

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



# The Herald

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## **MAY 2016**

*“And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and It filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them.” Acts 1:2-3*

The story of Pentecost is one that is so familiar to most of us that we breeze right through it, especially the part with the names of all the different countries, half of which we can't pronounce. These first two verses set up the scene and then we're ready to get into the heart of the passage. We might read these quickly because, really, it's just background material, not really important. But did you catch that last part, the part where it says “on *each* of them”? It doesn't say on *some* of them. It doesn't say on *most* of them. It says on *each* of them. No one was excluded from receiving the gift of the Holy Spirit. Those disciples gathered in that one place were each filled with the Spirit and started to speak in different languages so that everyone who was there in Jerusalem heard the message of Jesus' death and resurrection being spoken to them in the language they knew best. And I'm sure their ministry didn't end there. The gift of the Spirit wasn't a one-time occurrence just so they could speak that day. It's something that stayed with them the rest of their lives and pushed them on to continue the ministry of spreading Jesus' message to the whole world.

What about us? When we are baptized we are also promised the gift of the Holy Spirit, to live inside of us and empower us for service to God and to others in the world. Now most of us don't immediately start speaking in some foreign language, but we are given gifts, gifts that are intended to be used for ministry, gifts like: administration, discernment, evangelism, faith, giving, leadership, serving as helpers, hospitality, and the list goes on. All of these are gifts that are given to us to be used, not hidden away, and each of us is gifted; not some of us, or most of us, but each of us. Maybe you don't see a tongue of fire resting on you, but maybe you feel something like a fire burning within you, pushing you to do something of service to others. Maybe that's your spiritual gift, burning to get out into the world and do what God intended for you to do.

*Pastor Chris*

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>SURPLUS/ (SHORTAGE)</u>
MARCH	\$ 14,120.91	\$ 9,455.93	\$ 4,664.98
YEAR-TO-DATE	\$ 33,577.89	\$ 31,111.03	\$ 2,466.86

### **THANK YOU!**

- Pat Steckel and her mother Lillian Bethman “thank everyone for all the birthday cards. It was very much appreciated.”
- Donna Duckworth, Treasurer of Church Women United, writes: “The members of CWU Easton PA Chapter appreciate the use of your church for our weekly Lenten services. Thanks to you we were able to donate \$489.00 to the Boys & Girls Club of Easton as well as to support our “mothers” at the national and state conventions. May God continue to bless you and keep you—a beacon to us all.”

### **SPRING PLANT SALE**

Spring is finally here and it's time to think 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. The Church Copy 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 for further details.

### **LOOKING for ALL 2016 GRADUATES!**

We want to recognize all our graduates! If you or someone in your family is graduating, please contact the church office with pertinent information (name of graduate, school/college, date, type of degree, future plans).

## ***SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE***

Beginning on Sunday, June 5, we will change to our summer schedule of worship at 9 AM. There will be coffee hour on that day but from then until September, there will be no coffee hour. Sunday School ends on May 22.

## ***RENEWAL of VOWS***

On Sunday, June 12, during the regular morning worship service at 9 AM, we will have a special ceremony for all married couples to renew their vows to one another. Whether it's been a recent wedding, or more years than you can count, renewing our vows of love to one another is a wonderful way to rejoice in the gift of marriage and to celebrate the love that we share with our spouse. We'll be doing a few things to make the day special for those who are renewing their vows so, if you are interested in participating, please sign up on the sheet on the Information Table in the Narthex. We will also celebrate after the service with a reception of wedding cake and coffee for everyone in Fellowship Hall. Please join us for this memorable event!

## ***UPDATING MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION***

It's that time of year when a lot of families are experiencing changes. Children are graduating from high school or college. Some are getting married. And with those changes, there are often changes in address. We've noticed that some of the families listed in our directory still show children with the same address as their parents, even though they no longer live with them. We'd like to get current household information for all of our members so that we can continue to keep in touch with them through the monthly *Herald* and other mailings. If your children have established their own households, please let the church office know so that we can update our records with their new address and phone number.

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

The Stitchers are in need of clean, used mattress pads or soft blankets to be used as filler for the tie-quilts. If you have any to donate, please bring them to the secretary's office.

## **SOCIAL MINISTRY**

### **IRON PIGS GAME**

On Tuesday, June 14, we are planning a trip to Coca Cola Park to see the Iron Pigs game. It starts at 7:05 PM; tickets are \$10 each, which includes a \$2 food voucher. There will be free soccer balls offered to the first 1,000 kids (17 and under). There is a sign-up sheet on the Information Table in the Narthex. See Cheryl Nielsen for more information.

### **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 April, we collected \$137.00 for Bear Creek Camp. In May the recipient is the **ELCA Malaria Project**. Please continue to support these important programs.

### **2016 INGATHERING**

The Bethlehem/Easton Mission District Ingathering will be held on Wednesday, December 7, 2016. Our designated item is diapers, size 4-5. We need to collect at least 25 dozen. There will be a collection basket in the Gathering Area soon.

### **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) is always in need of towels, sheets, blankets, kitty litter, cat and dogfood, laundry detergent, bleach, etc. They are also presently requesting office supplies. 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.

# MAY

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  
the *JUNE/JULY* issue is MAY 18.**

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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 from 9 AM to 11:30 AM.

This year's theme is **Cave Quest**. All children ages four through 4<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome.

There are flyers and registration forms on the table in the Gathering Area. Volunteers are needed!. See Kelly Aldinger for more information. Registration is available online at:

[www.stpaulsthird.org/vbs](http://www.stpaulsthird.org/vbs)

## **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.

## **CHILD CARE . . .**

. . . for children age five and under will be offered on the first and third Sundays of each month during the church service.

## **LOST and FOUND**

Don't forget to check the box on the far table in the Narthex for anything you may be missing. You never know what items that you have not been able to locate might turn up there!

# COMMUNITY GROWTH & FELLOWSHIP

## **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.

## **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. As of March 31, only 16 hoagies were sold for a profit of \$32.00. With summer coming, hopefully sales will pick up. 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.

## **AMBASSADORS CLUB of ST. PAUL'S THIRD**

The Ambassadors Club is an over-50 group which meets the third Monday of each month at 1 PM at the Chrin building on Green Pond Road. They have a variety of speakers and entertainment and many trips are available for members. If you are interested in joining this energetic group, please contact the president, Angelo Trinchere, at 610-258-6916.

## **HOMEBOUND MEMBERS**

Please take a few moments to remember our home-bound members, either by calling, sending a note or card, or paying a visit. It seems like such a little thing to us but it means so much to them. An updated list follows on the next page.



## ***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., Bldg. 5, 2 <sup>nd</sup> fl, Room 501 Bethlehem, PA 18020	<i>Birthdays:</i> Jack: March 11, 1927 Kathleen: Jan. 16, 1926
<b>Lillian Bethman</b> 610-515-0500	Weston Senior Living 2222 Sullivan Trail, Room 211 Easton, PA 18040	<i>Birthday:</i> Apr. 11, 1916 (100 <sup>th</sup> birthday)
<b>Charlie Brown</b>	Atria Assisted Living 1745 W. Macada Rd., #149 Bethlehem, PA 18017-3575	<i>Birthday:</i> June 9, 1924
<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>Jo Madson</b>	1857 Ferry Street Easton, PA 18042	<i>Birthday:</i> Feb. 17, 1928
<b>Ruth Marcavia</b> 610-248-9348	Old Orchard Manor Care 4100 Freemansburg Ave., # 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 (see above for address)	<i>Birthday:</i> Sept. 3, 1931

## ***VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES***

There are many ways to share your talents at St. Paul's Third and all are welcome to join in any of the programs and/or committees.

Here are some of the opportunities available:

Committee Involvement – Church Council Member, Christian Ed, Community Growth & Fellowship, Financial Strength, Mutual Ministry, Property, Social Ministry, Worship & Music

St. Paul's Choirs – Senior Choir, Bell Choir, Praise Band

Worship Assistants – Greeters, Ushers, Lay Readers, Communion Assistants, Prayer Partners, Altar Guild

Parish Care Team – Monthly home-bound communion visits

Stitchers – Sewing group which makes tie quilts for the homeless and lap robes for Gracedale. A knowledge of sewing is not necessary. They also prepare a lunch for Safe Harbor on the first Wednesday of each month

Coffee Hour – Bake and/or host a Sunday morning social hour (sign-up sheet on standing Bulletin Board in Narthex)

Meals-on-Wheels – Monthly delivery of meals to home-bound (contact Cheryl Nielsen who will pass your name on to Janet Marshall, coordinator)

Wednesday Work Group – General upkeep of building

Gardening – General maintenance of flower beds, etc.

Church Nursery/Sunday School – help with small children

As you can see, there is something for everyone. Please speak to Pastor Chris or any of the council members for more information.

# *Schedule of People Serving in*

## **MAY 1                      10 AM – EASTER 6**

Acolyte                      *Adult Volunteer*  
Ushers                      John & Joyce Gosch,  
                                 Harold & Betsy Ziegler  
Lay Reader                      Tyler Aldinger  
Communion Assts.              Micki Stout, Bev Brodhead, Georgi Weiser  
Prayer Partner                      Margaret LaDuca  
Greeter                      Shirley Stillo  
Counting Team # 2 A

## **MAY 8                      10 AM – EASTER 7**

Acolyte                      *Adult Volunteer*  
Ushers                      Daryle Davidson, Tyler Aldinger  
                                 Sallie Smull, Joy Sales  
Lay Reader                      Joan Shultz  
Communion Assts.              Cheryl Nielsen, Bev Brodhead,  
                                 Daryle Davidson  
Prayer Partner                      Carol Jiorle  
Greeters                      Ed & Sue Becker  
Counting Team # 3 A

## **MAY 15                      10 AM – PENTECOST**

Acolytes                      Vincent Guiducci, Bev Brodhead, Micki  
Stout  
Ushers                      Jim & Laura Dorsa, Betty Buckley,  
                                 Daryle Davidson  
Lay Reader                      Jordan Druckenmiller  
Communion Assts.              Margaret LaDuca, Bev Brodhead, Micki  
Stout  
Prayer Partner                      Stephanie Druckenmiller  
Greeters                      Jim & Kitty Van Horn  
Counting Team # 4 A

<b><u>MAY 22</u></b>	<b><u>10 AM – HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY</u></b>
Acolytes	Ned & Pattie Corcoran, Margaret LaDuca
Ushers	Barbara Miller, Carol English, Georgi & Rich Weiser
Lay Reader	Rich Weiser
Communion Assts.	Stephanie Druckenmiller, Harold & Betsy Ziegler
Prayer Partner	Bev Brodhead
Greeter	Sandy Matyger
Counting Team # 1 B	

<b><u>MAY 29</u></b>	<b><u>10 AM – PENTECOST 2</u></b>
Acolyte	Bethany Druckenmiller
Ushers	John & Joyce Gosch, Shirley Stillo, Bev Brodhead
Lay Reader	Jordan Druckenmiller
Communion Assts.	Stephanie Druckenmiller, Micki Stout, Georgi Weiser
Prayer Partner	Margaret LaDuca
Greeters	Ron Pflugler
Counting Team # 2 B	

## *Schedule of People Serving in*

<b><u>JUNE 5</u></b>	<b><u>9 AM – PENTECOST 3</u></b>
Acolyte	<i>Adult Volunteer</i>
Ushers	Betty Buckley, Sallie Smull, Vincent Guiducci, Carol Jiorle
Lay Reader	Carol Jiorle
Communion Assts.	Margaret LaDuca, Al & Barbara Arthur
Prayer Partner	Carol Jiorle
Greeters	Shirley Stillo
Counting Team # 3 B	

# MAY

## BIRTHDAYS

4	Betsy Ziegler	19	George Harley Sr.
7	Carol Jiorle	21	Kitty Van Horn
13	Amber Loveland	22	Pete Warg
16	Ryan Neel	25	Mary Ann Short
17	Doris Adams	26	Judy Perry
18	Joseph Allen	27	Niko Harris

## ANNIVERSARIES

5/2/87	Todd & Jackie Aldinger
5/3/91	David & Laurie Reagle (25)
5/11/68	Harris & Kathy Grier
5/18/89	Harold & Betsy Ziegler
5/19/90	Robert & Amy Mowry
5/20/72	Bruce and Karen Fretz
5/20/78	David & Kay Sutton
5/21/55	Marvin & Janet Frankenfield
5/23/59	Wayne & Nancy Sandt
5/23/09	Ed & Melissa Van Horn Jr.
5/24/58	Bill & Ginger Ritchie
5/26/85	Steve & Lynne Neel

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