcome to sign up for multiple items, whether from the same category or across the board!

Vacation Bible School Save the Date! Vacation Bible School will be held Monday-Friday, July 22-26, 2024!

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!



Bible Apps One of the very best Bible apps is YouVersion. It's available on the computer, Android, and iPhone and contains multiple Bible versions. It has the ability to read scripture to you and to connect you with friends to see their comments and share your own. You will find multiple reading plans and can view and create Bible images. No wonder it's been loaded on a quarter of a billion devices! You might want to use it as well to bless your growth in Scripture!



Crafters The Crafters meet Wednesdays at 11:00 am in the Parsonage for fellowship and to work on various projects. They are currently sewing baby blankets for LWR Baby Bundles and are eagerly looking for more help. No experience needed!

Downingtown Good Neighbor Christmas Parade

St. Paul's will participate in Downingtown's Good Neighbor Christmas Parade on [Saturday, December 9](#), at 3:00 pm. If you would like to help with the pre-parade decorations and handouts, please email Jenn Pindle Lloyd at jennifer.pindle@verizon.net. Look for a sign-up closer to the event to participate in walking in the parade!



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



Sharing St. Paul's Pictures Many have noted and enjoyed the St. Paul's pictures showing in the narthex. If you take any pictures of a St. Paul's event and would like to share them, you can upload them to StPaulsLionville.org/sharepictures. Thanks so much!



Shorti Wawa Coupons for Sale! We have discount Wawa Shorti hoagie coupons in the office that support St. Paul's Preschool. Cost is \$5 per coupon. Stop by and see Marisa or Cari.



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



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](#).