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Worship Opportunities

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

Wednesday Mid-Week Devotions **12:15 pm**

Saturday 5:00 pm in the Lounge

Sunday 9:30 am in the Sanctuary and live on Facebook

Sunday Bulletins: <https://stpaulsyorkst.org/sunday-bulletin>

News & Needs

Call Committee Update

The committee has recommended a pastoral candidate to council. The next step in the process is for the congregation council to interview the pastoral candidate. Please continue prayers in support of the call committee, congregation council and pastoral candidate as we continue this journey.

Homebound Visitation Program

I know that in the past some of you served as visitors to St. Paul's homebound members. I believe that COVID took a toll on this program. I informed the Executive Committee last week that I would like to resurrect this fine program. We currently have about eighteen homebound members that I know would appreciate visits from their fellow disciples/members at St. Paul's. The current listing is on the bulletin board across from my office. Whether you are one of the recent visitors or would like to take part in this visitation ministry, please express your interest to Pastor Dan and/or Carmen in

the office. Participants will visit one to three homebound members monthly and distribute communion to them. This program does not replace my pastoral visits but does supplement them. There will be a training session for all who would like to serve as visitors.

Pastor Dan Yeiser

Camperships Update

This year we sent six individual children, four of which were new to St. Paul's, to Camp Nawakwa. We also sent two families (total of seven individuals) to Family Camp at Camp Nawakwa.

We collected a total of \$1405 in designated giving to support these camperships. The total cost was \$6595, with the balance of \$5190 paid via our generous Adventure in Ministries which is part of the St. Paul's Endowment Fund.

A few comments gathered included "the delicious food at camp, the beautifully chilly swimming pool, being in a magnificent natural setting, loved all the camp songs, the joy of bible study and allowing families to enjoy the experience together while creating family traditions".

Laura Silver - St. Paul's Camp Person

Help Needed

Christian Ed. committee is looking for volunteers to lead Sunday morning Faith Formation activities with children in grades K-5. All resources are supplied for you! PA Clearances required (and we'll help you get them if need be!). Contact Bill Sowers to volunteer.

Rally Day will coincide with God's Work Our Hands Sunday! Join us as we celebrate ALL ministries of our congregation...including Christian Education. Come learn about ministries we have to offer!

Join us on Sundays following worship (starting Sept. 14)! There's something for all!

- Children and Youth (2nd Floor Gathering space): we will do an Opening activity together and then split into age groups (ages 0-5; grades K-5; grades 6 and up;
- there's also Confirmation ministry one Sunday a month)
- Adults (1st floor opposite the Lounge): grab a snack and drink and join us

Used Book Sale

It's time! Beginning **Sept. 1st** books, DVD's, and Puzzles may be placed on the stage in the Fellowship hall in preparation for our Used Book Sale October 10th.

September Church Office Hours

DURING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER THE CHURCH OFFICE will be on the following schedule:
Mon. - 8 am – 12 pm, Tues., Wed., Thur. and Fri. - 9 am – 4 pm. **The church office will be closed for Carmen's vacation from Mon., Sept. 15th through Mon., Sept. 22nd.**

Tuesday Evening Book Study

Do you feel weighed down with worry? Could you use some calm? Join us for a Tuesday Evening Book Study of *Anxious for Nothing; Finding Calm in a Chaotic World* by Max Lucado beginning **October 7 at 7 PM** in the conference room. This book will help us learn how to invite God to reframe the way we face our fears based on Philippians 4:6-7. Gay Dickson will facilitate the book study. Please sign up on the sheet by the pastor's office or contact Carmen no later than September 21 so we may order your book.

Boy Scouts Court of Honor

Boy Scout Troop 102 will celebrate **Thursday, August 28th** in the Fellowship Hall. A Court of Honor is a ceremony in which Scouts receive their rank advancements, as well as their merit badges. Court of Honor is a family event where everyone in the family can share in the celebration. Congratulations to our Scouts, their leaders and families on their achievements!



Mark your calendars! We are looking for 20 volunteers to participate in the Hanover Against Hunger food packaging event on **Nov. 1** (afternoon shift). Look for more details and how to register in the September Evangel and in fall worship bulletins.

Card Showers

Help Mary Kaltreider celebrate her 85th Birthday on **September 10th** by sending her a birthday card in the mail. Her address is 178 Pumping Station Rd, Hanover, PA 17331.

The family of Harry Dusman is planning a Card Shower to celebrate his 90th Birthday on **September 30**. Our goal is for him to receive 90 cards for his birthday to make the day special. We appreciate your consideration. Cards can be sent to: Harry Dusman 425 Westminster Ave. Hanover, PA 17331.

2025 Annual Reports

Are due in the church office no later than **September 15th**. Reports should reflect activity through August 31, 2025.

Budgets for 2026

Are due **September 4th** based on planned activities for 2025. Year-to-date spending reports and worksheets will be emailed to Committee Chairs and Council Liaisons for the August and September Committee meetings.



There will be a special worship service, followed by volunteer activities, ministry fair, and fellowship meal. **Please sign up for the meal on the sheet located by the pastor's office OR call/email Carmen** to let us know you plan to attend! We want to be sure to have enough for everyone!

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!

St. Paul's Book Club

Will meet on **Wednesday, September 24, 2025** at 12:45pm in the Conference Room on the second floor. We will be discussing The Frozen River by Ariel Lawhorn. This story takes place in Maine in 1789. Martha Ballard is a midwife and healer and is privy to much of what goes on behind closed doors in Hallowell, Maine. Martha is summoned to examine a body that has been taken from the frozen Kennebec River and to determine the cause of death. Thus begins the story of the mysterious death of this person. Hope to see you at the meeting to discuss this wonderful historical novel.

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Adult Study Retreat

SOMEHOW: THOUGHTS ON LOVE An Adult Book Study Retreat at **Nawakwa**

Join us **September 9 - 11th** for a mid-week retreat centered around Somehow: Thoughts on Love by Anne Lamott. We're thrilled to partner with Kindling Faith and welcome the opportunity to engage with Anne Lamott herself on Wednesday, September 11! Retreat Led By Sister Marianne Brock

We'll explore Lamott's reflections on love and relationships-and possibly up to two additional titles that will round out the reading list.

Registration fee: \$175 Lodging and meals provided Please call 717-677-8211 or visit <https://www.lutherancamping.org/registration/events/?event=2522> to register by September 1.

August Designated Giving - New Hope Ministries

New Hope Ministries was founded in 1982 by concerned citizens representing various denominations in the community. Today, thousands of volunteers and staff from different Christian churches work together to serve our neighbors in need. New Hope Ministries is not a church, but an extension of the church, sharing the love and hope of Christ with others. New Hope is thankful for the donations and support it receives from an array of individuals, churches, businesses and organizations. They work hard to be good stewards of the resources given to us by the community with 92% of every dollar received directly supporting programs. Use this link to view New Hope Ministries history and future

plans: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=16ltBFH_FGo&list=PLrxVrM1AEacDHAXCrCRI_IrOMc2Eqwjld

September Designated Giving - Lutheran Disaster Response (LDR)

Flooding is one of the most common disasters in the United States. Across the country, the ELCA, through Lutheran Disaster Response, supports communities as they recover from devastating floodwaters.

LDR's response:

As ever and with your support, our church stands ready to walk with our neighbors around the country as floodwaters recede, cleanup begins and communities — like those in South Central Texas among others across the United States — rebuild after flooding events. May we be bearers of the hope found in Christ alone and help shoulder the burden for those who grieve.

Lutheran Disaster Response works with synods and partners to respond to urgent needs, give emotional and spiritual care, support long-term recovery (including disaster case management and meeting unmet needs) and provide educational training for synods and partners in affected regions.

Sponsorships

Please contact Carmen Buckley in the church office or at assistant@stpaulsyorkst.org

Radio—Sept. 7, 21, 28, Oct. 5, 12, 19 & 26 (\$60 per date or any portion you desire per date)

Altar Flowers—Sept. 21, 28, Oct. 5, 12, 19 & 26 (2 vases at \$20 each)

Communion Bread and Wine—Sept. 21, 28, Oct. 5, 12, 19 & 26 (\$12 each date)

Worship Bulletins— Sept. 21, 28, Oct. 5, 12, 19 & 26 (\$20 each date)

Eternal Flame— Sept. 21, 28, Oct. 5, 12, 19 & 26 (\$10 each date)

This Week's Calendar

Thursday

11:00 am Larry Zumbrum graveside service at Marburg Memorial Gardens

5:00 pm Boy Scouts Court of Honor

Friday Church Office Closed

11:00 am Esther Gurman Memorial Service

3:30 pm Grocery Ministry Prep in the gym

Saturday

- 9:00 am Grocery Ministry Packing in the gym (Help Needed)
- 10:00 am Grocery Ministry Distribution in the parking (Help Needed)
- 11:00 am Jeanette Carbaugh Memorial Service
- 5:00 pm Saturday Evening Worship in the Lounge
- 6:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous in Fellowship Hall

Sunday

- 8:30 am Radio Broadcast – 95.3 FM & 1280 AM
- 9:30 am Worship in the Sanctuary
- 10:30 am Coffee Hour in the Lounge

Monday Church Office Closed

Tuesday

10:30 Lincoln Intermediate Unit

Wednesday

- 12:15 pm Mid-week Devotions in the Lounge
- 6:00 pm Christian Education Committee
- 6:30 pm Faith In Action
- 7:00 pm Worship & Music Committee

Coming Soon - Mark Your Calendars!

What Does the York County Office of the Aging Offer To Help Seniors?

On **Saturday, September 20th**, a representative from York County's Office for the Aging will be at St. Paul's talking about the programs they have for seniors in York County. All are welcome - those who are currently seniors, those looking forward to becoming a senior, and those not there yet but wanting to help their senior family and friends!

It will be held in the Fellowship Hall from **9am to 10:30am**. Coffee and doughnuts will be provided. This is a perfect time to learn more about programs that are available and to ask any questions you may have about them. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board across from the Pastor's office to help us with seating and handouts.

Annual Used Book Sale

Our annual book sale will be held on Friday, October 10th and Saturday, October 11th. **We will begin collecting books September 1st and can be placed on the stage in the Fellowship hall.** Books, DVD's, and Puzzles are accepted. This is our annual fundraiser and funds are used in support of our Youth. Our thanks to everyone for their past support and look forward to another successful year.

Sisters In Faith Retreat

It's time to mark your calendar for our fall retreat scheduled for **Oct. 10 – 12**, at Mar-Lu-Ridge. We are hoping to have women of all ages join us for all or part of the weekend! Our weekend will be a time of fellowship, study, worship, and good fun. We will once again use a Bible Study from the Women of the ELCA Gathering magazine as a theme for our weekend. This year we'll explore Faithfulness: Faith Where You Are (Ruth and Naomi); Faith in the Depths (Psalm 22); Faith Adventures (Peter and Cornelius); and Faith Risks (Jarius and the Faithful Woman). So this year, who will win the Skip-Bo tournament, what places will we visit, what campfire stories will we tell? Come join us to find out! The lodge has recently been remodeled for access for all abilities (elevator and better accessibility). There are still individual rooms (sleeping 1 or 2 people) each with a private bathroom. Best of all? Linens and all meals are PROVIDED! Cost is based on length of stay (one night = \$130; two nights = \$160...a slight increase from last year). To register and for more information, contact Deb Sowers (debsowers@gmail.com). Remember that all are welcome whether or not a St. Paul's member!



Hanover Texas Roadhouse IS Helping Hanover Against Hunger

Have a great meal and help to feed others. Tell your server at TRH in Hanover that you are there in support of Hanover Against Hunger. When you do, 10% of all designated Hanover Texas Roadhouse food / beverage (including alcohol) purchases, 10% of carry-out, and 10% of gift card purchases made in conjunction with your visit on:

- September 7, 8, 21, or 22
- October 5, 6, 19 or 20

Links

Sunday Worship Link: <https://www.facebook.com/stpaulsyorkst/videos>

St. Paul's Website: <https://stpaulsyorkst.org/>

Lower Susquehanna Synod <https://www.lss-elca.org/>

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) <https://www.elca.org/>

WE HAVE CHANGED INTERNET PROVIDERS

Please use **the following**:

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THANK YOU!