



Second Sunday after Epiphany—January 16, 2022

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

14 West Pennsylvania Avenue, Walkersville, Maryland 21793

Worship Service LIVE—9:25 a.m.

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SERVING TODAY

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PRELUDE

CHURCH BELLS RUNG

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Most merciful God,

C: **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the **†** Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

*SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The Peace of Christ be with you

C: **And also with you.**

GATHERING HYMN.....Now We Join In Celebration.....ELW 462

1 Now we join in celebration
at our Savior's invitation,
dressed no more in spirit somber,
clothed instead in joy and wonder;
for the Lord of all existence,
putting off divine transcendence,
stoops again in love to meet us,
with his very life to feed us.

3 Lord, we share in this communion
as one fam'ly of God's children,
reconciled through you, our brother,
one in you with God our Father.
Give us grace to live for others,
serving all, both friends and strangers,
seeking justice, love, and mercy
till you come in final glory.

2 Lord, as round this feast we gather,
fill our hearts with holy rapture!
For this bread and cup of blessing
are for us the sure possessing
of your loving deed on Calv'ry,
of your living self, our vict'ry,
pledge of your unfailing presence,
foretaste here of heav'nly gladness.

***GREETING (ELW, p. 147)**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

KYRIE (ELW, p. 147) (Sung)

L: In peace let us pray to the Lord

C: **Lord, have mercy**

L: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy**

L: For the peace of the whole world, for the well being of the church of God and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

L: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

L: Help, save, comfort and defend us gracious Lord.

C: **Amen.**

****HYMN OF PRAISE (ELW, p. 149)**

L: This is the feast of victory for our God, Alleluia.

C: **Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and blessing and glory are his. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Sing with all the people of God and join in the hymn of all creation. Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

***PRAYER OF THE DAY:**

P: Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Generosity Speaks.....Thrift Shop—Mitzi Smith and Geraldine Hills

Choir.....The King of Love My Shepherd IS.....ELW 502

FIRST READING: Isaiah 62:1-5

C: Thanks be to God

PSALM: Psalm 36

⁵Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens,
and your faithfulness to the clouds.

⁶Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your
justice like the great deep;
you save humankind and animals, O Lord.

⁷How priceless is your love, O God!
**All people take refuge under the shadow of
your wings.**

⁸They feast upon the abundance of your house;
**you give them drink from the river of your
delights.**

⁹For with you is the well of life,
and in your light we see light.

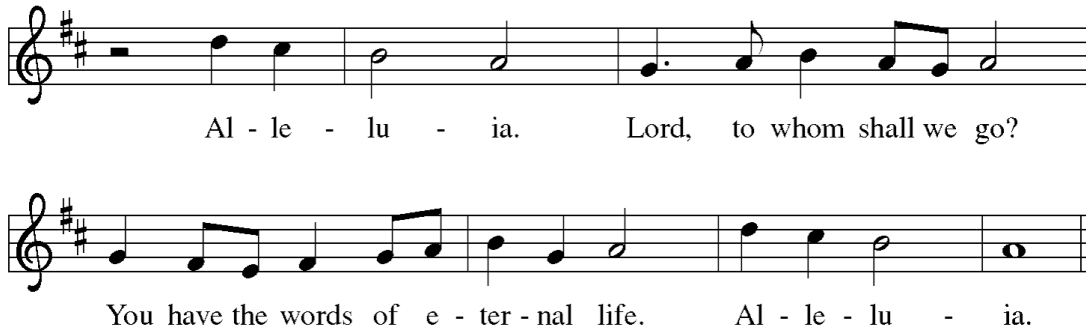
¹⁰Continue your lovingkindness to those who know you,
and your favor to those who are true of heart.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

L: The Word of the Lord

C: **Thanks be to God**

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELW, p. 151)



The Holy Gospel according to John the second chapter

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.** (Sung)

*THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.** (Sung)

SERMONPastor Phil Beck

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| <p>1 Soul, adorn yourself with gladness,
leave the gloomy haunts of sadness,
come into the daylight's splendor,
there with joy your praises render.
Bless the one whose grace unbounded
this amazing banquet founded;
Christ, though heav'nly, high, and holy,
deigns to dwell with you most lowly.</p> <p>2 Hasten as a bride to meet him,
eagerly and gladly greet him.
There he stands already knocking;
quickly, now, your gate unlocking,
open wide the fast-closed portal,
saying to the Lord immortal:
"Come, and leave your loved one never;
dwell within my heart forever."</p> | <p>4 Jesus, source of lasting pleasure,
truest friend, and dearest treasure,
peace beyond all understanding,
joy into all life expanding:
humbly now, I bow before you,
love incarnate, I adore you;
worthily let me receive you,
and, so favored, never leave you.</p> |
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With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

****THE NICENE CREED***

***We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.***

***We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.***

***We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,*
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.***

OFFERING Please place your gift in the offering plate, mail to the church office or consider online giving.

***OFFERTORY HYMN: (ELW 801)**

Change My Heart, O God

The musical score is written on four staves. The first staff is labeled 'Refrain' and contains the melody for 'Change my heart, O God; make it ev - er true.' The second staff continues the melody with 'Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.' and ends with a double bar line labeled 'End'. The third staff begins with a triplet of eighth notes and contains the melody for 'You are the pot - ter; I am the clay.' The fourth staff continues with 'Mold me and make me; this is what I pray.' and also features a triplet of eighth notes. The word 'Refrain' is written above the final measure of the fourth staff.

Change my heart, O God; make it ev - er true.

Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.

You are the pot - ter; I am the clay.

Mold me and make me; this is what I pray.

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OFFERTORY PRAYER:

- P:** God of love, you call us beloved children and welcome us to your table. Receive our lives and the gifts we offer. Abide with us and send us in service to a suffering world; for the sake of your beloved Child, Jesus Christ.
- C:** **We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - ourselves, our time and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

- P:** ... Merciful God,
- C:** **receive our prayer.**

***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (ELW, p.152)**

- P:** The Lord be with you.
- C:** **And also with you.**
- P:** Lift up your hearts.
- C:** **We lift them to the Lord.**
- P:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C:** **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

***THE PREFACE:**

- P:** "It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations; in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son; and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn"

**C: (ELW, p. 153) Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the
highest**

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION:**

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C: Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again. Amen.

***THE LORD'S PRAYER:**

P: Gathered into One with the Holy Spirit, we now pray as Jesus taught us...

C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

**C: (ELW, p.154) Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace,
grant us peace.**

HOLY COMMUNION: All are welcome at Christ's Table.

***P:** May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
Amen.

***COMMUNION CANTICLE: (ELW, 204)**

C: Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell everyone what God has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and bear Christ's holy name. Send us with your promises and lead your people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.

***COMMUNION PRAYER:**

P: Wellspring of joy, through this meal you have put gladness in our hearts. Satisfy the hunger still around us, and send us as joyful witnesses, that your love may bring joy to the hearts of all people, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

***BENEDICTION:**

P: People of God, you are Christ's body, bringing new life to a suffering world. The holy Trinity, † one God, bless you now and forever.
Amen.

***SENDING HYMN.....What Feast of Love.....ELW 487**

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| 1 What feast of love is offered here,
what banquet come from heaven?
What food of everlasting life,
what gracious gift is given?
This, this is Christ the king,
the bread come down from heaven.
Oh, taste and see and sing!
How sweet the manna given! | 3 What wine of love is offered here,
what crimson drink from heaven?
What stream of everlasting life,
what precious blood is given?
This, this is Christ the king,
the sweetest wine of heaven.
Oh, taste and see and sing!
The Son of God is given! |
| 2 What light of truth is offered here,
what covenant from heaven?
What hope of everlasting life,
what wondrous word is given?
This, this is Christ the king,
the sun come down from heaven.
Oh, see and hear and sing!
The Word of God is given! | |

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***Dismissal**

**GO IN PEACE AND SERVE THE LORD,
THANKS BE TO GOD!**

POSTLUDE *(Please remain seated until the postlude concludes.)*

Announcement regarding livestreaming of the worship services:

St. Paul's intends to continue offering online worship services to share the Gospel through Facebook and Youtube. With the inclusion of in-person attendance during the service, we need to inform you that your presence may be captured in the recording and broadcast through St. Paul's social media platforms. Your comfort and privacy are of utmost importance, if you prefer not to have your image broadcast please contact the office by phone or email or inform the usher as you arrive. The office will keep a list of those wishing NOT to appear in the recording and convey that information to the Media and Technology Ministry.



PRAYER LIST

Tommy Sorge, Nephew of Marie Purswell

Milton & Dolores Denn, Members

Erica Hoff, Daughter of Betty Walker

Sharyl Mildenstein, Family of Russ & Amy Mildenstein

Joe Collins, Cousin of Joann Valainis

Dr. Heather DeVincentis, Friend of Sue and Lin Snyder

Libbianna LeDuff, Family of Hope Donati

Sharon Crayton, Friend of Betsy Galliher

Ronald Zeimen, Father of Amy Mildenstein

Thelma Powell, Member

Robert Hoff, III, Member

Family of Barbara Miller, Relative of Sue Snyder and Lin Snider

Dennis and Regina Cavell, Members

Eric and Anna Cavell, Son and Daughter-in-law of Dennis and Regina Cavell

Debbie O'Brien & children, Matthew Lokos, Benjamin & Dorothy Cavell, Family of Dennis & Regina Cavell

Barb Callow, Close friend of Marie Purswell

Peggy E., Friend of Sue Snyder and Lin Snider

Lin Snider

Sue Snyder

Ron Layman, Friend of Betsy Galliher

Bob Schmidt, Brother of Dottie Titmas

Gail Carlson, Friend of Shirley Merando

Irene Matthews, Mother of Tammy Snurr

Jacob Dietzel, Grandson of Merle Anderson

John Bergstrom, Friend of Pastor Phil Beck

Dan Beck, Son of Pastor Phil and Sue Beck

PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY AND THEIR FAMILIES

+Admiral Lisa Franchetti, U.S. Navy,
niece to Linwood Snider
+Zachary Williams, U.S. Airforce,
grandson of Jim & Dottie Titmas
+U.S. Navy Corpsman Matthew Kasik,
grandson of Sam Purswell
+Dan Beck, 1st Lt., U.S. Army, son of
Pastor Phil & Susan Beck
+Carlin Rabie, U.S. Navy, Son-in-law
of Marcia & Raj Gupta
+1st LT Patrick Campion, US Army, son
of Michelle and Michael Harrod

*Do you have need for prayer?
Do you know someone else who has need for prayer?
If so, please know that we have a prayer team at
St. Paul's that is ready to help.
Simply contact the Church Office.
All requests are confidential.*

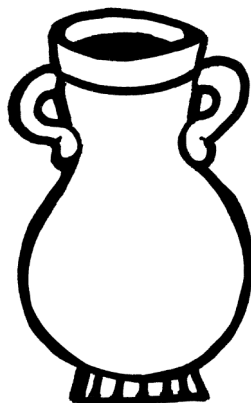
*****Please remember all the names on our prayer list,
and especially those that are **bold**.
They have a specific current need for
Christian love and support.***

Comments from the Cloud of Witnesses

Many of Christ's miracles, although at first obscure, have become clearer in the course of time. Then, those who saw the event from the very beginning narrated what had taken place: Jesus then made wine from water. But now, as well as then, Jesus continues to change our weak and unstable wills into that which is better. For there are, I affirm, people who differ in nothing from water: they are cold, weak, and never stand firm. Let us bring those who are so afflicted to the Lord, that he may change their will to the quality of wine: that they no longer simply flow away, but that they be steadfast, and that they become to themselves and to others a source of comfort.

—John Chrysostom

[John Chrysostom, in *Sunday Sermons of the Great Fathers*, I, pp. 264-265.]



*******IMPORTANT REMINDER*******

Please remember, it is imperative that you completely fill out the **PINK** sign in sheets located on the bulletin board in the Church and on the table inside the door in the Parish Hall if you are entering either building at a time other than a scheduled meeting or service. **Please** remember to check in with the Office **before** entering the Church building or the Parish Hall.

OFFERINGS

We are so blessed and grateful for your continued offerings during these unprecedented times.

It is only with your support we can maintain the everyday activities of the church and our work in the community.

Please consider mailing your offering to the church or if you have access to the website, there is an online giving option as well.

<https://www.saintpaulslutheranchurch.org/give/>

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS:

Current Fund Weekly Need: \$3,825.00

Property Renovation Loan Fund Need:\$360.00

December End of Year 12/27-12/31 2021

Weekly Contributions:	\$3,442.75
Property Loan Fund:	\$ 25.00
Total:	\$3,467.25

Electronic/Mail ins Income

January 2, 2022:

Weekly Contributions:	\$ 735.64
Property Loan Fund:	\$ 280.00
Total:	\$1,015.64

In Worship Offerings

January 2, 2022:

Weekly Contributions:	\$ 695.00
Property Loan Fund:	\$ 175.00
Total:	\$ 870.00

Electronic/Mail in Offerings

January 9, 2022:

Weekly Contributions:	\$ 1,751.31
Property Loan Fund:	\$
Total:	\$ 1,751.31

ATTENDANCE:

January 9, 2022:

Virtual Worship Week: 9
Virtual: 45

This Week at St Paul's

Sunday, January 16th

Second Sunday After Epiphany	
Worship (Livestream)	9:25am
Blessing of the Quilts	
Children's Faith Formation	10:30am
Adult Faith Formation	10:45am

Monday, January 17th

FEC	8am-5pm
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Tuesday, January 18th

Council	7:00pm
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Wednesday, January 19th

FEC	8am-5pm
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Thursday, January 20th

Gathered at the Table	12:00 Noon
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Sunday, January 23rd

Third Sunday after Epiphany	
Worship (Livestream)	9:25am
Children's Faith Formation	10:30-11:30am
Town Hall	10:45am

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Until Further Notice:

Masks are **MANDATORY** during Worship and at all meetings.

With the rise in COVID positivity rates, the state of emergency in the State of Maryland, and love of our neighbor, your Council believes it is in the best interest of all to re-establish the requirement of wearing masks for worship and meetings. Your Council is hopeful that this will be a short term response and will be further discussing the issue at the January Council Meeting. Should you have any questions, please see a council member for clarification.

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God in honor of the birthdays of Lillian Foucart, Katie Walker and Lee McCloskey.



We have four candidates interested in serving on Council for a 3-Year Term (2022-2024). Linda Yopp (re-running for 2nd 3-year term), Ellen Bucheimer, Michael Harrod, and Kate Stottlemeyer.

Jackie Waas will be finishing Debbie Loso's last year on council during 2022.

Voting will take place at the Annual Congregational Meeting on January 30, 2022.

Nominating Committee:

Betsy Galliher, Sheila Kahler, Gary Wachter and Linda Yopp.

Thank you



QUESTIONS AND VOTES



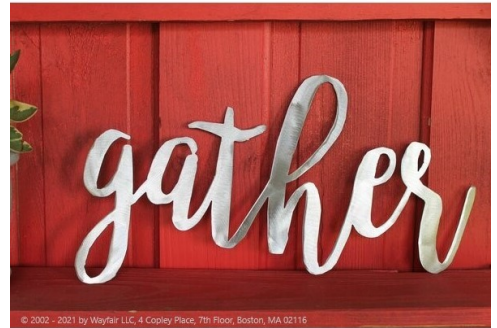
TOWN HALL MEETING
(No Voting, just Q&A)
JANUARY 23, 2022
10:45AM PARISH HALL

ANNUAL
CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
Your Vote Counts
JANUARY 30, 2022
10:45AM PARISH HALL

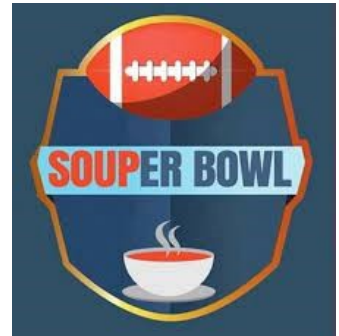
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Gathered at the Table!!

We hope you enjoyed last week's discussion. Any thoughts? Comments? Questions? Make sure to tune in this Thursday at Noon to learn how Pastor Phil, Belinda and Russ journey through the ELCA Social Statements.



**Souper Bowl Can Drive
Now through February 13th
Bring in soup cans for the
Glade Valley Food Bank**



Don't Forget!

Hat & Mitten Tree
Continues through January 2022
The Tree is located in the nave.

Share the Warmth!



SAVE THE DATE!

**February 19, 2022
5:00pm Soup and Sandwich
6:00pm Games**

**Remember to bring your
favorite Game!**

St. Paul's Lutheran Church is partnering with Lutheran Social Services of Maryland to host certified dementia instructors from Carroll Lutheran Village to present:

Understanding Dementia

February 6th at 1:30pm

St. Paul's Lutheran Church,
14 W. Pennsylvania Ave. Walkersville

Inviting seniors, adult children of seniors,
caregivers & friends to join in this **free** 90 minute
session with time for questions.

To RSVP by Jan. 30th contact the church office,
by phone 301-845-4600, email info@saintpaulslutheranchurch.org

Presentation description:

Older people often feel that if they exhibit occasional memory lapses, they have dementia. The first half of the presentation will discuss how dementia differs from normal aging in areas such memory, concentration, decision making and chronological ordering. We will also discuss how specific physiological conditions may wrongly lead people to believe that a person has dementia.



The second half of the presentation addresses the issue of communication. Whether a person is diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease or another type of dementia, the ability to communicate gradually reduces. For caregivers, conversing with an Alzheimer's resident requires a great deal of patience and understanding. Our presentation will provide strategies and techniques, including how to approach the resident, the importance of nonverbal cues, what not to do when speaking with the resident, and the role of therapeutic fibbing.

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*******IMPORTANT*******

For those without Facebook please tune into our YouTube channel for live streams of last week's service.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HEUr6G0MCFY>

Please look for future notices regarding live streaming in our weekly email.

You can always watch live on our Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/saintpaulslutheranofwalkersville/>,

by going to our website, www.saintpaulslutheranchurch.org,



Would you like to schedule a Sunday to sponsor Altar flowers? Please contact Patty Rimel through the Parish Office to arrange a date



GVCS Food Bank

Donations for Glade Valley Food Bank are always accepted!

Items of need are:

Mac-n-cheese
Spaghetti sauce
Individual fruit cups
Toothpaste
Shampoo and Conditioner
Feminine pads.

Please bring them to the donation bin on the side of Town Hall

Staff

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