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The Epistle

is a monthly publication of St. Paul's UCC.

Comments, suggestions, and submissions are welcome!

Sunday School @ 9:15 AM

Worship Services 8:00 & 10:30 AM.

Childcare available at 10:30 service

Maundy Thursday Service, April 18 @ 6:30 pm; Good Friday Service, April 19th @ 7:30 pm

Easter Sunday Sunrise Service, April 21st 6:30 am at Simpson Park

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FROM THE PASTOR

While it took Lent a while to get here, it is carrying us like a rushing river now. By the time you read this, there will only be three weeks before Holy Week.

Each year we encourage people to come to the special Services, and each year we maybe see a new face or two. I hope we might see a few more. Generally, folks who come once, come back because each of these Services fills in, gives greater meaning to our understanding of Holy Communion and Jesus' crucifixion. The Easter Sunrise Service is a unique way to begin the day, out of doors in the midst of the beauty and wonder of God's creation.

Maundy Thursday's Service is held in Fellowship Hall. We gather around tables of eight or so, share a light meal of soup, fruit and nuts. We engage each other in conversation. And we celebrate Communion in a way that may be somewhat like Jesus and his disciples first did so. We break bread, unleavened bread and we drink grape juice (they would have had wine) in the course of eating our meal. This reminds us that Jesus first celebrated what we call Communion during a Passover Meal which is a part of the Jewish tradition. Our two traditions are very intertwined, and it is crucial we remember that.

Our Good Friday Service happens in the evening. Some Congregations offer a similar Service from Noon to three PM, since that is generally believed to be when Jesus was first hung on the Cross until he died. Our Service is about an hour long, and we read what are called Jesus' seven last words (actually phrases) and meditations about them. We also sit in silence after each. We sing some hymns, our Chancel Choir sings, as do Jonne and Eric Dundore. It is a somber Service in dimmed light and shadows. Good Friday reminds us of what Jesus went through. The celebration of Easter is incomplete without recognition of Jesus' suffering and death.

The Sunrise Service happens, as the name suggests, as the sun rises. We gather at Simpson Park. The Youth lead our Service by a climbing rock which looks remarkably like a

tomb where the stone has been rolled away. We hear one of the stories of Jesus' Resurrection, we sing, we pray, and we go for a meditative walk (those who are able-some sit quietly). To hear the birds, listen to the Yellow Breeches, feel the wind and see the sun as it slowly rises is very moving. Yes, it is early, and yes, it is worth it.

Many of you know how wonderful our Easter Services are. This year we are eliminating the Hyacinths inside since they were causing an allergic reaction in some folks. Please let us know if you are bothered by anything like that. We will also be having our Easter Breakfast in between the early and late Services. People bring some of their most wonderful breakfast entrees to share. It is a wonderful time of fellowship.

I hope we will see new people at the special Services, and I hope we will see lots of folks, new and seasoned, on Easter. Let us celebrate our deepened relationships with God developed over Lent, and the joy of the Jesus' Resurrection, reminding us new life awaits us all, at the end of our physical lives and within our lives today.

Peace, Rev. John.

Interested in Joining St. Paul's

We will be receiving into our membership of St. Paul's United Church of Christ, people who have expressed their interest and spoken with me either individually or in a group setting. This will occur at the 10:30 Service on either Sunday April 14 or Sunday April 28. We are making final determinations based on people's availability.

If you are interested but still have not spoken with me, please do reach out to me and we can meet. We receive people at different times during the year, so there will be another chance, but I did want to reach out once more.

Any questions, please let me know.

Peace, Rev. John





THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYER:

Jim Adams (Mullin); **Agnes** (Allison); **Kevin Allison**; **Alvis** (Smith); **Kris Amtower**; **Wendy Anderson** (A. Thompson); **Anthonie & Family** (Trout); **Kim & Chris Antonucci** (Grice); **Joe Baker** (W.Wentz); **Jon & Nancy Barto & Family** (White); **Donald Beaver** (Keith); **Joann Bender**; **Jack Benoist** (Ritter); **Rev. Dr. Susan Bertolette** (A. Thompson); **Bill** (P. Miller); **Bill, Bob & Nancy** (Gabriel); **George Bingaman**; **Sarah Blumenschein and family** (Aumiller); **Nadine Boyer**; **Jim Bomberger**; **Chris & Tina Bowers**; **Joan Brenizer** (Rhoads); **Betty Breon**(S, Miller); **Brian** (Shearer); **Adriana Brice & Family** (Smith); **Missy Brouch** (Myers/Mihmet); **Debby Browning** (S. Miller); **Rev. Betsy Bruaw** (Stork-Whitson); **Anna Burns**; **Sophia Butler** (Knox); **Nancy Cabrera** (Runkle); **Beverly Caley** (Thorpe); **Marge Campbell** (Sharp); **Candace** (Stine); **Carl** (Bender); **Carol** (Riesmeyer); **Caroline** (Rhoads); **Marilyn Cenknner** (Stone); **Eddie Chandler** (Aumiller); **Cheryl** (Gabriel); **Kirt Chronister**; **Pat Cleland**; **Frankie Coluntuna** (Eichman); **Mary Lou Dallam** (Stone); **Dan** (Stone); **Darryl** (Carson); **Dorothy & Rev. Robert Davidson** (Layne); **Rita Davidson** (Plymette); **Deb & Ned**(A. Thompson); **Ethan Dixon & Family**; **Jim Dougherty** (Ritter); **Grace Drager**; **Allen Dreibelbis**; **Faye Dunne** (Mitchell); **Dixon & Peg Earley** (Rushong); **Eddie** (Kern); **Linda Eichelberger** (Chronster); **Elaysia** (Nalepka); **Jim Erb** (Kern); **Karen Erway** (Rushong); **Ann Farrell** (Gabriel); **Bob & Eve Fenner**; **Tom Figiel** (Weiser); **The Fowler Family** (Runkle); **Michelle Fox** (Knox); **Anne French** (Ward-Diorio); **Ron Gabriel**; **Lenny Gardner** (Shearer); **Paulette Garrison** (Bender); **Gary** (A. Thompson); **George** (B. Thompson); **Joyce Gerstenlauer** (Dundore); **Peggy & Dave Gilbert** (Sizemore); **Gina & Family** (Sharp); **Gloria** (Davinroy); **Harold Good** (Bomberger); **Betty Goodfellow** (Ritter); **Shirley Grammer**; **Jennifer Grove** (Ward-Diorio); **Jane Hall**; **Ed Haller** (Keith); **Bill Hanna** (Shea); **Gavin Harris** (Cowan); **Mike Hatz**; **Mandi Hannah** (Hoehn); **Phyllis Hershey**; **Joshua Holbrook** (Nolan); **Fenton Fox & Rick Holtzapple**; **Jay Houser** (Haagen); **Michele Hughes** (Murphy); **Chuck Hurley** (Fox); **Jamie** (Dundore); **Jane** (Ritter); **Jenny, Eric & Erica** (Lingenfelter); **Jessica** (Stine); **Joe** (Allison); **Marcia Johnson**(Stork-Whitson); **Jonathan & Karen** (Wirth); **Lily Jordan** (Mullin); **Juliette** (P. Miller); **Rev. Dr. Chris Kennedy** (Ward-Diorio); **Kim** (S. Kline); **Jeff & Lyle King**; **Dot Kinzer**; **Sandy Kline**; **Rich Kline**; **Shirley & John Knisely**; **Shirley Keith Knox**; **Randy Krepps**; **John Kulik & Family** (Aumiller); **Jean & John Layne**; **Bonnie Lengle** (B.Thompson) ;**Lenks Family** (Carson/Foukes); **Linda** (Bingaman); **Melanie & Jason Long** (M.Dundore); **Naomi Losch** (Endy); **Colin Loy** (White); **Kelly Lynch** (Wirth); **Irene Macconnell-Davinroy**; **Martin Malone** (Riesmeyer); **Cook Mann** (Davinroy); **Mariah** (Aumiller); **Mary** (Rhoads); **Phyllis Martz**; **Sean McDonald** (Rushong); **Linda Meola** (Roush); **Michel & Family** (Fox/Holtzapple); **Michelle & Family** (Mihmet); **Charles Miller** (Lloyd and Matthew's dad); **Mary Louise Miller**; **Lee & Connie Miller**; **Linda Miller**; **Melissa Miller** (Bender); **Roxanne & Steve**

Morgan (Dundore); **Wendy Mowery** (Aumiller); **Tammy Mullen & Family** (Allison); **Tommy Mullin**; **Jennifer Muthersbaugh** (Trout); **Patricia Nalepka** (Jon Nalepka); **Stephen O'Driscoll & Family** (Rushong); **David Ordonia** (Myers); **Marian Orihel** (Riesmeyer); **Linda Osborn** (Moore); **Ann Palazzo** (Weiser); **Lynne Patton** (Taylor); **Don Perry** (Ritter); **Ron Perry & Family** (Ritter); **Jim Pilsner** (Rhoads); **Nancy Prucha** (Hoehn); **Marion Quinlan** (Ward-Diorio); **Randy** (Bender); **Carl Raudabaugh** (A. Thompson); **Richard Reba** (Richenbacher); **Reed & Ziegler Families**; **Robert Reiner** (Bender); **Carol Rhoads**; **Jo Rice** (Rushong); **Joyce Rice** (Eichman); **Mike Riesmeyer**; **Paul Ringenbach** (Wirth); **Robert** (Sack); **Lisha Robertson & Family**; **Adam Rohrbaugh** (Bender); **Rosemary** (Simpson); **Bill Ross** (Mullin); **Jerry Roventini & Family** (Boyer); **Marian Royer**; **Benny Rushong**; **Sam** (Freeman); **Irv Sanders**; **Sarah & Tom** (Guelcher); **Tom Schiffgens**; **Rev. Glenn Schultz**; **Dennis Scouler** (Rushong); **Joyce Sealover** (Sutton); **Erin Shane** (Thorpe); **Maya Shapiro** (R.Thompson); **Rafe Shearer** (P. Miller); **Bill Siemon** (Warfield); **Mike Siemons** (Wood); **Andy Sislo** (Aumiller); **Conner Snow & Family**; **Jacob Snyder** (Wentz); **Sue Snyder** (Bowers); **Dick Sommers** (Stone); **James Sowell** (Sandy Kline); **Clarence, Nancy Steck & Donna Sterner**; **Barbara Sterner**; **Jon Still & Family** (Ward-Diorio); **Joanne Stine & Family**; **Sue** (Sizemore); **Briana Thomas**; **Cathy Thomas**; **Austin Tichenor** (Gladwin); **Linda Till**; **Todd & Family** (Morell); **Doug Townsend** (S. Miller); **Tracy** (Guelcher); **Tam Tran** (Eckman); **Craig Triplett** (Boyer); **Shannon Trout**; **Flo Turner** (B.Thompson); **George Tutino** (Boyer); **Tom Tuttle** (Trout); **Bill Utley** (Boyer); **Tom Van Hall & Family** (Sutton); **Roger VanLoan** (Ritter); **Ceci Viti** (Warfield); **Vicki** (Sizemore); **Anthony Warner**(Simpson); **John West** (Boyer); **John White**; **Rev. Jeff Whitman**(Velez); **Dave Wightman** (Trout); **Peg Wightman**; **Elaine Williams** (A. Thompson); **Rose Marie H. Williams** (Stone); **Fran Wolford**; **Beth & Steve Woods** (Riesmeyer); **Alexa, Lacey Worrall & Family** (Ward-Diorio); **Jacqueline Young** (Wentz); **Kevin Young** (A.Thompson); **Aimee Yowell** (Eichman)



Choir Schedule

- 4/07 8:00 am Chancel
- 10:30 am Youth
- 4/14 8:00 am Youth
- 10:30 am Chancel & Choristers
- 4/19 7:30 pm Chancel
- 4/21 8:00 am Youth
- 10:30 am Chancel
- 4/28 10:30 am Hand Chimes

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

GREETERS

- 4/07 8:00 Joan Moyer, Becky Thompson
10:30 Rhoda Rupp, Susan White
4/14 8:00 Joanne Miller, Terry Shaner
10:30 Dar Murphy, Kay Ohrin
4/19 7:30
4/21 8:00
10:30
4/28 8:00 Joann & Marshall Bender
10:30 Winnie & Darryl Wentz

LECTORS

- 4/07 8:00 Mary Runkle
10:30 Ron Chronister
4/14 8:00 Eric Dundore
10:30 Jane Wentz
4/21 8:00 Doug Jacobsen
10:30 Kathy Aumiller
4/28 8:00 Vonny Eckman
10:30 Kim Pirtle

USHERS

- Head Usher: Carol Sizemore
4/07 8:00 Herb Sutton, Melissa Cawley, Eric Dundore, Ernie Moyer, Mary Runkle
10:30 Susan Gabriel, Shawna Simpson, Gene Shaner, Dennis Plymette
4/14 8:00 Joann & Marshall Bender
10:30 Chris, Dave, Kateri & Josette Grice
4/21 8:00 Fenton Fox, Rick Ayers, Vic Brown, Eric Dundore, Floyd Gouse, Mike Gray
10:30 Dave Ritter, Bill Cashman, Deb Cashman, Gene Shaner, Art Williams, Mary Runkle, Lois Ritter
4/28 8:00 Becky Thompson, Connie Sutton
10:30 Carol Sizemore, Brandon Thomas, Vonny Eckman, Susan White

COMMUNION PREP

- 4/07 Intinction – Kay Ohrin, Steve Roush
4/21 Pew – Aumiller & Shaner

ACOLYTES

- 4/07 8:00
10:30 Ava Drazba
4/14 8:00 Evan June Pineo
10:30 Grace Simpson
4/21 8:00 Evan June Pineo
10:30
4/28 8:00
10:30 Becca Ward-Diorio

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS CONTINUED

FLOWER DELIVERY

- 4/07 Joan & Ernie Moyer
4/14 Terry & Gene Shaner
4/21 Jonneke Dundore
4/28 Mary Runkle

NURSERY

- 4/07 Martha Keith,
4/14
4/21 Sue Ward-Diorio,
4/28 Becky Thompson,

Please visit the church website to sign up for Acolyte, Flower Delivery, Greeter, Lectors, Nursery and Usher Duties. You will find the individual signup sheets under the "Serving Others" menu heading. Thank you. While there if you want to sign up for fellowship time – please do!



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| 02 Bill Cashman | 17 Heather McNeese |
| Taylor Garman | 19 Thomas Stavely |
| Peg Wightman | 20 Megan Kern |
| 07 Deb Kassahun | Xavier Sufrin |
| Suzanne Sentman | 22 Herb Sutton |
| 10 Shannon Laughery | 23 Timothy Kiner |
| Joanne Miller | Victoria Velez |
| 11 Becky Drazba | 24 Bridget Reemes |
| Jennifer McCorkel | Jordan Thompson |
| Kim Pirtle | 25 Sarah Murphy |
| 12 Julia Patton | 28 Danielle Baker |
| Matt Stumpf | Ron Gabriel |
| 16 Herb Bomberger | 30 Krista Bensel |
| Jim Paulus | Ally Moyer |



- 08 Sandi & Bill Sack
10 Rhonda and Jake Jacobsen
19 Shirley and Greg Knox
23 Mary and Jack Runkle
24 Jennifer and Mike McCorkel
27 Gail and Butch Parthree

It's Spring Cleaning Time!

The Red Team of the church's Building Committee is working on cleaning and sprucing up various public spaces in the church over the next few months. As part of the cleaning process, we'd love to understand what current storage spaces and needs the church has. We have reached out to committee chairpersons already, and now we are reaching out to anyone else who may currently store items in the church for various activities (think about your Sunday School class, youth group activities, cooking for different events, arts materials, worship or outreach items, etc.). *If you know of any items that are in storage, could you please contact Kathy Williams (717-979-9255) and Kim Pirtle (717-648-6424)?*

Here are questions to think about:

Does your committee/group have a particular storage area? And if so, where?

Does your committee/group have a particular room that is your primary room? Which one(s)? Is the storage area sufficient?

What would you want for your storage area? Or if you require a room, what would you want to be changed?

Do you want to help to clean/organize your current storage area? Or is your storage area already cleaned/organized?

We are hoping to clean the Parlor area, and the area outside of the parlor (lighted cabinet) first. By cleaning, we mean to take everything out of the room/closet/space, and then clean (vacuum, dust, wipe down, etc.) the area. We will return removed items to the space, assuming that the item is generally appropriate/clean/working/useful/etc. Items that seem to be questionable for that space will be evaluated. We're determining the specific evaluation process currently, but the church will have the opportunity to claim/find a home for any homeless items that are discovered.

Thanks in advance for any help you can offer. And let us know if you'd like to help in our cleaning efforts!

United Church of Christ Homes 24th Helping Hands Dinner & Auction – Saturday, May 4th, 2019 at the Hershey Country Club. Proceeds benefit the Benevolent Endowment Trust Fund. \$85.00 per person (\$45.00 charitable gift.) 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm Silent Auction & Social Time. 7:00 pm – Dinner – Live Auction to follow dinner. For reservations call 717-303-1502.

NEW HOPE MINISTRIES NEWS

Geranium Sale – Just a few days left to order geraniums! Order forms are on the New Hope bulletin board in the commons and should be returned to Karen or Kevin Allison, along with payment - cash or check payable to New Hope Ministries by **Sunday April 7th**. Flower pick up is at New Hope Ministries on Trindle Road, Mechanicsburg on Saturday May 11th between 9:00 am and 11:00 am.

\$ 100,000 Challenge – The Donald B. and Dorothy L. Stabler Foundation has challenged New Hope Ministries to raise \$100,000 to support their work of transforming lives at New Hope. When that goal is reached the Foundation will grant New Hope a \$100,000 gift. This means every dollar raised toward the goal will be matched – what an amazing blessing! New Hope has already raised just over \$76,000 towards the goal! Please prayfully consider making a gift that will be matched dollar-for-dollar to help your neighbors in need. Visit the website at www.nhm-pa.org and click on the \$100,000 challenge. You can make an online donation or to contribute with a check use attached form online and indicate \$100,000 challenge on the memo line. If you do not have access to a computer or printer and want to mail in a check, forms are available on the New Hope bulletin board. Any questions, see Karen or Kevin Allison.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING



One Great Hour of Sharing® is the Lenten Offering of the United Church of Christ that supports disaster, refugee, and development activities. St. Paul's will continue to accept donations for this UCC special mission offering thru Sunday April 7th.

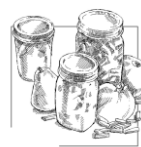
1st Annual Chili Cook-off...a BIG HIT!!

St. Paul's 1st Annual Chili Cook-off had 16 different chili entries. Thank you to all the wonderful cooks, who provided their delicious chilis. Thank you to all the helpers, from the set-up crew, the serving crew and clean-up crew. A special thank you to Tim Kern, cashier and Tim Davinroy, ballots, chips and providing direction. A few folks have asked where their chili placed...

1st	A	Terry Shaner
2nd	K	Dar Murphy
3rd	F	Deb Kassahun
4th	D	Missy Gates
5th	H	Patty Scott
6th	P	Maddie Sweeney
7th	N	Valerie Lill / Jones
8th	E	Carol Sizemore
9th	C	Melissa Cawley
10th	J	Joan Moyer
11th	L	Chris Bowers
12th	B	Brenda Kern
13th	M	Jonne Dundore
14th	G	Kathy Williams
15th	I	Mary Runkle
16th	O	Dia Sweeney

There were quite a few chilis that were only a few points apart!!! Great entries EVERYONE!!! Get those recipes ready for 2020 - 2nd Annual Chili Cook-off!!!

A Grand Total of **\$546.00** was made for St. Paul's on a Mission "Making Strides Against Breast Cancer." Thanks to all who participated!



Did you enjoy the canned goods you bought at the bazaar?

We hope so! Ernie's garden has turned us into 'canning-aholics.' We were able to donate numerous jars of jams, pickles, sauces, salsas, etc. to the bazaar again this past year. Due to the rising cost of jars and as a way to recycle, if you have no need for your empty jars and rims, please consider returning them to us for us to re-fill for next year's bazaar! There is a box under the table in the commons marked 'Canning Jars' for returns. *Thank you, Joan and Ernie Moyer.*

ST. PAUL'S ON A MISSION ISAAC'S FUNDRAISER

FRIDAY, MAY 17, 10:00 AM - 9:00 PM
VALID LUNCH AND DINNER! Rossmoyne Isaac's Restaurant and Bar (NEW NAME, SAME LOCATION) will be holding a "Community Night" to benefit St. Paul's on a Mission. Enjoy an evening out with your family & friends while supporting our fight to cure breast cancer. **25% of the cost of your meal goes directly to Making Strides Against Breast Cancer!**

Rossmoyne Isaac's Restaurant and Bar
 Rossmoyne Business Center, 4940 Ritter Rd., Mechanicsburg (Valid at this location only) Pick up a flyer on the table in the Common OR download a flyer from St. Paul's on a Mission's Facebook page. Bring it with you to Isaac's, complete the information, and hand it to the cashier when paying. The form can be used for Dine-In, Takeout & Online Orders at www.isaacsdeli.com.



Thank you to our wonderful congregation here at St. Paul's for the prayers, kind words, cards, and flowers we received over the last few months. The support you provided during Tom's brother Gordon's fight with cancer and eventually his death was so very helpful and appreciated. Thanks again – Tom & Betty Olsen.

Dear St. Paul's UCC Family, With all my heart, I would like to Thank You for shawls and prayers made for my nephew Matteusz (Matthew) Kott. Even if the things didn't go like we wanted and Matthew passed away on March 5th, 2018 at the age of 7; my brother, his wife and our entire family are thankful and grateful for your prayers. I am blessed by having such a good friend like Jane Reeder. And I am blessed to know Jane's family, especially her sister Joan Moyer. It is Joan who initiated the prayers for my nephew, Matthew. It is Joan and her good heart. Thank you, Joan! Thank you, St. Paul's UCC Family! Daria Kott.



THE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY - will meet at 1 PM Tuesday April 9th in the Parlor. The Prayer Shawls will be blessed at both services on Palm Sunday April 14th.



Community Garden Update –

Hey, Garden Volunteers!! We will be opening the Garden and getting it ready on Saturday, April 13th from 9AM to noonish. Please set aside that time to help us rototill, rake and get the area ready to do our seasonal planting. We will also plant some spring crops! Come and help us get all that done so we can have another successful growing year here at St. Paul's.

Pollyannas will be having their next lunch meeting 11:30 am, Tues, April 23 at Jukebox Diner on Carlisle Pike. If you are planning to attend please call Bonnie Plymette, 697-2938.

ST. PAUL'S ON A RUN - Join St. Paul's on the Run at the Race Against Racism supporting the YWCA's mission to eliminate racism, empower women and girls, and promote peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all. The 5K run/walk, which begins and ends at Soldier's Grove behind the State Capitol Building, will be held Saturday, April 27, 2019 beginning at 8:30 AM. Register at <http://www.ywcahbg.org/events/2019-race-against-racism#.XJkuBbhG2Uk>. Make sure you select St. Paul's on the Run as your team when you register. Contact Kathy Aumiller (717-580-6292 or kaumiller56@gmail.com) with any questions.



Spring Clean-up Day –

We are calling all volunteers to come and help us get the grounds here at St. Paul's spruced up on Saturday, May 4th from 9 AM to noon. Please wear your best clean-up clothes and bring your rakes and gloves along to get our exterior looking fresh and clean for the new season!! Look forward to seeing you!

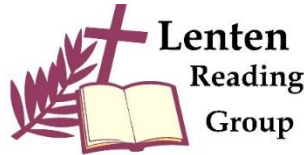
Hartman Center 12th Annual Golf Outing – Saturday May 11, 1:30 pm, Fairview Golf Course, Lebanon PA. Benefits Hartman Center Church Camp and Retreat Ministries & Camper Scholarships. \$80.00 Fee per golfer includes: 18 holes golf, power cart, hole contests and dinner. Register by April 26th @ www.hartmancenter.com or www.pccucc.org.



Everyone is Welcome and Invited to the Following Events



GRADUATION is quickly approaching. All college and high school graduates please turn a wallet size picture, graduation information (name, school and degree) and future plans into the church office by **May 20th** for St. Paul's graduation display. The pictures will be returned. Or if you prefer, email the information & pictures to stpaulstaff@outlook.com. We invite all to a Graduate Fellowship on Sunday May 26th following our one worship service that day at 9:15.



The Lenten Reading Group will be reading Howard Thurman's Jesus and the Disinherited in our

Lenten Reading groups this year. We will meet every Monday through Monday April 15. Two groups will meet each Monday, one at 1:00 PM and the other at 7:30 PM. You can go to either group. (estimated Questions, please speak with Rev. John or Pastor Allyssa.



Save the dates! Summer will be here before you know it, and with it, **Vacation Bible School!** This year's VBS will be unlike anything we've ever done before. Our entire VBS will be off-site at the Paulus

family's real working farm! Kids will get to interact with cows, pigs, goats, sheep, chickens, and more, all while learning about our faith and the ministry of the Heifer Project, an organization that helps to provide families across the world with the training and resources for sustainable farming in their own communities. **VBS will be June 17, 18, and 19th (rain date June 20th), 6:30-8:00 pm; preschool-5th grade.** Older kids are welcome to participate as youth helpers. Please mark these dates in your calendar now; your kids won't want to miss this incredible VBS on the farm!



Palm Cross Workshop Thursday April 11th, 5:30 pm in the Commons. Come join us and assist in making the crosses that

will be handed out on Palm Sunday. If you would like to practice on paper before coming, check with Terry in the office for the directions. No problem if you would rather wait till you come on the 11th. Come out, learn something fun to make and enjoy some fellowship at the same time. This is something all ages will enjoy. Questions, please see Rev. Anna Thompson.

Looking for helpers to help pin the crosses on before services on Palm Sunday – if you can help, please let Terry Shaner know.



Maundy Thursday Service: Thursday April 18th at 6:30 PM. Entire Service will be in Fellowship Hall focusing on the Last Supper. Light Meal served



Good Friday Service: Friday April 19th 7:30 PM Similar to the Tenebrae; light and shadow, readings, prayer and reflection



Easter Services at St. Paul's:

Early Service: 8:00 AM Worship with Pew Communion (*gluten free available*)
Late Service: 10:30 AM Worship with Pew Communion (*gluten free available*)



Easter Breakfast 9:15 AM St. Paul's Fellowship Hall
We hope you will join us at 9:15 AM in Fellowship Hall for our annual Easter Morning

Breakfast. Everyone is invited! Drinks and place settings will be provided. Ovens will be available to cook or warm hot items during the Early Service. Signup sheets are on the bulletin board in the commons. Please sign up so we have a count to set up for and also if you can assist with setup, serving/cooking or cleanup.

Again, this year, in order, to allow our clean-up crew enough time to get to the 10:30 worship or to go to family events elsewhere, we will be using paper plates and utensils therefore eliminating the need to wash anything. We ask that you bring your food in a disposable container or place your name on your container (lids included.) After the breakfast – the cleanup crew will clear the tables and move the dishes to the kitchen. If there is food remaining in the dish, it will be placed in the Fridge. Please remember to pick up your dish following the service.

Treasurer's Report – February 2019

Total income YTD February 2019 is \$70,973.34 total YTD expenses \$ 60,985.55 leaving a positive balance of \$ 9,987.79 at this point in time. A complete set of the minutes from the last Consistory meeting can be found on the bulletin board in the commons.



Easter Egg Hunt: Holy Saturday April 20th, 9:50 AM – meet in Fellowship Hall. Hunt will start promptly at 10 AM. All children, toddlers through

5th grades, are invited to come out and hunt Easter eggs. Bring a friend! Don't forget your bag or basket to carry your eggs in. Youth 6th Grades and older, if you would like to help with the hunt, please let Allyssa Boyer know!

Easter Egg Stuffers Needed: If you would like to help the Easter Bunny by donating candy (individually wrapped please) or other stuffers (small enough to fit inside an Easter egg), please place your donations inside the box on the table in the commons by Tuesday April 9th. CE will be meeting Wednesday April 10th at 6:30 in Fellowship Hall to stuff the eggs. If you would like to help stuff the eggs, please let Becky Thompson know – we appreciate the help!

Easter Sunday April 21st



Sunrise Service: 6:30 AM at Simpson Park Pavilion
Directions to Simpson Park: the park is in Upper Allen

Township, 4.5 miles from St. Paul's where the Yellow Breeches meets South York Rd. From Mechanicsburg, take South Market St. (Route 114) to where it intersects with Lisburn Road, at the bottom of the steep hill in Bowmansdale, continue straight through intersection (do not turn left onto RT 114 Lisburn Rd), you are now on South York Rd. Go under the railroad overpass and immediately make a left into Simpson Park's parking lot. The Pavilion is up the path on your right.