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The season of Lent begins on Wednesday, February 26 with Ash Wednesday. Here at St. Paul's we offer a special Ash Wednesday service that ends with the imposition of ashes on our foreheads.

Why ashes? Since Old Testament times, ashes have been used as a symbol of our own certain death. When ashes are placed on our foreheads we hear the words: "Remember that you are dust and to dust you shall return." It reminds us that we and our world are passing away and we need to give more thought to what lies at the end, eternal life.

Ashes are also a sign of our need to admit to ourselves that we are sinners. We cannot live up to the holiness of God and the standard of right and wrong our Lord has written on our conscience and in The Ten Commandments. Of course, many in the world see the concept of sin as old-fashioned. Yet the Scriptures are clear; sin is part of our human nature.

If we intentionally do wrong, whether we are Christian or not, our conscience deep inside tells us we have done wrong and we need to ask for forgiveness. Even more, whether we say it out loud or just think it to ourselves, we usually resolve not to do that again. Unfortunately, we often end up committing the same sin all over again. However, there are times when we do indeed leave that sin behind. That is real repentance and that is the heart of Lent.

The word "Lent" comes from an old English word for springtime. Think of it as a form of spring cleaning for the soul. In the early years of the Church it was confined to a few days before Easter. But by the fourth century it was extended to forty days before Easter, a period associated with the forty days and nights that Jesus spent in the desert just after his baptism.

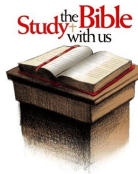
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"Forty days before Easter" may be somewhat misleading. The Church doesn't count Sundays among the forty days, so the period of Lent, lasting from Ash Wednesday through Holy Saturday, actually covers 46 days.

Whether 40 days or 46 days, in the great scope of things Lent is a momentary pause to rethink the fundamental purpose of our lives. But it can also be the occasion of an incredible repentance, the first step on the path of becoming the person we were always meant to be in Christ.

Peace,
Pastor Tim

Bible Study begins again in March. After a winter break the group resumes on Tuesday, March 3, 7 PM in the lounge. Students will finish the The Revelation to John by focusing in the last closing chapters of 20, 21 & 22. After that the group has chosen to study The Book of Daniel. Pastor Tim leads the group. Everyone is invited. All you need is a Bible and if you don't have one, we will supply you with one.



The next Community Meal is Monday, March 9 from 5:00 – 6:00 PM in our fellowship hall. This outreach continues to meet the needs of many in the borough. We now average 150 people. On the menu for March is ham, green beans & potatoes, applesauce, roll, dessert and beverage. As always, we thank volunteers from our church, Bethany, Zion - Red Lion, and Zion - Freysville United Methodist Churches, Emmanuel UCC of Freysville and Pleasant View Church. Ask God to continue to bless this outreach ministry.



An Ash Wednesday service will be offered on February 26, 7:00 PM in the Sunday school room. Come and receive the imposition of ashes to remind you that life is short, but God's everlasting life is available to all who trust Christ.

Midweek Service resumes: The Ash Wednesday service on February 26 marks the resumption of our Wednesday services. Except for Ash Wednesday the midweek worship involves singing, prayer, a short Bible teaching by Pastor Tim and Holy Communion. Everyone is welcome on Wednesday evenings.

Holy Communion will be celebrated in the pews the First Sunday of Lent, March 1 during the 9:00 & 10:30 AM services.

Anniversary Sunday is scheduled to be celebrated on March 1 during the 9:00 AM and 10:30 AM worship services. Letters have been sent out to those who joined St. Paul's 50 years ago and pins commemorating their membership will be given. Bring your family and friends on this day to thank the long-time members for their faithfulness to this church.

Women in the Word: This class is open to all ladies inside and outside the church. The pastor's wife, Sharon Funk leads the group in a study based on Beth Moore's "Believing God" series. It meets the third Saturday of every month at 9:00 AM in the lounge. The next session is Saturday, March 21.

Pulpit Swap Continues: As many of you know, we are linked in extension ministry with Grace United Methodist Church in Windsor. Pastor Tim provides leadership and visitation, while Mr. Kevin Zieber, also of our church, fills the pulpit on Sunday mornings. To support the Christians of Grace, Kevin and Tim will swap pulpits the fifth Sunday of each month in 2020. March 29 is the next fifth Sunday of the year. Tim will preach at Grace, while Kevin shares God's Word here at St. Paul's.

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The Den Update: This after-school program at Ma-zie Gable Elementary, sponsored by the Red Lion Ministerium is still going strong. Since the National Honor Society students from Red Lion High School are now helping, we have been able to open up the enrollment. Over 60 students participate in the program that meets Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:15 – 5:15 PM at the school. Miss Andrea Rider from our church is the director and four of our own members volunteer on a regular basis. During a typical session leaders share character building lessons, help children with homework, handout snacks and supervise recreation time. We could still use more volunteers and we always can use donations of individual snacks. To volunteer your time or snacks please contact Andrea Rider. Please pray that this ministry will continue to touch young lives with kindness, guidance, and love of the Lord.

March, 2020 Meetings:

Preschool Committee —

Tuesday, March 10, 6 PM

All meetings are in the Lounge, unless otherwise noted.



How do you know when services at St. Paul's are canceled? The main means of finding out about cancelations is to tune to the ABC affiliate in Harrisburg. It is ABC TV 27, but it may be a different channel on your cable or satellite provider. Then, watch the screen for information regarding St. Paul's, Red Lion. The next place to search would be the church's website, www.saintpauls-um.com. If that doesn't work for you, just call the church office (244-2355) or contact Pastor Tim directly at 501-4339 or 448-4059.



Charles Waltemyer	Rm 110A	Manor Care-South
Bette Houck	Rm 503	Manor Care- South
Jeanne Ratliff		At Home
Vernon Baldwin		At Home
Baird Krecker		Hospice Care/Masonic Home
		Elizabethtown
John Ruby		At Home
Ann Sprenkle	Rm 110	Normandie Ridge
Mildred Frey		At Home
Donna Smeltzer	Rm 128, Brunswick	@ Longstown
Ammon Shelley		At Home
Doris Keller	Rm221 Elmcroft(Broadmore)	
Lloyd & Hilda Eyster	Rm 765	Rest Haven
Rita Adams		Rest Haven
Darothy Neff	Rm 239, Brunswick	@ Longstown
Kay Rider & Norma Vasellas		At Home
Helen Donagher		At Home
Dorothea Gipe		At Home
Charmaine Waltemyer		At Home
Barbara Green		At her daughter's home
Richard & Arlene Warner		At Home
Imelda Waltemyer		At Home



8th — Peggy & Steven Flickinger
 15th — Kathryn & Ronald Trout
 17th — Hilda & Lloyd Eyster
 21st — Ruth & Jacob Paules
 27th — Christina & Travis Allen
 29th — Jennie & Kim Taylor



1st — Mitchell Fisher, Natasha Maskaly
 2nd — Norma Neuman, Skylar Robertson, Dirk Young
 3rd — Brent Bailey, Kenneth Brown, Carol Moore
 4th — Tim Koons
 7th — Joyce Brown, Ruth Paules,
 William N. Shellenberger, Jessica Ward
 8th — Meredith Howell
 9th — Jeanne Ratliff
 10th — Jennifer Andrus
 11th — Hillary Sylo, Benjamin Yartymyk
 12th — Marilyn Brown, Robert Sawicki,
 Eleanor Toomey
 13th — Junior Herbst, Katie Nolan, Charles Smith
 14th — Alaina Combs, Angela Myers, Barry Seace,
 Melody Wolfe
 15th — Barry Damuth, Charles Stephens
 16th — Brittany Dinsmore, Nicole Hanson,
 Cole Snyder
 18th — Beth Butler, Delores Chronister, Jodi Sprenkle
 19th — Dana Anderson, Michael Kehr, Jessica Nagle,
 Kyle Sprenkle
 20th — Kenneth DeShong, Cody Frey, Travis Frey,
 Miriam Shellenberger, Susan Wineholt
 21st — Brienna Dill
 23rd — Quinn Berger, Titus Waltemyer, Jr.
 24th — Emily Detter, Alex Snyder
 25th — Noelle Hake, Sullivan Clark
 26th — Charlotte Overmiller, Dominic Sinibaldi
 27th — Betsy Hoffmaster, Patti Koons
 28th — Chad Donagher, Brant Downs, Andrew Mey-
 ers, Breanne Michael
 29th — David Gillmen, Lonny Seitz, Amy Weaver
 30th — Ty Snyder
 31st — Kimberly Chronister, Mary Hake



William Ritz, captain

David Ehrhart

Mellisa Ehrhart

Nelson Cearfoss

Head Ushers

March 1 — Carol Gillmen

March 8 — Lisa Petzar

March 15 — William Wise

March 22 — Arlene Neff

March 29 — Carol Gillmen

Attendance

Jan. 26 — 9:00 — 83 10:30 — 34 MW—0

Feb. 2 — 9:00 — 67 10:30 — 29 MW—0

16— 9:00 — 101 10:30 — 28 MW—0

23 — 9:00 — 81 10:30 — 33 MW—0

2020 Offering Envelopes

There are still a few on the table at the rear of the sanctuary for pick-up. If you see ones belonging to a neighbor, friend or a shut-in, kindly take them as well to deliver to those folks. They will appreciate the gesture and, most likely, your visit! Thank you.

Thank You!

Thanks to everyone for your support during our recent United Methodist Volunteers In Mission trip to Arizona. We were glad for your support as we got an up close look at the challenging situations at the border.

Mary & Jim Loyer



Balance 01/01/2020	105,059.25
Receipts:	
Envelopes	16,444.00
Loose Offering	280.25
Maintenance	334.33
Easter	0.00
Lent	0.00
Bulletins	75.00
Mid-Week	0.00
Rental/Weddings	0.00
Advent	0.00
Pre School	2,990.00
Staffing	0.00
Miscellaneous	1.34
Goldman Hall	416.67
Parking Lot	226.47
Tree of Lights	0.00
Total	\$20,768.06

Expenses:	
Salaries	\$14,593.50
Related to Salaries	3,450.71
Administration	868.91
Program	566.58
Miscellaneous	117.36
Property	6,617.34
Outreach	3,489.30
Total	\$29,703.70
Balance 01/31/20	\$96,123.61

Our Stewardship, Year-to-Date, 01/31/20

Receipts needed per week	\$7017.00
Total Receipts to date	20,768.06
Total receipts needed to date	28,060.00

Altar Flower & Bulletin Sponsors

We are organizing our 2020 sponsorship for these. Please let the office know when and what you would like to sponsor and what tribute you care to have published that day. There will be a booklet in the office to enter this info. **Even if you have had a "standing" order previously, please reaffirm this info so that all requests are current and up-to-date.** Altar flowers are \$40 for (2) vases. Larger or more ornate ones can be requested for an additional fee. Bulletins are \$25 a week. Thank You.

A Note from the Church Office

When handing in a payment for flowers, bulletins or other gifts to the church, please put a note with it (or note in the memo section of your check) to let us know what it is designated for. This will insure that proper credit and purpose of the money is applied. Thank you.

Discount Cards

St. Paul's Pre School is selling these as a fund raiser. Pictured below is a sample of all the businesses that are included. These can be used as many times as you like throughout 2020. These are available from the church office for \$5.00 each. Thank you.





Dear Church Members,

For the month of March we will be talking about having a healthy body. We will be studying how the body works, what the heart does and how to keep the body healthy. We will spend a few lessons on discussing our five senses as well. We will also continue to learn letters and their sounds and talk about St. Patrick's Day.

Our field trip will be to Unique Physique Fitness Center. The kids will have the opportunity to participate in a yoga class and circuit training. This will emphasize our discussion on how to keep the body healthy by getting exercise and eating well.

We also have Vision Corps coming into the classroom to offer free vision screenings for our preschoolers.

It is difficult to be thinking about next year already, but, we will be accepting registrations for the fall and as always we offer half off registration now until May. If you know of any preschool age children please give them our information.

We also continue to sell our discount cards for our fund raiser. They are \$5 each and we get 100% profit from the cards.

Thank you again for your support,
Patience Martin

Dear Church Members,

Another month of fun and learning is upon us!

During the first week of March, we will honor Dr. Seuss by reading a few of his books and doing some "Seusstastic" activities!

March also brings St. Patrick's Day, where we will do a scavenger hunt to try to find the Leprechaun's gold. Although we will have a lot of fun this month, there will be lots of learning too.

The children will continue to be introduced to more letters of the alphabet. By the end of this month, they will have learned up to, and including, letter "T".

Come on Spring!

Tasha Beck
2 day Preschool Teacher



**Deadline for submission
of articles for the April Newsletter is
March 16th.**



March's Events:

Remember we are **ALL** a part of St. Paul's FAMILY

- * **Kid's Night Out** - Friday, March 13, 2020 6 - 8 PM When kids need time away from mom and dad. For dinner, we will be having walking tacos. Theme: Acceptance
- * **God's Hang Out** - Friday, March 27, 2020. Time for teens to hang out and talk in a safe place with pool, ping pong and air hockey.
- * **Beginning Sunday. March 8, 2020**, Children's Worship and Just 4 Teens Worship times will begin with a brief Praise and Worship song time.
- * **During the month of March**, there will be a sandwich sale. Specific information will be shared in the weekly announcements.
- * **Information about our summer programs** will be available SOON!
- * **Something new**..... Each month, I would like to take the opportunity to recognize and thank the volunteers who have given of their time during the previous month to make our programs a success. I'm going to list all of the individuals who have volunteered since January 2020. Hopefully, I won't miss anyone!

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THANK YOU!!!

This month I would like to recognize those who helped with Just 4 Teens Worship:

Emily Shellenberger, Trina Robertson, Emily Sweitzer and Eric Grove.

Those who helped with Kid's Night Out: Arlene Neff, Mary Tisot, Pastor Tim Funk

*** Outreach programs—**

*** LOOKING** for volunteers to be a part of these new programs. Please contact Andrea if you are interested and willing to volunteer your time and be a part of these new ministries.

*** St. Paul's Ambassadors** - "Buddies" for families and individuals that visit our church on a Sunday morning. Basically, you will show them around St. Paul's.

*** Visitation Teams** - We need to reach out to individuals and families in our "neighborhood" to offer them a path to Christ.

Any questions, feel free to contact Andrea Rider at arider168@comcast.net or 717-449-9942.

Items Needed

The Kid's Night Out and The God's Hang Out programs are in need of board games and card games. Some suggestions are Uno cards, Battleship, Dominoes, and Guess Who. Any donations may be turned in to the church office or given to Andrea. Any questions, feel free to contact Andrea at 717-449-9942 or arider168@comcast.net Thank you!!!

AMBA Blood Screening Event

Sponsored by: St. Paul's United Methodist Church

Date: Saturday, April 25, 2020

Time: 6:00 AM — 10:00 AM

Place: St. Paul's U. M. Church
45 First Avenue

Red Lion, PA

33 Specific Blood Tests

Plus other optional tests

COST: \$41.00

Plus a \$5.00 sponsor fee that will go to the Capital Fund.

Tests include Cholesterol and Triglyceride Levels, Glucose check for Diabetes, Blood Cell Counts and Mineral Levels in the blood, checks for Liver Disease and Kidney Disease along with so much more. Thyroid Function and Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA) for an additional small fee. These tests would normally cost \$200.00 to \$250.00.

Please call and make an appointment at: 1-800-234-8888

This is a good health check for all ages

Easter Lilies

May be purchased for **\$9.00 each**. The lilies will be placed in the sanctuary for Easter Sunday. Envelopes for ordering are available in the pews, and on the table at the rear of the adult Sunday school room. Payment is due with order. Checks should be made payable to St. Paul's U.M. Church. **Deadline for orders to be in is Sunday, March 29th.**

Volunteers Needed!

We are looking for some folks that would be interested in helping to serve the less fortunate at Our Daily Bread Kitchen, located at 331 S. George St., York. We have lost some of our faithful servants recently to injury and illness and need to rebuild our presence there. St. Paul's turn is the 4th Monday of every month from 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM. If you feel moved by the Spirit to participate, either let Lester Gross or the church office know. It may be a new step in your spiritual journey!

Would you like to help keep our planet "green" and save our church some money at the same time?





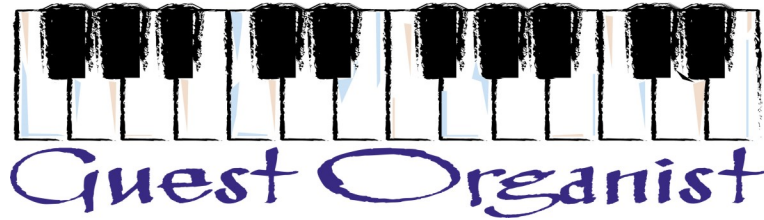
For each ink or toner cartridge (up to 20 per month) that we recycle at Staples, we will get \$2.00 in free office supplies. All brands and sizes are eligible. So the next time your printer goes dry, instead of throwing away that empty cartridge, bring it with you to church. There will be collection boxes at the back of the sanctuary and also in the Sunday school room. Thank you.



March 2020



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9:00 AM Worship (Communion) 10:30 AM Adult Sunday School 10:30 AM Faith Central (Communion)	2 9:00 AM 3 Day Preschool 7:00 PM Joyful Vibrations	3 9:00 AM 2 Day Preschool 6:30 PM Cub Scouts 7:00 PM Bible Study (L)	4 9:00 AM 3 Day Preschool 6:30 PM Praise Team 6:30 PM Boy Scouts 7:00 PM Mid Week Service	5 9:00 AM 2 Day Preschool 7-8:30 PM Red Lion/Felton Band Practice (FH)	6 9:00 AM 3 Day Preschool	7  Tomorrow!
8 9:00 AM Worship 10:30 AM Adult Sunday School 10:30 AM Faith Central	9 9:00 AM 3 Day Preschool 5:00 PM Community Meal 7:00 PM Joyful Vibrations	10 9:00 AM 2 Day Preschool 6:00 PM Preschool Comm. (Lounge) 6:30 PM Cub Scouts 7:00 PM Bible Study (L)	11 9:00 AM 3 Day Preschool 6:30 PM Praise Team 6:30 PM Boy Scouts 6:30 PM Cub Committee 7:00 PM Mid Week Service	12 9:00 AM 2 Day Preschool 6:30 PM Troop Committee 7-8:30 PM Red Lion/Felton Band Practice (FH)	13 9:00 AM 3 Day Preschool 6:00 PM Cubs-Pinewood Derby Set-up 6:00-8:00 PM Kids Night Out	14 9AM-4PM Pinewood Derby (FH)
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22 9:00 AM Worship 10:30 AM Adult Sunday School 10:30 AM Faith Central 4:00 PM Organ Concert/Sanctuary	23 9:00 AM 3 Day Preschool 7:00 PM Joyful Vibrations	24 9:00 AM 2 Day Preschool 6:30 PM Cub Scouts 7:00 PM Bible Study (L)	25 9:00 AM 3 Day Preschool 6:30 PM Praise Team 6:30 PM Boy Scouts 7:00 PM Mid Week Service	26 9:00 AM 2 Day Preschool 7-8:30 PM Red Lion/Felton Band Practice (FH)	27 9:00 AM 3 Day Preschool 6:00 PM Cubs-Pinewood Derby Set-up 6:00-8:00 PM God's Hang Out	28 9AM-4PM District Pine wood Derby (FH)
29 9:00 AM Worship 10:30 AM Adult Sunday School 10:30 AM Faith Central 1-7:00 PM David Craley Eagle Scout Program (FH & SS Rm.)	30 9:00 AM 3 Day Preschool 7:00 PM Joyful Vibrations	31 9:00 AM 2 Day Preschool 6:30 PM Cub Scouts 7:00 PM Bible Study (L)	1 9:00 AM 3 Day Preschool 6:30 PM Praise Team 6:30 PM Boy Scouts 7:00 PM Mid Week Service	2 9:00 AM 2 Day Preschool 7-8:30 PM Red Lion/Felton Band Practice (FH)	3 9:00 AM 3 Day Preschool 9:30 AM Preschool Field Trip (Nixon Park)	4 9AM-1PM Red Lion Jazz Band (Prep for meal & concert on 4/5)



ORGAN CONCERT

On our very own Moller Pipe Organ in the Sanctuary.

**The concert will be given by
Evan Mendez**

He is a trained organist and a Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Missionary working in this area. He has played various organs in this area, as well as the Mormon Tabernacle organ in Salt Lake City, Utah. Impressive!!

He stopped by here recently inquiring if we had a pipe organ. He played our organ and was very impressed with its tone and the acoustics within our sanctuary. Even though our organ is presently not at 100% due to water damage from a roof leak, he still wanted to give this concert because he loved the sound of it! Your administrative assistant has witnessed this young man play firsthand and can tell you that he plays smoothly and from the heart. He is able to play the old hymns and familiar sacred numbers to Bach. You will not want to miss hearing this exceptional organist!

**Mark your calendar:
Sunday, March 22, 2020
4:00 PM**

(A free-will offering will be taken to go towards repairs of this beautiful instrument)

