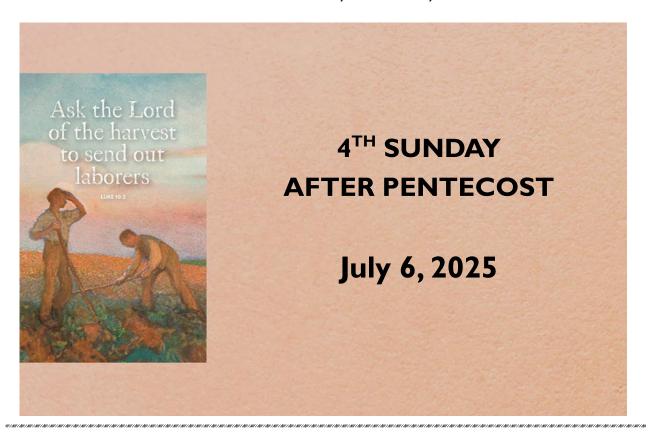
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WELCOME TO ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH!

If you are seeking a faith community, exploring faith, desire to be a part of our ministries, or have questions; please feel free to speak with the pastor.

Our Purpose:

We are called through Christ to praise God and love generously.

Guiding Principles:

As instruments of God's love, when you see us at our best you will see us:

- -Generously stewarding God's gifts of resources, time, and talents
- -Serving as God's hands & feet in ministries & missions of outreach to all
- -Providing for the care of God's people, both physically and spiritually
- -Growing in Faith through worship, study, and discernment
- -Praising God through music, word, and service
- -Welcoming all people into fellowship with God

Important Worship Notes

All liturgies are printed within this bulletin.

Children's activity bags and children's bulletins are located on the podium in the hallway on the pulpit side of the sanctuary. Children's activity bags are also located on the coat rack behind the door of the choir loft side of the sanctuary.

P: Pastor

C: Congregation L: Lay Reader A: Assisting Minister

If you are communing, please be sure to fill out a communion record card, for our church records, and place it in the offering plate. Thank you.

+ 4TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST + July 6, 2025

INTRODUCTION

God is the source of our nourishment. Jesus' invitation to "take and eat ... take and drink" is a repeated one. In holy communion, in the word read and proclaimed, in the assembly of the people of God, the dominion of God has come near. Rejoice! Your name is written in heaven.

THE GATHERING

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God.

you free us to love others, but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way. You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace, but we turn away from the abundant life you offer. You surround us with patience, kindness, and generosity, but we grow weary in doing what is right. In your mercy, forgive us. Do not give up on us. Heal us, break our bonds, and show us the path of life.

Amen.

You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of ⊕ Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven.

Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation.

C Amen.



*GREETING

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

*HYMN OF PRAISE



- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
- 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for ev er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
- 3 Ho-ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth: Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove; Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise. on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand. Je-sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa-ther's splen-dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise. Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand. For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus, you are the city that shelters us, the mother who comforts us. With your Spirit accompany us on our life's journey, that we may spread your peace in all the world, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C Amen.

THE WORD

FIRST READING Isaiah 66:10-14

Those who returned from the exile found that the hopes for the glorious restoration of Judah were not completely fulfilled. For these disappointed people, the prophet envisions salvation in the image of a nursing woman. Mother Jerusalem and a mothering God remind the community how they are sustained and supported.

- The First Reading according to Isaiah 66:10-14

 10 Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her—11 that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom. 12 For thus says the LORD: I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm, and dandled on her knees. 13 As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

 14 You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be known that the hand of the LORD is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies.
- C Thanks be to God.

The word of the Lord.

THE PSALM Psalm 66:1-9 read responsively

- A ¹Be joyful in God, all you lands; be joyful, all the earth.
- C ² Sing the glory of God's name; sing the glory of God's praise.
 - ³ Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! Because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you.
 - ⁴ All the earth bows down before you, sings to you, sings out your name."
 - ⁵ Come now and see the works of God, how awesome are God's deeds toward all people.
 - ⁶ God turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the water on foot, and there we rejoiced in God.
 - ⁷ Ruling forever in might, God keeps watch over the nations; let no rebels exalt themselves.
 - ⁸ Bless our God, you peoples; let the sound of praise be heard.
 - ⁹ Our God has kept us among the living and has not allowed our feet to slip. Holy wisdom, holy word.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING Galatians 6:7-16

In the close of his letter to the Galatians, Paul encourages them to live as people made right with God through faith in Jesus Christ. Here Paul offers practical advice about how believers exercise common concern for one other in "the family of faith."

L The Second Reading according to Galatians 6:7-16

⁷ Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. ⁸ If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. ⁹ So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. ¹⁰ So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith. ¹¹ See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! ¹² It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. ¹³ Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. ¹⁴ May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. ¹⁵ For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! ¹⁶ As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav-ing word.



Let it burn like fire with-in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

Jesus commissions harvesters and laborers to go where he would go and do what he would do. Risking hardship and danger in exchange for the experience of great joy, they offer peace and healing as signs that the reign of God is near.

- P The Holy Gospel according to Luke 10:1-11, 16-20
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ²He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³ Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. 4 Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. 5 Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' 6 And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. ⁷Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. 8 Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; 9 cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' 10 But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 11 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.' "16 "Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me." ¹⁷ The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" 18 He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. 19 See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. ²⁰ Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

The Gospel of the Lord.

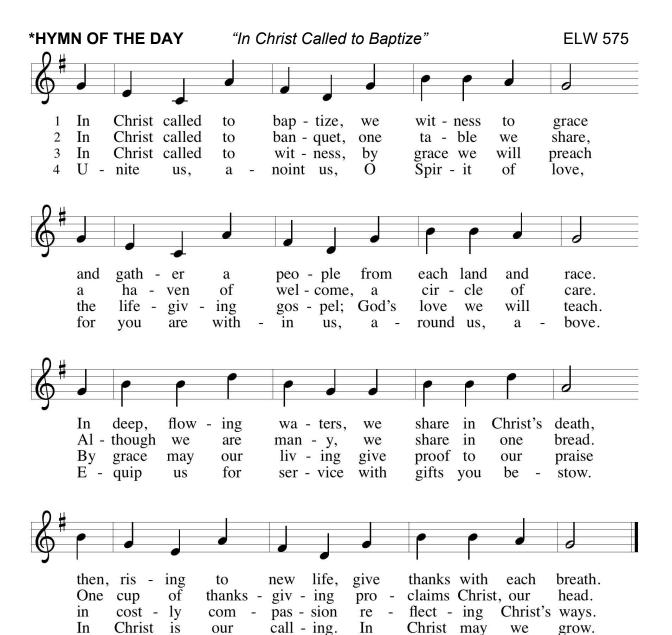
C Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Pastor Dan Yeiser

Following the Children's Sermon, Children and Children's Church leaders are dismissed to Children's Church and will return for the Sharing of the Peace.

SERMON Pastor Dan Yeiser



*APOSTLES' CREED

A Let us affirm our faith through the words of the Apostles' Creed.

C I believe in God. the Father almighty.

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;

he descended to the dead.*

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

A Drawn into the embrace of the holy Trinity, we lift our prayers for the wholeness of the church, the world, and all creation.

A brief silence.

You send your church into the world with a message of peace. Center the whole church in this peace, and strengthen our faith by the example of all those who creatively and faithfully proclaim your good news. God of grace,

C hear our prayer.

All the earth sings out your name. Inspire your people to drink deeply from the beauty of all your creation. When ecosystems are wounded, bring your healing. When our actions endanger the survival of other species, curb our greed and waste. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

You call us to work for the good of all. Give resolve to those who lead, that they do not grow weary in doing what is right. Guide them to seek peace between nations and freedom for all people. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

As a mother comforts her child, so you comfort us. Bring this comfort to those in any pain. Carry your people when grief is heavy, and lift burdens of shame and self-doubt. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Your harvest is plentiful, O God. Make us laborers and companions with one another in this assembly. Send your peace to rest upon us, heal divisions among us, and open our hearts to receive one another as gifts from you. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

You have written our names in heaven, O God, and we rejoice. We thank you for those who have lived and died in your love. Accompany us on our life's journey and draw us at last to life forever in you. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Gather all our prayers in your mercy, O God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say,
"Peace be with you," or similar words.
The assembly is seated.

THE MEAL

OFFERING

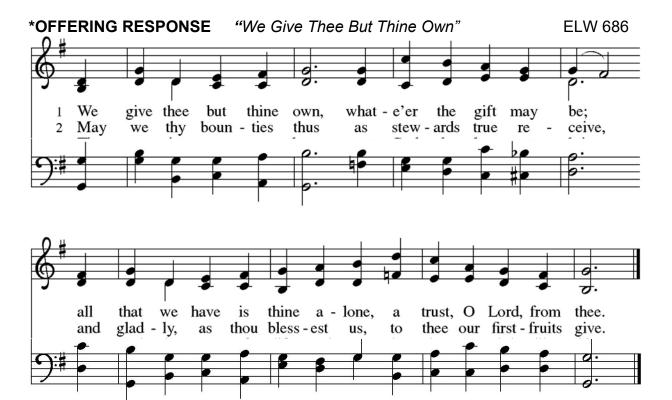
OFFERTORY SONG

"This Is My Song"

The Johnson Family

There are several ways of making your offerings to God during this time. One is to place your offering in our offering plates as they are passed. You can give electronically at https://stpaulsyorkst.org/give and when the plate passes by, you may simply meditate on the gifts that you are currently making online or monthly. We do have cards that you can put in the plate indicating that you give electronically. A supply of those cards is available at each entrance to the sanctuary.

If you are not able to give monetarily during this time, know that your prayers and praise are a pleasing offering to God. If you can give a little more during this time, please consider doing so as a way of supporting your fellow disciples who are not able to.



*OFFERTORY PRAYER

- P Let us pray,
 - Merciful Father,
- C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love.

 Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

*DIALOGUE

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*PREFACE

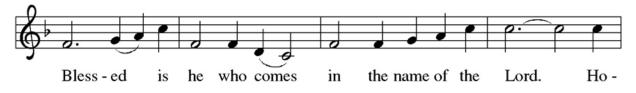
P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

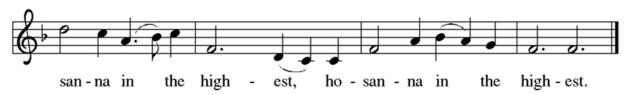






heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.





*THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

C Amen.

*LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray...

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

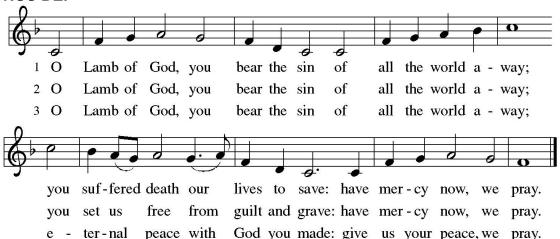
*INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Come to the banquet, for all in now ready.

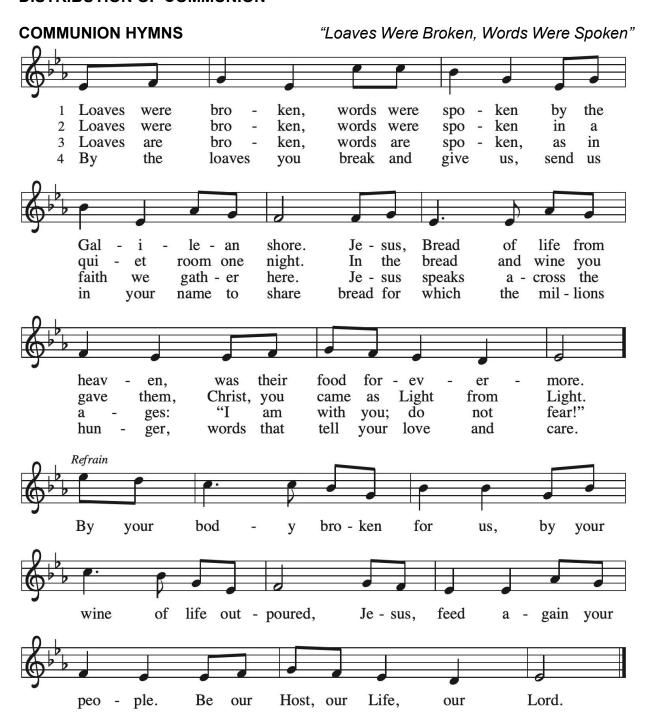
All are welcome to commune.

If you wish to receive communion from your seat, please let an usher know.
Gluten free wafers and grape juice are also available.

*AGNUS DEI



DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION





*POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen.

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Let us pray.

Parenting God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name.

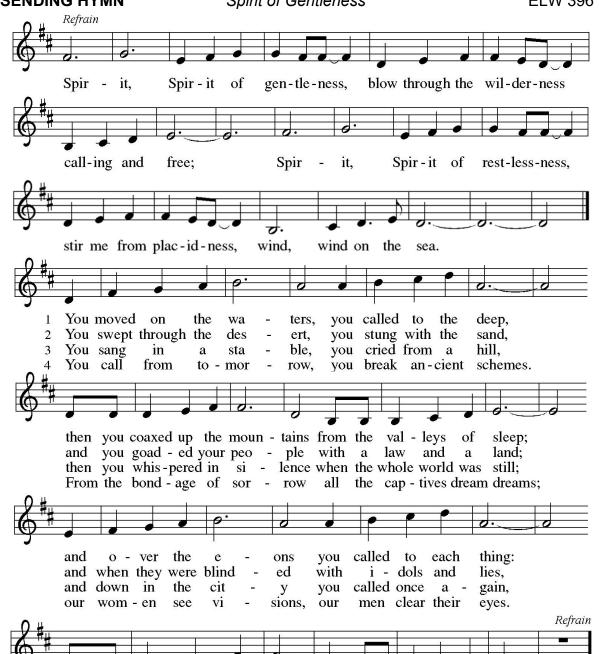
C Amen.

*BLESSING

P The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit + bless you and give you peace.

C Amen.





"A - wake from your slum - bers and rise on your wings." then you spoke through your proph - ets to o - pen their eyes. when you blew through your peo - ple on the rush of the wind. With . . . bold new de - ci - sions your peo-ple a - rise.

*DISMISSAL

- A Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.
- C We are called through Christ to praise God and love generously. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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July 6 July 13 Saturday night Worship Pastor Dan Yeiser (7/5) Russ Kaltreider (7/12) **Assisting Minister:** Gretchen Walter Bill Sowers Acolyte: Matthew Kaltreider Jocelyn Fissel Lay Reader: Jon Shaw **Betty Sheets Communion Distributors** Cindy Schmidt Russ Kaltreider Sally Lovelace Maureen Kaltreider Michael Kelly Michael Kelly **Ushers:** Sharon Kelly Sharon Kelly Altar: Amy Feeser Amy Feeser Suzanne Feeser Suzanne Butler

BOTH ALTAR FLOWER VASES are sponsored to the glory of God and in memory of my mother, Pauline Kessler, and my sister, Sylvia Kessler Marsh, by Nancy Kessler Grove

JOIN US FOR COFFEE HOUR down the hall in the church lounge immediately following the 9:30 Worship Service. If no one volunteers to bring snacks we will only serve coffee. There is a sign-up sheet in the lounge for folks to volunteer. Coffee makers would start the coffee around 9 a.m. (coffee training available on request). Both coffee and snack volunteers would help with set up and clean up. If you have questions, see Russ Kaltreider. Thank you for your help!

JULY'S DESIGNATED GIVING - THE LUTHERAN CAMPING CORPORATION OF CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA - St. Paul's Members and Friends....this month our designated giving targets The Lutheran Camping Corp. of Central PA (LutheranCamping.org). The Lutheran Camping Corp. includes both Nawakwa in Arendtsville, PA and Kirchenwald in Lebanon, PA. We have the opportunity to support the Lutheran Camping Corp. with our Special Designated Giving this July. Please assist these wonderful camps with prayers and generous giving!

^{*} Stand if you are able

PASTOR DAN CONTINUES TO OFFER MID-WEEK DEVOTIONS ON WEDNESDAY

from 12:15 – 12:35 pm. This brief service consists of prayer, scripture reading and silent meditation. All are welcome to join us at 12:15 pm in the church lounge.

RESIGNATION OF MIKE BUCKLEY - It is with regret that we announce the resignation of our Maintenance Technician, Mike Buckley, effective June 26th. After almost three years of employment here at St. Paul's, Mike has been recruited by his previous employer for a special two-year assignment, with challenges and compensation that Mike could not turn down. There is no way to express our appreciation for the depth of knowledge and experience Mike has brought to the maintenance position, his pleasant personality and talents will be missed. We wish Mike success and fulfillment in his new adventure.

Moving forward, we are recruiting for a new Maintenance Technician. This position will continue to be a 15-hour a week position and requires extensive technical skills. More details will be sent to you via emails and postings. (see page 22 of this bulletin)

WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO HELP BEAUTIFY THE OUTDOOR AREAS around the church building. We have bright red geraniums, donated for Pentecost, in boxes in the alcove on the front side of the church that would look lovely planted in the border beds. The beds themselves are also in need of weeding, and the shrubbery need a good trim. If you would be interested in volunteering to take on one (or all) of these tasks, please let Peg Sennett or someone on the property committee know. Thank you!

SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE: Please contact Carmen Buckley in the church office or at <u>assistant@stpaulsyorkst.org</u>

Radio-July 20 & 27 (\$60 per date or any portion you desire per date)

Altar Flowers-July 13, 20 & 27 (2 vases at \$20 each)

Communion Bread and Wine-July 20 & 27 (\$12 each date)

Worship Bulletins-July 20 & 27 (\$20 each date)

Eternal Flame-July 13, 20 & 27 (\$10 each date)

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS – please call before coming into the office to be sure someone is there. Carmen, our Administrative Assistant, has Physical Therapy appointments for the next several weeks. THANK YOU

SAVE THE DATE! God's Work Our Hands Sunday will be held on Sunday, September 7! There will be a special worship, service projects, ministry fair, Faith Formation kickoff, and fellowship luncheon. Look for sign-up sheets soon!

THE ST. PAUL'S BOOK CLUB is having local author Buffy Andrews from York, PA come and speak to the group on Wednesday, July 30, 2025 at 6:30pm at the home of Cindy Selby. Buffy will talk about her book <u>Then Came Hope</u> and her newest published book. The group will meet at Church at 6:00 and car pool to Cindy's house. If you are interested in attending this or have any questions, please contact Janet Haack.

SISTERS IN FAITH...mark your calendars! Our annual retreat will be at Mar-Lu-Ridge on October 10-12.

JOB OPENING -- MAINTENANCE MECHANIC

Position Overview:

St Paul's is a vibrant, active congregation, offering a friendly, supportive, flexible, Christian work environment. Maintenance Mechanic is a 15-20 hour per week positon. Work schedule is flexible. As available, is on call 24/7 for issues relating to assigned job functions.

Candidate will possess appropriate experience repairing and maintaining facility, equipment and grounds; will be proficient in use of hand tools, small power tools, cleaning equipment/supplies, and lawn/grounds equipment; can perform minor facility equipment: proficient repairs church and will be Word/Excel/PowerPoint for the purpose of maintaining records and communicating with staff and vendors. Requires excellent multi-tasking skills.

For more information, a detailed Job Description is posted on the church bulletin board across from the Pastor's office.

PERSONS INTERESTED IN THIS POSITION should send a cover letter and include education, employment history with duties and salary, to St. Paul's Lutheran, 127 York St., Hanover Pa 17331, or email to assistant@stpaulsyorkst.org.

SUN., JULY 6 Immediately following	8:30 am 9:30 am ig Worship	Radio Broadcast – 95.3 FM & 1280 AM Worship Service – 4 th Sunday after Pentecost Coffee Hour – Lounge
WED., JULY 9	12:15 pm	Midweek Devotions – Lounge
THUR., JULY 10	7:00 pm	Boy Scout Troop 102 – Youth Room & Gym
FRI., JULY 11	3:00 pm	Grocery Ministry prep – Gym
SAT., JULY 12	9:00 am 5:00 pm 6:15 pm	Grocery Ministry – Boy Scout Troop 102 Saturday Evening Worship Service – lounge Narcotics Anonymous – Fellowship Hall
SUN., JULY 13 Immediately following	8:30 am 9:30 am ng Worship	Radio Broadcast – 95.3 FM & 1280 AM Worship Service – 5 th Sunday after Pentecost Coffee Hour – Lounge



Vacation Bible School

Monday, July 28 – Friday August 1 9:30 am to 12 noon

Bible Stories Include:

Day 1 - Garden of Eden

Day 2 - The Parable of the Sower

Day 3 – Vine and Branches

Day 4 – Jesus Prays in Garden

Day 5 – The Risen Christ in the Garden

Open to all children Kindergarten through 6th Grade

Register online at <u>https://stpaulsyorkst.org/vbs-registration</u>
or by calling 717-637-8904
Space is limited

This VBS is a cooperative Ministry between St. Mark Hanover and St. Paul (York St.) Hanover.

Hosted at St. Mark, 129 Charle Street, Hanover



God's work. Our hands. September 7, 2025

Special Worship
Service Projects & Ministry Fair
Faith Formation Kick-off
Fellowship Meal

