ST. PAUL'S CHURCH OF RED LION

2nd Sunday After The Epiphany January 14, 2024 – Pastor Chris Nauta *Please stand as able

Welcome & Life at St. Paul's (Announcements) **Prelude:** "Cornerstone" Amy Glock *Greeting The Lord be with you And also with you Let us praise our fearful and wonderful God. Wonderful are the works of the Lord! How precious are the thoughts of God! They are beyond our knowing. Praise the Lord! ***Opening Chorus:** "Come, Now is the Time to Worship" (Ushers will collect Prayer Requests during this time) Prayers of the People of God / The Lord's Prayer (debts) Children's Message: "Wandering in the Wilderness" Andrea Rider The Giving of God's Tithes and Offerings **Offertory:** "I Want To Know You" Praise Team *The Doxology #94 ***Prayer of Dedication** Scripture Lessons: Old Testament: 1 Samuel 3:1-10 **Epistle:** 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 *Gloria Patri #70

*Gospel Lesson: John 1:43-51

*Congregational Response

Sermon:	"Here I Am, Lord!"	
*Closing Chorus:	"Here I Am, Lord"	#593
*Benediction		
Postlude:	"It Is Well With My Soul"	Amy Glock

Children's Worship/Activities this morning. *Children may go with Lucy Brenneman following the Children's Message.*

Today's altar flowers

are to celebrate and honor God's creation. Like beautiful flowers call us to enjoy them, so God calls us into His service and obedience.

Those who serve this morning:

Lucy Brenneman, *Children's Worship* Amy Glock, *Clavinova/Piano* Eric Grove, *Head Usher* Matt Maskaly & Timothy Nauta, *Sound/Video Techs* Hap McDaniel, *Scripture Reader* Members of our *Praise Team* Andrea Rider, *Children's Message*

Just a reminder that you can submit prayer requests online through our

website (<u>www.saintpaulsredlion.com</u>). On the home page you will find a link to submit an online prayer request. When you fill out and submit it, the office and pastor will be notified about it. This is open to all, even those who are not a part of our church family.

Thank you so much to everyone who helped in any way with the New Years' Eve dinner: those who wrapped plasticware, pulled pork, setup, cleaned up, greeted and seated people, cooked, served and donated desserts. It took many hands to put this meal together and we received lots of thanks and compliments from those who attended. **There are leftover containers of pork and**

sauerkraut in the downstairs freezer if you would like to take some home to enjoy later. Help yourself. Donations are appreciated, but not necessary. *Wanda Strickler*

Mark your calendars! Pack 28 is having their annual Cake Auction here at St. Paul's again on Tuesday, January 23, 2024, starting at 6:00 PM. A flyer with all the details appears in your bulletin today.

January 16, 2024 – Pack 28 is having a special program in Fellowship Hall marking the 75th anniversary of their charter here at St. Paul's! They will be finalizing a Time Capsule that will be placed here at St. Paul's, which is to be opened on the 100th year anniversary of the charter in 2049. You are invited to attend this program at 7 PM if you care to witness some history happening here at St. Paul's.

<u> Preschool Story Hour</u> 🍅

Tuesday, January 16, 2024 10-11:00 am

Please join us for preschool story hour!

Provided by St. Paul's Preschool Committee *January Readers*: Ronda Vasellas and guest reader <u>Where</u>: St. Paul's Church Red Lion, 45 1st Ave. Red Lion <u>Who</u>: Children ages 2-5 (Must be accompanied by an adult) (Please enter through Preschool Door on side next to Community Reach)

The January issue of the York County Area Agency on Aging Newsletter is out on the table at the rear of the sanctuary. Please feel free to pick up a copy for your use.

Inclement Weather Policy – With winter weather upon us, we wanted to remind you of our policy. We will make every effort to have the church open, but if this is not possible, you will be notified through the following venues:

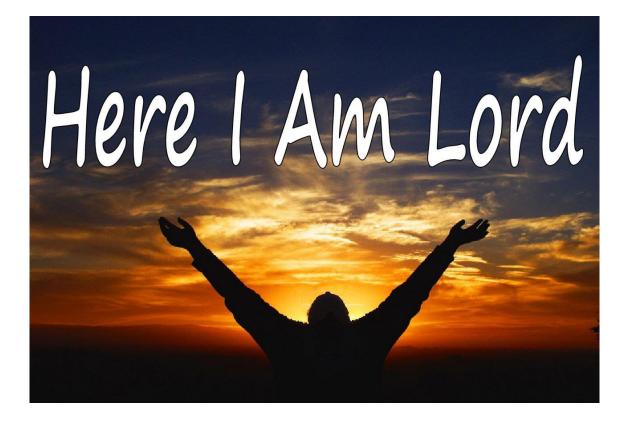
- \circ Mass email
- Facebook post
- \circ $\,$ Will be posted on ABC TV 27 Closing Notices $\,$

If you are unable to ascertain our status from any of the above, you can call Pastor Chris' cell phone at 570-529-3466. The bottom line is that each of you must decide for yourselves how safe it is to come to church. Please err on the side of caution.

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Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8:30 AM - 1:30 PM Phone: 717-244-2355 Fax: 717-417-2830 Pastor Chris Nauta – <u>PastorChrisNauta@gmail.com</u> Cell phone: 570-529-3466 Office email – <u>office@saintpaulsredlion.com</u> Website – <u>www.saintpaulsredlion.com</u>

Volunteer Opportunities for you.....

Flower and Bulletin Sponsors for 2024—The 2024 sign-up register is now in the church office on the desk if you want to reserve a date for the coming year. A 2-set of altar vases is still just \$40.00 and bulletin sponsorship is \$25.00. Please consider sponsoring a Sunday to honor or memorialize someone special in your life.

Ushers and Head Ushers are needed for our worship service

each week. Both ladies and gentlemen are welcome to participate. There is a sign-up sheet on the table at the rear of the sanctuary where you can sign up. Please consider helping out with this portion of our service so that our program is complete. Thank you.

Card Ministry – our visitation team has placed some cards in a box on the table at the rear of the sanctuary which you are encouraged to add a brief note in and sign for our shut-ins. St. Paul's will then put postage on these and mail them to brighten up their day between visits by our Pastor and the Visitation Team. While there may not always be cards there each week, please check the box regularly and write in them when there are some available. Won't you help to brighten up someone's day a little? Nothing to buy, but much to give someone for so little effort!

Scripture Readers - There is a sign-up sheet on the table at the rear of the sanctuary for the New Year. <u>Please consider signing up for these important portions</u> of our weekly worship service. Any questions you may have can be addressed to Pastor Chris or the church office. New faces are always welcome! Thank you for your participation!

An added feature to our website – under the Online Giving category, a "miscellaneous" option has been added. This feature can now be used if you wish to pay online for flowers, sandwich sales, special events – anything that is apart from the standard items listed there now. <u>Please note</u> that you will need to call or email the church office to let us know what the payment is for, as there isn't a way to indicate this information online. Thank you.

Please Note- Wi-Fi access in the church is now available <u>via the St. Paul's</u> <u>Guest</u> network. There is no password required.

Prayer Requests Reminder—If you have a prayer request you would like to share with Pastor Chris and/or the congregation, please fill out one of the cards located in the pews and hand it to one of the ushers during the opening hymn. The card also has a side where you can indicate if you want the request spoken in the service, or kept for private prayer time, please be sure to mark that as well.

Congregational Meeting is scheduled for January 21, 2024 following that morning's worship service. It will be held in the adult Sunday School room, with light snacks being available to munch on. This is not a meeting to decide whether we will be joining another denomination or remaining independent, but how we would like to see our church grow and how we can reach others in the community. Please join us as we develop our ideas for the direction for St. Paul's as a church. Prayerfully consider your input on this issue.

Adult Sunday School- Join us Sunday mornings for our Adult Sunday School class. From 9:00 to 9:40 AM, we meet in the Lounge. We are reading and discussing the book of Luke. Please let Pastor Chris know if you are interested or have questions.

Women In the Word will meet on Saturday, January 20th in the lounge from 9-10 AM. We will continue our study of Mark Chapter 9. All are welcome! *Mary Loyer*

Do you enjoy knitting, crocheting or sewing? You can put those skills to work to help others. Memorial White Rose Hospice is asking for donations of handmade scarves and blankets. They are especially in need of items for men. Veterans in particular love to receive anything in red, white and blue.

Another project is making soaker pads for the residents of Homewood Homes in Hanover. All you need to make them is a sewing machine, some flannel fabric and the ability to sew a straight (or almost straight) seam. Instructions and samples can be found on the table at the rear of the sanctuary.

If you don't have the time or the ability to make any of these items, but would like to donate yarn or flannel for others to use, that would be most welcome also.

There is a box at the rear of the sanctuary for you to put your donations of supplies or completed items. If you have any questions, see Emily Shellenberger or Wanda Strickler. Thank you very much.

When mailing something into the church, here is an example of how our address should appear on the envelope or package coming to us:

St Paul's Church of Red Lion 45 First Ave P O Box 250 Red Lion, PA 17356-0250

If the P. O. Box # is not in the address, your mail will be returned to you by the Post Office, causing delays and added re-mailing costs. Thank you for keeping this in mind as you send correspondence into St. Paul's.

The church office is requesting your help- if you know of a member of St. Paul's, or have a family member that is confined at home or to a health care facility, please make the office aware of this and where they are located. We have been trying to keep this list up-to-date, but do not want to overlook anyone or have incorrect information at hand. This list will be used for Pastor/member visitation, bulletin mailings (if asked for) and correspondence from St. Paul's - all to keep these folks connected to what's going on here. If these folks would like to receive a copy of the weekly bulletin, or The Upper Room devotional, let us know that as well and se will see that these are mailed to them. Also, if you would like to be a part of a visitation team forming here at St. Paul's, please see Pastor Chris or let the church office know, along with any information pertaining to shut-ins/home-bound members. To date, Joni Horne, Mary Loyer and Jodi Sprenkle have volunteered for this team. Thank you.

2024 Offering Envelopes- our offering envelopes are out on the table at the rear of the sanctuary for you to pick up. They are organized in alphabetical order for your convenience. In an effort to reduce waste and costs, we have re-assigned envelope numbers to some. Not all of you will see a change in your envelope number. Numbered envelopes that were not picked up last year have not been included in this year's order. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the church office. We hope that this does not cause you any inconvenience or problems – we are doing this to be fiscally responsible with our expenditures and eliminate the waste each year of unused envelopes that have to be discarded. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!

This Week's Activities at St. Paul's

- **Today:** Adult Sunday School 9-9:40 AM (lounge) Worship 10:00 AM 2nd Sunday After the Epiphany of the Lord
- Monday, Jan.15th: No Preschool (MLK Day)
- Tuesday, Jan. 16th:Preschool 9:00 AM
Cub Scouts 7:00 PM- 75th Anniversary Program (FH)
- Wednesday, Jan. 17th : Preschool 9:00 AM Joy-El Kids 1:30-3:00 PM (adult SS) Boy Scouts 6:30 PM (downstairs)
- Thursday, Jan. 18th: Preschool 9:00 AM Worship Team 7:00 PM (lounge) R.L./Felton Band Practice (FH)
- Friday, Jan. 19th: Preschool 9:00 AM Cubs Lock-In begins 6:00 PM (FH)
- Saturday, Jan. 20th: Cubs Lock-In ends 8:00 AM Women In the Word 9 -10 AM (lounge) Pinewood Derby Clinic 8 AM – 2 PM (FH)
- Sunday, Jan. 21st: Adult Sunday School 9-9:40 AM (lounge) Worship 10:00 AM 3rd Sunday After the Epiphany Congregational Meeting after Worship (adult SS)

Large print versions of today's bulletin are located on the back of the last pew at the rear of the sanctuary to the right side of the center aisle for your convenience. Please feel free to take one.

The 2023 Giving Statements are out on the table at the rear of the sanctuary for your convenience. They are in alphabetical order from the front of the box to the rear. Any of these still here after, Sunday, January 28th will be mailed out on Monday, January 29th. If you find any discrepancies with your statements, please advise the church office so they can be updated. Thank you.



Tuesday, Jan. 23th @ 6PM-8PM

St. Pauls Church 45 1st Ave. Red Lion, PA 17356



Proceeds benefit pack functions Cash and Check Only

Registration Starts @ 6PM



Pack 28 is hosting their annual cake auction. All are welcome.



Make a cake and experience the bidding wars to see how high your cake sells! Be creative and unique!



Auctioneer Andy Grothe Auctioneer LLC