

**Saint Paul's Third Lutheran Church  
Easton, Pennsylvania 18045**



# The Herald

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**April Showers bring  
May Flowers!!**

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2561 Newberg Road  
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## **APRIL 2016**

*“Ask rain from the Lord in the season of the spring rain, from the Lord who makes the storm clouds, who gives showers of rain to you, the vegetation in the field to everyone.”* Zechariah 10:1

A young boy was working in his garden when the local pastor showed up. The young boy proudly described how he had tended to the garden and taken such good care of it in order that it would produce a good harvest. The pastor reminded him that it was God who provided the sun and the rain that brought the growth to the garden. To which the young boy replied, “Well, that may be true, but it wasn’t looking so great when God had it to himself.” It’s an old joke, but with a kernel of truth to it.

The month of April always makes me restless to begin the spring planting. I can’t wait to till the ground and plant the seeds and young seedlings. I add fertilizer and water the garden if it is needed but, for all my caring for it, I can’t make the plants grow. It’s not within my power to do so. That happens because of miraculous processes that God designed to take the water and nutrients from the soil and convert them into growth in the plant. I once sprayed some grass killer on some garden plants by accident and very quickly they started to die. The natural process of growth had been neutralized and no amount of fertilizer or water could reverse it. I didn’t have the power to make them grow again.

Poet Joyce Kilmer wrote that only God can make a tree, but God also enjoys when we human beings join in the ongoing act of creation by helping in the tending of the plants and trees around us. In the Creation story from the second chapter of Genesis, there are no plants or trees because there is no one to till the fields, so God creates human beings and places them in a garden that’s just been created, to till it and to keep it. We were made to be gardeners, to be close to the earth. Now some of you may just roll your eyes at the thought of getting your hands in the dirt to plant seeds or pull weeds, but there’s more to it than that. We are also called to be caretakers of this earth and its resources, as part of who God formed us to be. You may never plant a seed or a seedling in the ground in your life, but you still can be part of God’s care for our environment. April 22 is Earth Day, a day for all of us to remember what a precious gift this earth is and to commit ourselves to caring for it. Maybe you can help by: picking up trash alongside the road, buying local produce, going paperless on your bills, giving up bottled water, or any of a list of other things that can make a positive impact on our environment. God will bring the growth and the healing to this earth, but we can help.

*Pastor Chris*

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>SURPLUS/ (SHORTAGE)</u>
FEBRUARY	\$ 9,573.03	\$ 12,143.14	(\$ 2,570.11)
YEAR-TO-DATE	\$ 19,456.98	\$ 21,655.10	(\$ 2,198.12)

### **THANK YOU!**

- Janet Marshall thanks everyone for their cards and visits. "They are so much appreciated."

### **SPRING CLEANING**

On Saturday, April 16, there will a clean-up day here at the church. It begins at 9 AM and continues as long as energy levels hold. Our resident Boy Scout troop will help out also. You have your choice of jobs and you can come and leave when you want. Come on out and have a fun time while sprucing up our building and grounds!

### **SPRING PLANT SALE**

The snow is melted and hopefully the weather will warm up. It's time to start thinking about the colors of beautiful flowers and the taste of homegrown vegetables. Many of us enjoy the sense of fulfillment of growing our own garden. Look for the Spring Plant Sale information on the table in the Gathering Area. You simply choose what kinds of plants you want from a list, purchase a voucher, and then go directly to **Piazza's Farm** on Route 57 in Phillipsburg to select your own plants. A portion of the voucher along with your payment goes to Pattie Corcoran (you can put it in her mailbox). Plants will be available for pickup at the farm between **May 1 and June 10, 2016**. All proceeds from this will help off-set the cost of landscaping around the church. Please see Pattie Corcoran for further details.

### **AFTERNOON TEA**

The fourth annual Afternoon Tea will be held on Saturday, May 14, at 2 PM in Fellowship Hall. Ladies of all ages (please bring children and grandchildren) are invited to enjoy an afternoon of hot tea, finger sandwiches, desserts, and cold beverages. Entertainment will be provided by Pat Brisson, a local author of children's books. A good will donation will be accepted.

## SOCIAL MINISTRY

### **SECOND SUNDAY**

Please remember that the **second** offering received during worship on the second Sunday of each month is used to support various social ministry agencies and issues in our local community, Synod, E.L.C.A., and our world. **In March, we collected \$151.00 for Family Connections.** In April the recipient is **Bear Creek Camp.** Please continue to support these important programs.

### **SOUP COLLECTION**

We collected a total of **567** cans/packages of soup, which Pastor Chris delivered to 12 Baskets Full, the food bank at St. Paul's Lutheran Church on South Side.

### **COFFEE HOUR**

Please pick a Sunday to bake and/or host for this time of fellowship and friendship! There are still open slots in April and May.

## **SAVE THE DATE!**

**Thursday, June 16 – Iron Pigs at Coca Cola Park  
(game at 7:05 PM)**

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# APRIL

PARISH SECRETARY'S HOURS:  
Monday, Tuesday & Thursday:  
9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

## ***IN the EVENT of CANCELLATION***

If it is necessary to cancel some of our activities, for whatever reason, please tune in to WFMZ, channel 69 on your TV, or call the church office and select option 226.

## ***EMAIL ADDRESSES / WEB PAGE***

Office: [sp3office@rcn.com](mailto:sp3office@rcn.com)  
Pastor Chris: [sp3pastor@rcn.com](mailto:sp3pastor@rcn.com)

Bill Ritchie always keeps our web page current. If you have information you want added to the page, email Bill at [billritchie@rcn.com](mailto:billritchie@rcn.com). The *Herald* is also available on-line at [www.stpaulsthird.org](http://www.stpaulsthird.org)

**The *HERALD* DEADLINE for  
MAY is APRIL 20.**

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Cut out the following information and keep it in your wallet!

**St. Paul's III Lutheran Church  
2561 Newburg Road, Easton, PA 18045  
(610) 258-0875  
Pastor Chris Druckenmiller  
emergency contact: (610) 331-6717**

Hospital Codes:

*Easton: L35*

*St. Luke's: 316*

*Lehigh Valley, Allentown General, Muhlenberg: 316*

If you are admitted to the hospital, please give them our code so they can notify us of your admittance. A family member should still inform the church office so visitation arrangements can be made.

# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

## **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

Vacation Bible School will be held during the week of June 20-24. This year's theme is **Cave Quest**. Any children ages four through 4<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome. There are flyers and registration forms on the table in the Gathering Area. We also need teachers and helpers. If interested, see Kelly Aldinger.

## **BOOKCASE/BOOKRACK**

Our collection of Christian fiction and non-fiction literature has over-filled our book shelves once again! Many readers donate their favorite books for others to read. The bookcase is located in the Narthex. We accept donations of books but only Christian-based literature. Take time to browse through the selection. If you find something you like, feel free to borrow it and return it when you are through. We have expanded the library by adding another smaller book-case which contains several children's books along with adult non-fiction.

*Christ in Our Home*, a daily devotional booklet which is taken to our homebound members by the visitation teams when they take communion, is very popular with our members and can be found in the bookrack near the front door. There is also other timely reading material in that rack.

# COMMUNITY GROWTH & FELLOWSHIP

## **HOAGIES, HOAGIES, HOAGIES!**

The Hoagie Sale is an ongoing fundraiser. Tickets for hoagies from Noto's Deli can be purchased from Shirley Stillo for \$5 each. Are you aware that they offer many types of hoagies and will also make them to your specific preference? Please continue to support this fundraiser.

## **PRAYER HEALING BLANKETS**

The Healing Blanket Ministry here at St. Paul's III is for everyone—whether a church member or not. The idea behind the blanket is that the person be healed in body, mind, and spirit. They are on the center table in the Narthex. Please sign the green book when you take one.

## ***FOOD BANK DONATIONS***

Remember to bring canned and non-perishable goods for three area food banks—ProJeCt, Salvation Army, and St. Paul's Lutheran South Side ("12 Baskets Full").

There is a list of needed items next to the Food Bank basket on the table in the Gathering Area.

## ***CENTER for ANIMAL HEALTH and WELFARE***

The Center (formerly the SPCA) is always in need of towels, sheets, blankets, kitty litter, cat and dog food, laundry detergent, bleach, etc. It depends almost solely on donations for its operation.

Remember, animals are no longer euthanized unless absolutely necessary (illness, history of bad behavior). If you need any items picked up, contact Georgi Weiser.

## ***ST. PAUL'S STITCHERS***

This small group meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 9 AM in Fellowship Hall. A knowledge of sewing is not required. We make tie-quilts which are donated to Safe Harbor.

We also prepare and deliver a lunch for Safe Harbor on that day. Please join us for a morning of fellowship and fun!



## ***EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY***

Lutheran Manor Apartments, a vibrant senior living high-rise on Westgate Drive in Bethlehem, is looking for a responsible couple who would serve as on-site security after hours (including holidays and weekends). This includes being the contact person for fire or emergency needs, minor maintenance problems, as well as ensuring that the building entrance doors and lighting are maintained. The job includes free rent of a two bedroom apartment, a small negotiable salary, and several other perks.

If interested, call Lutheran Manor's property manager, Courtney Doheny, at 610-866-6010 or email:

[Courtney@lutheranmanor.com](mailto:Courtney@lutheranmanor.com).

***HOMEBOUND MEMBERS from  
ST. PAUL'S THIRD***

<b>Doris Adams</b> 610-252-0405	2024 Ealer Avenue Easton, PA 18042	<i>Birthday:</i> May 17, 1928
<b>Decima Assise</b>	The Easton Home 1022 Northampton Street Easton, PA 18042	<i>Birthday:</i> Jan. 20, 1934
<b>Walter Auch</b> 610-746-1274 256-497-4244 (cell)	Moravian Hall Square 175 W. North Street Nazareth, PA 18064	<i>Birthday:</i> Oct. 19, 1920
<b>Jack &amp; Kathleen Bennett</b>	Country Meadows 4100 Green Pond Rd., #151 Bethlehem, PA 18020	<i>Birthdays:</i> Jack: March 11, 1927 Kathleen: Jan. 16, 1926
<b>Lillian Bethman</b> 610-515-0500	Weston Senior Living at Sullivan Trail 2222 Sullivan Trail, Room 211 Easton, PA 18040	<i>Birthday:</i> Apr. 11, 1916 <b>(100<sup>th</sup> birthday)</b>
<b>Grete Hollesen</b> 610-837-6257	14 Woodsbluff Court North Bath, PA 18014-8203	<i>Birthday:</i>
<b>Lee Litzenberger</b> 610-253-2855	357 N. Nulton Avenue Easton, PA 18045	<i>Birthday:</i> July 5, 1930
<b>Ruth Marcavia</b> 610-248-9348	Old Orchard Manor Care 4100 Freemansburg Ave., Room 234 Easton, PA 18045	<i>Birthday:</i> April 7, 1920
<b>Janet Marshall</b>	Gracedale – SE 2, Room 1 2 Gracedale Ave. Nazareth, PA 18064	<i>Birthday:</i> April 26, 1930
<b>Mae Shimer</b> 610-588-7731	1016 Miller Road Nazareth, PA 18064	<i>Birthday:</i> Dec. 16
<b>Reuben Spurrier</b> 610-248-5631	2351 Fourth St., Avona Hghts. West Easton, PA 18042	<i>Birthday:</i>
<b>Rosa Stout</b> 610-438-1663	Abington Manor 215 Cedar Park Blvd., Room 212 Easton, PA 18042	<i>Birthday:</i> April 3, 1925
<b>Elverna Turner</b>	Gracedale – Tower 10, Rm C-1 2 Gracedale Avenue Nazareth, PA 18064	<i>Birthday:</i> Sept. 3, 1931



# Schedule of People

## Sewing in

## **APRIL**

### **APRIL 3                      10 AM – HOLY HUMOR SUNDAY**

Acolyte                      *Adult Volunteer*  
Ushers                      John & Joyce Gosch, Joy Sales,  
   Daryle Davidson  
Lay Reader                Stephanie Druckenmiller  
Communion Assts.      Bruce & Karen Fretz,  
   Stephanie Druckenmiller  
Prayer Partner                      Margaret LaDuca  
Greeter                      Shirley Stillo  
Counting Team # 2 B

### **APRIL 10                      10 AM – EASTER 3**

Acolyte                      Bethany Druckenmiller  
Ushers                      Vincent Guiducci, Tyler Aldinger,  
   Sallie Smull, Joy  
Sales  
Lay Reader                Al Arthur  
Communion Assts.      Cheryl Nielsen, Al & Barbara Arthur  
Prayer Partner                      Carol Jiorle  
Greeter                      Ron Pflugler  
Counting Team # 3 B

### **APRIL 17                      10 AM – EASTER 4**

Acolyte                      *Adult Volunteer*  
Ushers                      Jim & Laura Dorsa, Shirley Stillo,  
   Bev Brodhead  
Lay Reader                Rich Weiser  
Communion Assts.      Margaret LaDuca, Harold & Betsy Ziegler  
Prayer Partner                      Stephanie Druckenmiller  
Greeters                      Pattie & Ned Corcoran  
Counting Team # 4 B

**APRIL 24**

**10 AM – EASTER 5**

Acolyte	<i>Adult Volunteer</i>
Ushers	Barbara Miller, Carol English, Georgi & Rich Weiser
Lay Reader	Eileen Pfeffer
Communion Assts.	Stephanie Druckenmiller, Jeff & Micki Stout
Prayer Partner	Bev Brodhead
Greeters	Margaret & Bob Ronn
Counting Team # 1 A	

*Schedule of People*

*Sewing in*

**MAY**

**MAY 1**

**10 AM – EASTER 6**

Acolyte	<i>Adult Volunteer</i>
Ushers	John & Joyce Gosch, Daryle Davidson, Tyler
Aldinger	
Lay Reader	Tyler Aldinger
Communion Assts.	Micki Stout, Bev Brodhead, Georgi Weiser
Prayer Partner	Margaret LaDuca
Greeter	Shirley Stillo
Counting Team # 2 A	

# APRIL

## BIRTHDAYS

2	Gloria Krenik	14	Joan Shultz
3	Katie Corcoran	16	Marissa Elias
	Rosa Stout	21	Robin Moran
4	Chaudene Michalek	24	Garret Taff
6	Alex Adams	26	Marvin Frankenfield
	Dylan Adams		Janet Marshall
7	Ruth Marcavia (96)		Catherine Nicholson
9	Tessa Romano	27	Courtney Compton
	Cheryl Warg		Franklin Vinson, Jr.
11	<b>Lillian Bethman (100)</b>		
	Pat Steckel		

## ANNIVERSARIES

4/03/54	Harold and Ann Adams
4/04/59	Ed and Dolores Dean
4/05/86	Kevin and Kimberlyn Siedt (30)
4/10/54	Franklin and Joyce Vinson Jr.

*We apologize if we missed your birthday or anniversary.  
Please notify the office... we don't want to repeat this oversight.*

# St. Paul's Third Lutheran Church

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Pastor's e-mail: [cdrucken1@gmail.com](mailto:cdrucken1@gmail.com)

## Church Staff

Pastor	The Rev. Chris Druckenmiller
Music Director	Nancy Broadbent
Parish Secretary	Sallie Smull
Sexton	Carol Bell

## Church Council and Officers

Kelly Aldinger	President / Christian Ed / Worship & Music / Sunday School / VBS	610-250-1911
Daryle Davidson	Vice President / Stewardship	610-905-5991
Micki Stout	Secretary / Community Growth & Fellowship / Mutual Ministry	610-252-1584
Ed Becker	Scouts Chair	610-253-4470
Betty Buckley	Social Ministry / Community Growth & Fellowship	610-252-8896
Vincent Guiducci	Property Co-Chair	610-248-9956
Margaret LaDuca	Worship & Music Chair	610-252-4369
Ron Pflugler	Property Co-Chair	610-837-1831
Joy Sales	Social Ministry / Community Growth & Fellowship	610-253-0022
Mike Smallets	Stewardship Chair / Financial Strength	610-972-0605
Brenda Van Horn	Worship & Music	610-252-4017
Tom Young	Financial Strength Chair / Property	610-258-1321

## Committee Lay Chairs and Volunteer Staff

Sarah Frey	Treasurer / Financial Strength	610-905-7474
Cheryl Nielsen	Financial Secretary / Social Ministry Chair	610-253-7867
Bev Brodhead	Asst. Financial Secretary	610-258-9935
Pattie Corcoran	Office Assistant	610-559-0485
Joe DeRogatis	Property	610-559-0927
Catherine Nicholson	Altar Care Supplies	610-258-8308
Stephanie Druckenmiller	Community Growth & Fellowship Chair	610-837-2457