

Happenings: This week at St. Paul's Church, January 22-28, 2026

WORSHIP SERVICES are both in-person and on Zoom, service materials, including service bulletins and readings can be found on our website under the Worship tab on the Homepage headings. <https://saintpaulsbloomsburg.org>

Sunday, January 25, 8:00 AM, Holy Eucharist, Rite I

Topic: 8:00 at St. Paul's via Zoom

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88949441338>

Meeting ID: 889 4944 1338

Sunday, January 25, 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

Wednesday, January 28, Evening Prayer

Topic: 7:00 p.m. Evening Prayer service

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81127884401>

Meeting ID: 811 2788 4401



STAY SAFE!

The Annual Meeting is re-scheduled for February 1, 2026 at Noon. It will be both in-person and Zoom, and a light lunch will be served.

Vestry nominations

Linda Candlish and Ian Brandau are rotating off of Vestry as of the Annual Meeting, February 1, 2026. Doug Hippenstiel has agreed to serve on Vestry, and other nominations will be accepted during the Annual Meeting if another person rises to the occasion.

Assistant Treasurer

We need a new Assistant Treasurer as of January because Candlishes are moving to Pittsburgh.

This person will be backup for Dennis MacMahon when he is travelling, and will need to be familiar with current finance practices. Robin is doing very well as bookkeeper, and Katherine can sign checks if needed. We will need to ask the congregation for help and suggestions.

Food Cupboard Critical Needs

The Bloomsburg Food Cupboard is asking churches to do a canned food drive, looking for canned vegetables, because their shelves are almost empty. They distribute food twice a week to more than 250 families. Please add these items to your shopping lists and bring cans in this week and next to help where you can.



January 4 - February 15 2026
Panther Packs Challenge XII

For the 12th annual Panther Packs challenge our goal is **60 actual or virtual** bags of kid-friendly food for BFC. It has been another rough year for the Bloomsburg Food Cupboard. St. Paul's annual Panther Pack Challenge provides a much-needed boost in BFC's supply of kid-friendly foods. We work hard to keep shortages from cutting into Panther Packs, a project that is so important to the well-being of the children in our community. Suggestion lists and donation envelopes are in the Sunday bulletin and on the example table in the foyer.

OOM Dessert Mission begins the week of February 8!

The dates for the 2026 February - June dessert mission schedule will begin with the weeks of February 8 & 22, followed by March 8, 22; April 12, 26; May 10, 24; and June 14,28. Guidelines will be included in next week's Happenings. To sign up, or if you have questions, contact Elaine Pongratz at mdmep@ptd.net

The **Men's Bible Study**, Saturday mornings from 9:00 to 10:00 AM at St. Paul's will still meet.

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

Noisy' Collection: January through March, the Noisy Collection will go to Columbia-Montour Area on Aging. 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:

O God of all mercy, look with favor on your servants who are in sickness, danger, sorrow or any other kind of trouble, especially:

Aiden * Alan * Alexis * Allison * Amber* Andrew * Becky * Beth * Betsy * Bob * Bryan * Carol * Cathy * Christina * Cindy * Connor * Dan * Devon * Dorothy * Ellen and her family * Epbert * Faisal * Frankie * Gene * George * Hailey * Harrison * Helena * Jackie * Janet * Jay * Jerry * Jesse * Jill * Jim * Joanne * Joe * John * Jon * Josh * Julie * Katie * Kennedy * Kiki * Kim * Krista * Laurie * Leslie * Ling * Luann * Lynn * Maria * Mariann * Marie * Michelle * Mike * Pam * Patti * Paul * Richard * Rick * Rose * Russ * Ruth * Scott * Sean * Simuel * Steve * Tasha * Tim * Todd * Victoria * Vinny * William * Willie

Give them, we pray, courage and hope, and a happy issue from all their afflictions, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(The complete written prayer list will 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. **PLEASE LET US KNOW WHEN SOMEONE'S NAME CAN BE REMOVED FROM THE LIST.**)

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.

Diocesan Men's Retreat: Reclaiming the Psalms in Harrowing Times

January 30, 2026 - January 31, 2026

"Israel unflinchingly saw and affirmed that life as it comes, along with joys, is beset by hurt, betrayal, loneliness, disease, threat, anxiety, bewilderment, anger, hatred and anguish." —Walter Brueggemann

Bishop Kevin Nichols will lead men of the Diocese of the Susquehanna on an overnight retreat to explore how the Psalms can be a faithful companion on our journey of faith.

For generations, people of faith have met life's hardships head-on, viewing them as faith crises, times of wondering about God and God's fidelity, but also as faith opportunities, times to articulate again their expectations and assumptions, times to reformulate their place in a world of hurt and with a God of faithfulness. The Psalms articulate the entire gamut of Israel's speech to God, from profound praise to utterance of unspeakable anger and doubt.

We will gather to reflect, to sing, to laugh, to share meals and stories, to meet up with old friends and make new ones. Come step away from the hectic of the world for a time and experience the Holy Spirit within yourself and others.

We welcome all persons 21 or older who identify as male.

The cost is \$180 for double occupancy; \$230 for single occupancy; and \$60 for commuters who lodge offsite. Register on [Eventbrite here](#).

If you have questions about this retreat, please email [Rev. Stuart Scarborough](#) or phone him at 717-585-0576.

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