

***St. Paul's Happenings
and Reminders***

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Worship Opportunities

Please share with friends and family - all are welcome! Links can also be found on our website here: <https://stpaulsyorkst.org/>.

Saturday 5:00 pm in the Lounge

Sunday 9:30 am in the Sanctuary and live on

Wednesday 12:15 Devotions in the Lounge

Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/stpaulsyorkst>

News

Pastor Jason is on vacation this week, **7/19 – 7/25**. Please contact Pastor Dan Yeiser for any emergencies. Pastor Dan may be reached at pdyeiser06@gmail.com or 717-634-4025.

New Church Directory

We are pleased to announce that arrangements have been made with United Church Directories to develop and publish a new church directory for St. Paul's.

The dates for photos to be taken are Wednesday, September 16 and Thursday, September 17 from 2:00 till 8:30 each day.

We are signing up people after worship services in the hall outside of the lounge area beginning this Sunday, July 19.

You can also sign up online from Monday mornings at 12:01 AM until Friday night at 11:59 PM. Website is www.ucdir.com. We will release the password this Sunday and our church code is **pa1283**.

More instructions are forthcoming.

We will continue to keep you posted.

Thank you,
Church Directory Task Force

Vacation Bible School

WE STILL NEED QUITE A FEW VOLUNTEERS WITH CLEARANCES FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2026 for children ages 5 – 10 on Monday, July 27 thru Friday, July 31 from 9:30 - 12:00 noon at St. Mark's Fellowship Hall and is a cooperative ministry of St. Paul's Lutheran Church (York Street) and St. Mark's Lutheran Church. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please call 717-637-5941 or email assistant@stpaulsyorkst.org. Please consider volunteering to help with this important community event.

Live Nativity Needs Animals!

The Evangelism Committee is searching for sheep, a donkey, and perhaps a calf for the Live Nativity on December 13. If you know someone who would have any of these animals available, please contact Lucille Farrington, Carmen, or Pastor Jason. Thank you! (Note: We are not looking for alpacas or llamas.)

St. Paul's Book Club

Will meet on **Wednesday, July 29, 2026** at 12:45 in the Conference Room. Our July book is The Demon of Unrest by Erik Larson. Bring your lunch and join us for food, fellowship and discussion. All readers are welcomed.

Christian Education Committee Meeting

July 29 for a lunch meeting following mid-week devotions.

Help Needed

Our Christian Education Committee is putting together teams of leaders for Faith Formation. We are looking for several people to facilitate the Adult Daily Disciples class as well as our PreK and K-5 weekly classes. All curriculum is already selected for you, and you would serve on a rotating basis (not needed every week). PA Clearances are needed to be able to work with children (and we can help you get them if you don't have them!). Please contact Deb Sowers (Chairperson) or the Church Office for more information.

Calling All Middle School Youth

Join Pastor Jason for **Alive!** at Camp Nawakwa, **September 25–27**. Spend a weekend making new friends, reconnecting with church friends, enjoying camp activities, and exploring your faith together. Alive! is a Synod-sponsored retreat, and thanks to the Adventures in Ministry Fund, the registration fee will be fully covered. Sign up on the sheet outside Pastor's office by August 1.

God's Work, Our Hands Sunday

As we prepare for God's Work, Ours Hands Sunday this September, we want to make sure everyone has a t-shirt! The t-shirt design has not changed from previous years. If you need a **new shirt** or have never received one, please sign up on the sheet outside Pastor's office. Be sure to indicate your size. Orders need to be placed by **August 1**.

Back To School Time Will Be Here Soon!

The Faith In Action Committee is looking to fill backpacks for LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF again this year.

Last year we had such a good response that we decided to try to fill 108 School Kits again. We had a lot of supplies left from last year that we will use this year but we do still need some items to fill the backpacks that we purchased.

We will start collecting these items in July and fill the backpacks in early September. Look for the collection boxes in the hallway. Watch for sales that will help you in your purchases.

Here is a list of items that we need;

- 432 - 70-80 sheet **SPIRAL** notebooks of wide or college lined paper approximately 8"X 10 1/2". **NO** loose leaf paper
- 53 - pencil sharpeners
- 107 - pair of blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)
- 344 - **unsharpened** #2 pencils with erasers
- 387 - black or blue ballpoint pens (**NO** gel ink)
- 101 - boxes of 16 or 24 crayons
- 31 – 2-1/2" eraser

We will try to keep you informed of what has come in and what is needed. We had so many rulers last year that we don't need any this year because we have enough left to fill this year's backpacks.

We thank you for your generosity and your help with this project over the years. We have made a difference in the lives of many children as well as adults around the world.

Pentecost Prayers

The candle and pinwheel displays in the front of the sanctuary represent where members of our congregation see LIGHT in our world and PRAYERS that we lift to heaven, asking the Spirit to intercede for us. Thanks be to God!

Summer Music Opportunity

As our music program takes a break for the summer months, we invite members of the congregation to share their musical gifts during worship. If you would be willing to provide special music, be it vocal or instrumental, solo or group; we ask you to please sign up on the sheet outside the pastor's office. Summer music is a meaningful way to enrich our worship and offer praise to God through the gifts given to the people in our congregation. Thank you for considering how you might participate in the life and worship of our congregation this summer.

Children Are Invited to Help Lead Worship!

Children are invited to help lead worship by opening the Prayer of the Day during Sunday services! This is a wonderful opportunity for our young people to share their voices and

participate in the life of the church. Children may **sign up on the sheet outside the pastor's office**. The prayer will be provided ahead of time, and we are happy to help any child who would like assistance practicing. We hope many of our children will take part in this meaningful way to serve in worship!

Each Monday

Children and families will receive a weekly email devotion (including a video and printable activities) from our Christian Education committee. Contact the church office if you are not sure if you are on our email mailing list.

Mid-Week Devotions

Pastor Jason continues to offer mid-week devotions on Wednesdays at 12:15 pm in the lounge. All are welcome!

Your Generosity Makes a Difference

Scan the QR code to give online and support the mission and ministries of our church. Thank you for being a blessing!



This Week's Calendar

THUR., July 23 7:00 pm Boy Scouts

FRI. JULY 24 2 :30 pm Grocery Ministry prep

SAT., JULY 25 9:00 am Grocery Ministry Distribution (St. Paul's help needed)

5:30 pm Saturday Evening Service

6:45 pm Narcotics Anonymous – Fellowship Hall

SUN., JULY 26 8:30 am Radio Broadcast – 95.3 FM & 1280 AM

9:30 am Worship Service

Immediately following worship: Coffee Hour - lounge

WED., JULY 29 12:15 Midweek Devotions
12:45 Book Club

Sponsorships Available:

Please contact Carmen Buckley in the church office or at

assistant@stpaulsyorkst.org

Radio- July 26, Aug. 2, 9, 16 & 30 (\$60 per date or any portion you desire per date)

Altar Flowers–Aug. 9 & 16 (2 vases at \$20 each)

Communion Bread and Wine-July 26, Aug. 9, 16 & 30 (\$12 each date)

Worship Bulletins-July 26, Aug. 16, 23 & 30 (\$20 each date)

Eternal Flame- July 26, Aug. 9, 23 & 30 (\$10 each date)

July Special 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!

Contacting Pastor Jason, Senior Pastor

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Office Hours

Monday -appointment only, phone calls, text messages, and emails will be answered and responded to by Carmen as appropriate

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday - 9 AM - 4 PM

Friday, Saturday, Sunday - Closed, Only emergency phone messages and emails will be handled

Request scheduled door access through Carmen by contacting her in a timely manner; or you can continue to use your swipe key.
