Happenings: This week at St. Paul's Church, August 28- September 3, 2025

WORSHIP SERVICES

are both in-person and on Zoom

Worship service materials, including service bulletins and readings can be found on our website under the Worship tab on the Homepage headings.

https://saintpaulsbloomsburg.org/

There will only be one service on Sunday, August 31st.

Sunday, August 31, 10:30 PM Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Topic: 10:30 at St. Paul's via Zoom Join Zoom Meeting https://s02web.zoom.us/j/87818201063 Meeting ID: 878 1820 1063

NOTES & REMINDERS:

ALL ARE WELCOME:

St. Paul's will be having an end of summer picnic in the back yard after the 10:30 service this Sunday, August 31st.

Men's Bible Sunday Saturday mornings from 9:00 to 10:00 AM at St. Paul's. Doughnuts and coffee will be provided. Questions? Contact Deacon Jim at 541-306-1215.

Link to readings: https://www.lectionarypage.net/YearC RCL/HolyDays/CPalmSun RCL.html

Adult Ed has started the discussion of "The Shack". We'll meet at our usual times. Sunday evening at 6:00 PM on ZOOM and Monday mornings at 10:30 AM at Saint Paul's & on ZOOM. The Zoom link for both will be:https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89009873767

Weekly Backyard/Rectory Gathering: A picnic/meal in the St. Paul's back yard/Rectory on **Tuesday evenings.** We will gather around the fire pit. Russell asks that attendees bring a side dish to share and their beverage of choice, along with a lawn chair. We will start gathering at 6 pm.

Paint Night: In September we will meet **the first Thursday, September 4th.** A donation of \$5 per person pays for the consumables used in the program, but don't let the price stop anyone from coming. This is a good opportunity to bring a friend to the St Paul's church in a joint church activity and to just get out of the house. If you would like to attend a paint night please email rucarnahan@gmail.com Painters should bring their beverage of choice.

Fair Ministry:

The "needs" list, example table, & lamp; collection containers are set up in the foyer. Sign-up sheets for volunteers are also available.

Operation Christmas Child: St. Paul's will be participating in Operation Christmas Child again this year. Summer & Dack-to-school sales provide excellent opportunities to find treasures. We will be able to send many of the same types of items we sent last year, with one additional exception: no soap. Lists are available on the Outreach the table in the foyer, boxes will be available in September.

OOM Dessert Mission: The August-November schedule for "dessert mission" at Our Orangeville Manor is ready to go! If you have thought about signing up, but have never gotten around to it, summer and fall are great times to participate in this sweet mission! It is not necessary to provide homemade items, but it is important to keep the "people connection" that occurs when you drop off the treats.

August 17	Susie Volmer		•	·
September 7 Patty Creasy		September 21:		Tastykake round-up*
October 5		October 19		
November 2		November 16	Patty	Creasy

In December we will request desserts for the Christmas social. To sign up, or if you have questions, contact Elaine Pongratz @ mdmep@ptd.net

UTO Ingathering 2025: An Invitation to a Holy Autumn. Although UTO boxes are available all year round, fall is traditionally a time for St. Paul's to focus on ingathering so we can send our donations to United Thank Offering in early November. This year UTO has added a 4-week study option. Rooted in the 2025 theme, An Invitation to Holy Autumn, we are asked to consider what rest looks like for us. A booklet, created by two UTO board members, provides the resources for individuals or groups to pray, read Scripture, journal, and reflect on the spiritual aspects of rest. The program includes suggestions for prayer and Scripture along with reflection questions, response journal pages, and other activities. As a self-directed study option, the educational resources will be available in the back of the church on September 7. **To preview or download your own copy, search UTO Holy Autumn. The first or second option should be An Invitation to a Holy Autumn – the booklet for this self-directed adult education opportunity.**

PLEASE..... if you have an event planned at Saint Paul's or you know of a schedule change, mark Patty's desk calendar & or let her know.

New St. Paul's Website

The Diocese asked us last fall to develop a new website through the Fathom Platform because they needed to switch from Digital Faith. The new website through Fathom has been launched by the Diocese, who no longer support the old website. The new one is VERY different!

New website: https://saintpaulsbloomsburg.org

The old site is linked to the new, and if you put in the old website address, stpaulsbloomsburg.diocpa.org, it will automatically open the new website.

Please check it out, and see what you think. Revisions are always possible, and the page on Leadership will be updated by Allison and Jim soon.

Let me know if you have feedback or problems opening up the new website.

Thanks, Vicki

Community Aid Calendars If anyone has events you would like to have listed on either of the Community Aid Calendars – Find Help or Find Events, please send the name of the event, date, time, and a brief description to Elaine Pongratz (mdmep@ptd.net). The Find Help calendar shows free & low-cost community resource events, such as food giveaways, clothing distributions, health screenings, free meals etc. This calendar serves as a central resource, making it easier for the community to find essential information. The Find Events calendar is a guide for local events for children.

^{*}September 7 -21 we are asking the congregation to donate multipacks of Tastykake items (Tandykakes, Krimpets, cookie bars, mini-donuts, etc.). Outreach will deliver them during fair week.

'Noisy' Collection: July through September, the Noisy Collection will go to the Women's Shelter. If you do not have the opportunity to place your coins in the collection plate during Sunday services at the church, you may send a check to St. Paul's and write "Noisy Offering" on the memo line. The church's mailing address is P.O. Box 764, Bloomsburg, PA 17815.

IN OUR PRAYERS:

Aaron * Abby * Adrienne * Al * Alaina * Alan * Alec * Alicia * Allison * Andrew * Angela * Angie * Anne * Arline * Ash * Barbara * Barry * Becca * Beth * Betsy * Betty * Bill * Bishop Curry * Bobby * Bonnie * Brenan * Brenda * Bryan * C.M. * Caleb * Candy * Carol * Casey * Celia * Charlene Hancock * Chet * Chris * Christian * Chuck * Cindy * Claudia * Craig * Dahnya * David * Deb * Debbie * Dee * Della * Denise * Donald * Donna * Donnie * Doris * Doug * Dyan * Elaine * Ellen * Emanuel * Emily Epbert * * Frances * Franny * Garth * Gene * George * Gini * Gloria * Glory * Graham * Harry *Hazel * Heather * Helena * Helen * Helene * Holly * Ian * Irene * Jack *Jaclyn * Janet * Janny * Jay * Jean * the Jenkins family * Jennifer * Jeremy * Jerry * Jessica * Jessica * Jill * Jim * Joanne * Jody * Joe * Johanna * John * John Jeffrey * Johnny * Jon * Jonna * Josh * Joshua * Judy * June * Justin * Kai * Kaitlyn * Karen * Kate * Kathy * Katherine * Kathleen * Kathryn * Kelly * Ken * Kennedy * Kevin * Kim * Krista * Kyle * Larry * Laura * Laurie * Laverne * Leah * Leon * Leslie * Lillian * Linda * Luke * Lucy * Lydia * Lynda * Lynn * Madison * Margaret * Maria * Marian * Mariann * Marika * Marilyn * Mark * Marsha * Marshall * Marty * Mary * Matthew * Merika * Mercedes * Michael * Michael * Molly * Monica * Myrna * Nadine * Nancy * Naomi * Nichol * Nina * Nowell * Olga * Owen * Pam * Paul * Patty * Paula * Peter * Phyllis * Preston * Ralph * Rebecca * Richard A. * Richard Orsini * Rick * Riley * Rose * Rosemary * Russell * Sam * Sandra * Sarah * Saul * Scott * Sean * Seth * Sharlet * Sharon * Shirley * Simuel * Sophia * Steven * Stephani * Susan * Tanny * Terry Jo * Theresa * Timothy * Tom * Tina* Tori * Tosha * Van * Victoria * Virginia * Walter * Wanda * Wayne * Wesley * William * Zulma. The people of Israel and Gaza. The people of Ukraine.

(The complete written prayer list will continue to be printed in the newsletter and in the weekly "Happenings." However, only those names requested on Sunday morning in-person or by Zoom will be read during the service. YOU MUST LET US KNOW WHEN SOMEONE'S NAME CAN BE REMOVED FROM THE LIST. Otherwise, the list can become unwieldy and less effective.

Also, please be careful using variations of the same name: Jere and Jerry, Mike and Michael, Sandy and Sandra, etc. Otherwise, we don't know if it's one person or two different people. Thanks.