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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

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

Wednesday Midweek Devotions 12:15

Ash Wednesday: 7:00 pm

Mid-week Lenten Service: Noon and 7:00 pm

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### **News**

#### **Heads Up Weatherwise!**

Based on current weather forecasts, we will use our phone bank system to call **IF** there is any change to Saturday and/or Sunday services this week.

#### **This Sunday - Camp Sunday!**

We are having Kelsey Tomlinson, Camp Nawakwa Director, come and participate in the Sunday service this Sunday. We encourage you to wear any camp related shirts, hats, etc.

#### **Installation Service for Pastor Jason**

You are invited to a Service of Holy Communion with the Installation of Rev. Jason Northridge

as pastor on March 1st at 3:00 pm. Together we will celebrate God's call, give thanks for new beginnings, and pray for our shared ministry in Christ. This worship service marks the beginning of a new chapter in the life of our congregation, as we trust the Holy Spirit to guide us in faith, service, and mission.

## **Annual Council Retreat**

As is our tradition, we will have our annual Council Retreat again this year. It will be held on **Saturday morning, January 31 at 9:00 AM** and end around Noon. **Council members and committee chairpersons** are strongly encouraged to attend for learning and fellowship. **Committee members, staff members and all interested** are also invited and encouraged to join us.

Please RSVP to Carmen at [http://assistant@stpaulsyorkst.org](mailto:assistant@stpaulsyorkst.org) as soon as you can and mark your calendars!

## **Lenten Book Study Of Goespeled Lives: Encounters with Jesus**

**Please join us for a Tuesday evening Lenten Book Study of *Gospoled Lives*:**

***Encounters with Jesus, A Lenten Study*** by John Indermark. "Gospoled" lives are lives that have encountered Jesus Christ. Christ's call leads to a continually unfolding story for each of us. An encounter with the living Christ demands a response, John Indermark says. We will learn about New Testament characters who encountered Jesus. Some responded with joy and gratitude. Others ignored or rejected his offer of good news. Gay Dickson will facilitate six sessions beginning on February 24. Please sign up on the sheet by the pastor's office or contact Carmen no later than February 8 so we may order your book.

## **Ash Wednesday**

**February 18th is Ash Wednesday.** The Mid-week devotions in the lounge will include the Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion. At 7:00 pm there will be an Ash Wednesday service with the Imposition of Ashes and Holy Communion in the sanctuary.

## **Lent Midweek Services**

Midweek services will focus on Embracing Evangelism. Lent is a time we may take on a new discipline to deepen our relationship with God. As a congregation, we will focus on sharing

God's story as we love our neighbors. Services will be offered each Wednesday during Lent beginning on February 25 at noon and 7:00 pm.

### **Faith in Action's "Souper Bowl "**

Soup collection continues through Sunday, Feb. 15th. We will be collecting regular size cans of soup (10.5 oz) to be distributed by our Saturday morning grocery ministry here at St. Paul's. Let's set a goal of 450 cans this year!!

### **Easter Flowers**

Tulips, lilies, hyacinths and hydrangeas will adorn the sanctuary on Easter Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>. You have the opportunity to purchase a flower or make a donation to the "Pastor's Discretionary Fund". The donation and/or flower will be recognized in the Easter bulletin. Flower(s) must be taken home following the 9:30 a.m. Easter service. If you are unable to take your plant home following the service, please give serious consideration to a donation.

Please fill in the form in Sunday's bulletin and attach \$15.00 for each tulip, hyacinth and lily and \$40.00 for each very large 8" potted hydrangea. We will also have two 3 stalk lily pots for alongside the altar for \$40.00 each. Return this form to the church office **by Sunday, March 1st** for flower orders. Deadline for Pastor's Discretionary Fund donations is Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>.

### **End Of Year Giving Statements**

Immediately following the Worship service this Sunday, Maureen Kaltreider, St. Paul's Financial Secretary, will be in the hallway outside of the church lounge, to hand out End of the Year Giving Statements. Any statements that have not been picked up by next Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup> will be mailed out on Monday, January 26<sup>th</sup>. Please pick yours up and save St. Paul's some postage.

### **Faith Formation Urgent Need**

Faith Formation teachers for our K-6 age group. We will provide the resources you need. All that's required is PA Clearances (and we can help with that as well). Leaders are needed each

week starting next week. You can volunteer as your schedule allows (not a weekly commitment). Please see Deb Sowers or contact the church office to volunteer.

## **St. Paul's Men in Mission**

Are sponsoring a "Healthy Steps for Older Adults" in conjunction with the York County Office of the Aging. This is a 2-session class to be held in our fellowship hall on **Monday, March 23rd and 30th**, from 10am-12 noon. **More details and a sign-up sheet are on the bulletin board across from Pastor Jason's office. Class is limited to 15 people.**

## **St. Paul's Book Club**

Will be meeting on **Wednesday, January 28, 2026 at 12:45** in the Conference room to discussion the The Briar Club by Kate Quinn. This is a haunting and powerful story of female friendships and secrets in a Washington, D.C. boardinghouse during the McCarthy era. If you are a reader and like to discuss the books you read, please join us for our Book Club meeting. All are invited and please bring a brown bag lunch and drink to eat while we are discussing the book of the month.

## **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**

<b>THUR., JAN. 22</b>	6:00 pm	Bell choir rehearsal – Balcony of the Sanctuary
	6:30 pm	Cub Scouts – 2 <sup>nd</sup> floor
	7:00 pm	Boy Scout Troop 102 - Youth Room & Gym
	7:00 pm	Adult Choir rehearsal – Choir Loft in Sanctuary
<b>FRI., JAN. 23</b>	3:00 pm	Grocery Ministry prep – Gym

**SAT., JAN. 24**      9:00 am   Grocery Ministry – Help Needed  
10:00 am   Private Use – Fellowship Hall  
5:00 pm   Saturday Evening Service  
6:15 pm   Narcotics Anonymous – Fellowship Hall

**SUN., JAN. 25**      8:30 am   Radio Broadcast – 95.3 FM & 1280 AM  
9:30 am   Worship Service  
Immediately following Worship:  
    Coffee Hour – lounge  
    Faith Formation – Children - 2<sup>nd</sup> floor  
    Daily Discipleship class – nursery across from lounge  
    Adult Choir II

rehearsal

**MON., JAN 26**      6:30 pm   Daisie Scouts Investitures/Rededication Awards

**TUES., JAN. 27**      10:30 am   L.I.U Class

**WED., JAN. 28**      12:15 pm   Midweek Devotions – Lounge  
12:45 pm   St. Paul's Book Club

## **Mark Your Calendars!**

The Faith In Action Committee plans to have a **DIAPER AND WIPES DRIVE** as a Lenten Project. We will be collecting disposable diapers of all sizes and wipes for the Diaper Clinic held at St. John's Lutheran Church in Abbottstown, PA. There are many families in the area that are having a difficult time purchasing the diapers needed for their children. This clinic provides these diapers and wipes to help such families. **This collection will begin on Ash Wednesday, February 18, 2026 and continue through Easter, April 5, 2026.** Place all items purchased in the boxes found in the hallway outside of the sanctuary any time during Lent. We appreciate your generosity in helping others in need.

## **Learning to Listen Again: A Lent Retreat for the Overstimulated Soul**

*Learning to Listen Again* is a gentle, Christ-centered retreat for those who feel overstimulated,

overextended, or spiritually tired. In a loud world, this retreat creates intentional space to slow down, breathe deeply, and rest in the stillness where God so often meets us.

Through simple, embodied practices, Scripture, guided prayer, and spacious silence, we will learn to listen with our bodies, our hearts, and the Word. As we listen, we will begin to notice where God is already present and where Christ may be gently inviting us into a more spacious way of living. Where the world is loud, Christ still speaks. This is an invitation to pause, listen, and receive.

Please join us via Zoom on **February 21st, from 9:30 am to noon** by registering here: [https://www.breathinginchrist.com/retreats-checkout/?checkout\\_id=4a498ec2-d00a-48b8-89c1-4bb00c9cdd56](https://www.breathinginchrist.com/retreats-checkout/?checkout_id=4a498ec2-d00a-48b8-89c1-4bb00c9cdd56)

**Led by Marsha Roscoe, founder of Breathing in Christ**

Marsha is a spiritual wellness coach, ELCA deacon, writer, and retreat leader passionate about accompanying others in experiencing the presence of Jesus in an exhausting world.

## **Sponsorships Available:**

**Please contact Carmen Buckley in the church office or at [assistant@stpaulsyorkst.org](mailto:assistant@stpaulsyorkst.org)**

Radio—Feb. 1, 15 & 22 (\$60 per date or any portion you desire per date)

Altar Flowers- Feb. 1, & 8 (2 vases at \$20 each), Feb. 15 (1 vase at \$20)

Communion Bread and Wine- Feb. 1, 8, 15, 18 & 22 (\$12 each date)

Worship Bulletins- Feb. 1, 15 & 22 (\$20 each date)

Eternal Flame- Feb. 1, 8, 15 & 22 (\$10 each date)

## **January Special Designated Giving - Hanover Area Council of Churches**

The Hanover Area Council of Churches (HACC) has been serving the greater Hanover community since 1968 with the purpose of improving the lives of the most vulnerable in our community.

Their **mission** is to combat hunger, homelessness, and poverty.

Their **vision** is to empower at-risk community members with solutions that will allow them to achieve permanent housing, nutrition stability and long-term self-sufficiency.

For more than five decades, countless individuals, churches, civic organizations, and businesses have joined forces through HACC to enhance the quality of life in our community. But there's nothing more exiting, as a faith-based organization, to see how much support comes from church members. These church members, regardless the denomination, know that God has called us to serve the poor and homeless in our communities. Currently they have over 30 church members whose pastors, deacons or lay person has transitioned to becoming part of our board governance.

Sharing our treasures with HACC supports many of their programs where we also share our time and talents such as Provide A Lunch (PAL), Ruth's Harvest, Meal on Wheels, the Clothing Bank, and Changing Lives Shelter.

## Contacting Pastor Jason

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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.