



Sixth Sunday of Easter—May 14, 2023 Mother's Day

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

14 West Pennsylvania Avenue, Walkersville, Maryland 21793

Worship Service LIVE—9:25 a.m.



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Through Christ, we joyfully feed the body, mind, and spirit of all.

SERVING TODAY

Minister.....Pastor Phil Beck
Lector.....Jim Titmas
Organist.....Jeff Gentry
Ushers.....Patty Rimel and Roxanne Smith
Acolyte.....Camden Plog

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS

President—Trish Valcarcel
Vice-President—Patty Rimel
Treasurer—Amy Mildenstein
Secretary—Jackie Waas

**Please stand as you are able.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE/CANDLES LIT

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***THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, by whose hand we are given new birth, by whose speaking we are given new life.

C: **Amen.**

P: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are welcomed, restored, and supported as citizens of the new creation. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism. Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and mighty, you are the river of life, you are the everlasting wellspring. In mercy and might you have freed us from death and raised us with Jesus, the firstborn of the dead. In baptismal waters our old life is washed away, and in them we are born anew.

Glory to you for oceans and lakes, for rivers and streams. Honor to you for waters that wash us clean, quench our thirst, and nurture both crops and creatures. Praise to you for the life-giving water of baptism, the outpouring of the Spirit of the new creation.

C: **Wash away our sin and all that separates us from you. Empower our witness to your resurrection. Strengthen our resolve in seeking justice for all.**

P: Satisfy the world's need through this living water. Where drought dries the earth, bring refreshment. Where despair prevails, grant hope. Where chaos reigns, bring peace. We ask this through Christ, who with you and the Spirit reigns forever.

C: **Amen.**

***The Peace**

P: The peace of Christ be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

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| <p>1 Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heav'n, to earth come down!
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter ev'ry trembling heart.</p> | <p>3 Come, Almighty, to deliver;
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.</p> |
| <p>2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy loving Spirit
into ev'ry troubled breast;
let us all in thee inherit;
let us find thy promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning;
Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning,
set our hearts at liberty.</p> | <p>4 Finish then thy new creation,
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee!
Changed from glory into glory,
till in heav'n we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise!</p> |

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

****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.**
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- L: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
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- 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.**
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- 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.**
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- L: Help, save, comfort and defend us gracious Lord.
- C: **Amen.**

***Canticle of Praise (Sung)**

L: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

C: Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY:**

P: Almighty and ever-living God, you hold together all things in heaven and on earth. In your great mercy receive the prayers of all your children, and give to all the world the Spirit of your truth and peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Anthem.....**God is There**.....(J. Althouse).....Choir

FIRST READING: Acts 17:22-31

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 66

⁸Bless our God, you peoples;
let the sound of praise be heard.
⁹Our God has kept us among the living
and has not allowed our feet to slip.
¹⁰For you, O God, have tested us;
you have tried us just as silver is tried.
¹¹You brought us into the net;
you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.
¹²You let people ride over our heads; we went
through fire and water,
but you brought us out into a place of re-
freshment.
¹³I will enter your house with burnt offerings
and will pay you my vows—

¹⁴those that I promised with my lips
and spoke with my mouth when I was in
trouble.
¹⁵I will offer you burnt offerings of fatlings with the
smoke of rams;
I will give you oxen and goats.
¹⁶Come and listen, all you who believe,
and I will tell you what God has done for me.
¹⁷I called out to God with my mouth,
and praised the Lord with my tongue.
¹⁸If I had cherished evil in my heart,
the Lord would not have heard me;
¹⁹but in truth God has heard me
and has attended to the sound of my prayer.
²⁰Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer,
nor withheld unfailing love from me.

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 3:13-22

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELW, p. 151)**

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

The Holy Gospel according to John the tenth chapter, **John 14:15-21**

c: Glory to you, O Lord. (Sung)

***THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD**

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

SERMONPastor Phil Beck

Silence for Reflection

***HYMN OF THE DAY**.....**Come Down, O Love Divine**ELW 804

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| <p>1 Come down, O Love divine;
seek thou this soul of mine
and visit it with thine own ardor glowing;
O Comforter, draw near;
within my heart appear
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.</p> <p>2 Oh, let it freely burn,
till worldly passions turn
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
and let thy glorious light
shine ever on my sight,
and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.</p> | <p>3 Let holy charity
mine outward vesture be,
and lowliness become mine inner clothing--
true lowliness of heart,
which takes the humbler part,
and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with
loathing.</p> <p>4 And so the yearning strong,
with which the soul will long,
shall far outpass the pow'r of human telling;
no soul can guess Love's grace
till it become the place
wherein the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling.</p> |
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Text: Bianco da Siena, d. 1434; tr. Richard F. Littledale, 1833-1890

***THE APOSTLES' CREED**

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's Only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

P: ... Hear us, O God,

C: Your mercy is great.

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

***OFFERTORY HYMN Let the Vineyards be Fruitful, ELW 184**

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord,
and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.
Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown,
that we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gather the hopes and dreams of all;
unite them with the prayers we offer.
Grace our table with your presence,
and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

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***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

P: Generous God, in this meal you offer your very self. We give thanks for these gifts of the earth.
In the breaking of this bread reveal to us the Risen One. In the pouring of this wine
pour us out in service to the world; through Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

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

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witness of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join in 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.194) 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:

P: All are welcome at Christ's Table, come as you are. The feast is prepared, the table is set, come and eat.

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

C: Amen.

***POST 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.

***POST COMMUNION PRAYER:**

P: Gracious God, in you we live and move and have our being. With your word and this meal of grace, you have nourished our life together. Strengthen us to show your love and serve the world in Jesus' name.

C: Amen.

***BENEDICTION:**

P: The God of all, who raised † Jesus from the dead, bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit to live in the new creation.

C: Amen.

***SENDING HYMN.....Alleluia! Sing to Jesus.....ELW 392**

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| 1 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus;
his the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph,
his the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion
thunder like a mighty flood:
"Jesus out of ev'ry nation
has redeemed us by his blood." | 4 Alleluia! King eternal,
Lord omnipotent we own;
Alleluia! born of Mary,
earth your footstool, heav'n your throne.
As within the veil you entered,
robed in flesh, our great high priest,
here on earth both priest and victim
in the eucharistic feast. |
| 2 Alleluia! Not as orphans
are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! he is near us;
faith believes, nor questions how.
Though the cloud from sight received him
when the forty days were o'er,
shall our hearts forget his promise:
"I am with you evermore"? | 5 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus;
his the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph,
his the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion
thunder like a mighty flood:
"Jesus out of ev'ry nation
has redeemed us by his blood." |

Text: William C. Dix, 1837-1898, alt.

***DISMISSAL**

**GO IN PEACE, SERVE THE RISEN ONE!
THANKS BE TO GOD.**

***POSTLUDE**

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

Joe Collins, *Cousin of Joann Valainis*
Mark Holloway, *Husband of Kate Stottlemeyer*
Candy Foucart, *Member*
Bob Schmidt, *Brother of Dottie Titmas*
Gary Wachter, *Member*
Michael Wachter, *Son of Gary and Kay Wachter*
The Wynne Family, *Friends of Lin Snider and Sue Snyder*
Lin Snider, *Member*
Sue Snyder, *Member*
The Valcarcel Family, *Members*
Kim Currier, *Daughter of Sam Purswell*
Family of Tommy Sorge, *Nephew of the Purswells and Cousin to the Valcarcels*
Barb Callow, *friend of Marie Purswell*
Pat Poole, *Brother of Joann Valainis*
Jonathan Eshelman, *Nephew of Kay Wachter*
Susan and Paul Holloway, *Family of Kate Stottlemeyer*
Charlie Knapp, *Friend of Pastor Phil*
Robert Hoff, *Member, son of Betty Walker*
Lillian Foucart, *Member*
For the Family of Ginny Rousculp, *Former choir Director and Member*
Anne Bartel, *Friend of Betsy Galliher*
Jeanne Rutz, *friend of Pastor Phil*
Hank Holiday, *Friend and neighbor of Kate Stottlemeyer*
The Plog Family
Family of Misti Green
Deanna Meyer, *Personal friend of Joann Valainis*

How our Prayer List Works:

You may call into the Parish Office (301-845-4600) or email the Office Administrator (officeadministrator@saintpaulslutheranchurch.org). When a prayer list request is added, the request will stay on the list for three consecutive weeks. First week it will be noted in **Super Bold**, the second week it will be noted in **Bold**, and then the third week it will be noted in regular text. Then the request will be removed from the prayer list unless you specifically ask for your request to remain on the prayer list until otherwise noted by you. The power of prayer is amazing!

"For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." **Matthew 18:20**

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, Captain., U.S. Army, son of
Pastor Phil & Susan Beck
†Carlin Rabie, U.S. Navy, Son-in-law
of Marcia & Raj Gupta
†Eric Fong Sam, U.S. Army, friend of
Mary Ann Ferguson
†Leo Tanja, U.S. Airforce, nephew of
Mary Ann Ferguson's sister in
law

*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 for the Cloud of Witnesses

The Holy Spirit is called the Spirit of God, and the Spirit of Truth, who proceeds from the Father, the Spirit of virtue, a commanding Spirit. When we hear of the Spirit, the mind must form to itself an idea of an intelligent Being, infinite in power, of greatness without measure, bounded neither by time nor by ages, bountiful of its own goodness, to whom all turn who need sanctification, to whom all aspire who live in holiness, as though watered and assisted by its breath to arrive at their due perfection. This is a Being who perfects others, itself needing nothing; existing, as not needing to be renewed, yet giving life abundantly; enlarging through no addition, but at once complete; at rest within itself, yet in all places; the source of holiness, the light of the mind, and providing light from itself to every faculty of the soul that searches for truth. So the Spirit, to each one who receives it, as though given to that believer alone, pours forth sufficient and perfect grace to each one, and so is enjoyed by each one. —Basil

[Basil, in The Sunday Sermons of the Great Fathers, II, 8.]



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

Electronic/Mail ins Income

May 7, 2023

Weekly Contributions:	\$2,286.39
Property Loan Fund:	\$ 270.00
Total:	\$2,556.39

In Worship Offerings

Weekly Contributions:	\$**
Property Loan Fund:	\$**
Total:	\$**

ATTENDANCE:

Sunday, May 7, 2023

In person: 46

Virtual: 13

This Week at St Paul's

Sunday, May 14th

Worship (Livestream) 9:25am

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Mothers Day

Faith Formation 10:30am

Monday, May 15th

FEC 8am-5pm

Tuesday, May 16th

Council 7:00pm

Wednesday, May 17th

FEC 8am-5pm

Thursday, May 18th

Ascension of Our Lord

Saturday, May 20th

Strawberry Festival 9am-2pm

Sunday, May 21st

Worship (Livestream) 9:25am

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Faith Formation 10:30am

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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=GjFTybBSZGg>

Please look for future notices regarding live streaming and YouTube videos at

St. Paul's Official YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSP6I9JEpgsBUXlow1I7-Q>



Strawberry Festival Meeting Tomorrow Evening!

We will be having a meeting, tomorrow evening, Monday, **May 15 at 6:30pm at the parish hall** for everyone helping out at the Strawberry festival, interested in helping, or would like to know more about helping. If you are signed up and have questions or concerns, please come tomorrow night or let us know. We are trying to make sure all areas and times are covered completely. Set up Friday the 19th of May is from 4 to 7pm and take down will begin after 2pm. We need help from friends and family in all areas.

Join us if you are interested.

**Strawberry Festival
May 20, 2023 9AM-2PM**

Six Days and counting!

**Prayers for a wonderful event and that any
rain forecasted holds off!**

Calling all Bakers The Bake Table needs donated bake goods to sell at the Strawberry Festival. All donations must be wrapped and all the ingredients listed on a label. Labels can be found at the sign up table.

Please drop off your donated baked goods during office hours (9am to 1pm, M-F) OR after 5 PM on Friday, May 19th at the Parish Hall. You can also make other arrangements with Marie Purswell. There will be extra labels if you forget. **THANK YOU!**

Strawberry Shortcake Bakers - Please deliver cakes to the social hall kitchen on Wednesday, May 17th from 5pm-8pm, Thursday the 18th from 9am to 4pm, or text Betsy for questions! **THANK YOU!**

****We are still in
desperate need of able
bodied people to help
set up
canopies and move
tables and chairs
between 4pm and 7pm,
Friday, May 19th.**

****We are also in need of
someone to man the
grill for the hot dogs on
Festival Day!**



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*The flowers today are given to
the Glory of God
and in honor of
Pastor Phil and Sue Beck's
30th Wedding Anniversary.
Given by Pastor Phil.*

***The deadline for this special collection has been
extended to Sunday, May 28, 2023***

Your generous gifts have enabled us to reach our goal
to repair the altar window, however we are still shy of
the goal to repair and restore the others.

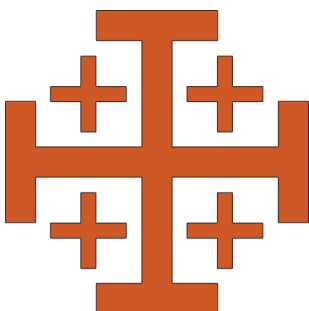
The estimate for this work is \$60,470.

*****IMPORTANT*****

**An anonymous donor has come forward and has offered to match up to
\$1,000 in donations made by the deadline of May 28, 2023**

*If you feel called, please consider donating
to this special cause, either online or in the offering plate.*

Stained Glass Window Fund



Journey to the Holy Land

Journey to the Holy Land with the Delaware-Maryland Synod January 29-February 8, 2024. As we continue to walk through the Easter season, imagine yourself visiting the places where so many stories from the Bible have traditionally been remembered. Travel with your siblings from our synod and share the experience of reflection, prayer and adventure. This tour price includes airfare, hotels, ground transportation and three meals a day. For more information, talk to Pastor Kati Kluckman-Ault at our synod assembly, contact Pastor Kati [by email](#), or view the [trip webpage](#).

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**Vintage Quilt Raffle
During Strawberry Festival!**
Suggested donation:
\$2 for 1 chance
\$5 for 3 chances

***It's time again! Would you like to
schedule a date
to sponsor Altar flowers?***

***Please contact Patty Rimel
through the Parish Office
if you would like to arrange a
date for a dedication.***



Donations for
Glade Valley Food Bank
are always accepted!

Updated Items of need are:
Canned Pasta, Pasta Sauce,
Baked Beans, Canned Fruit,
and toilet paper.

***Please bring them to the donation
bin on the side of Town Hall, or you can put them
in the basket by the side door and we will get them
to the food bank for you.***



Are you called to serve?

If you would like to serve St. Paul's congregation by creating a welcoming environment and setting the tone for their worship experience, please consider joining our Usher team. We would love to have you share in this ministry. To sign up, contact Kate Stottlemeyer through the Parish Office.





- To those who gave birth this year to their first child—we celebrate with you.
- To those who lost a child —we mourn with you.
- To those who are in the trenches with little ones every day and wear the badge of food stains— we appreciate you.
- To those who experienced loss through miscarriage, failed adoptions or running away—we mourn with you.
- To those who walk the hard path of infertility, fraught with pokes, prods, tears and disappointment—we walk with you. Forgive us when we say foolish things. We don't mean to make things harder.
- To those who are foster moms, mentor moms and spiritual moms—we need you.
- To those who have warm and close relationships with your children—we celebrate with you.
- To those who have disappointment, heartache and distance with your children—we sit with you.
- To those who lost their mothers this year—we grieve with you.
- To those who experienced abuse at the hands of your own mother—we acknowledge your experience.
- To those who lived through driving tests, medical tests and the overall testing of motherhood — we are better for having you in our midst.
- To those who have aborted children—we remember them and you on this day.
- To those who are single and long to be married and mothering your own children—we mourn that life has not turned out the way you longed for it to be.
- To those who stepparent—we walk with you on these complex paths.
- To those who envisioned lavishing love on grandchildren, yet that dream is not to be, we grieve with you.
- To those who will have emptier nests in the upcoming year—we grieve and rejoice with you.
- To those who placed children for adoption—we commend you for your selflessness and remember how you hold that child in your heart.
- And to those who are pregnant with new life, both expected and surprising—we anticipate with you.

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Caring for the Body of Christ...May 2023

Hello friends at St. Paul's! As a retired healthcare professional, I hope to share some interesting and informative facts about activities in our community that support our caring for each other. I will be asking for your input as to interests, questions and concerns so I may assist with our mission of Caring for the Body of Christ in a monthly note. Please let me know what kinds of things you might be interested in. Contact me through the Parish Office. **Deb Horton**

Some Activities of Interest!

SOAR, in partnership with the Aging Network Alliance and Frederick Community College, presents a Senior Resource and Education Fair. This free event is open to Seniors, Family Members, Caregivers, and Professionals. Thursday, May 25, 2023 9:30am-2:30pm/ Athletic Center (Gymnasium) Registration is Required /on line at www.soarfrederick.org

CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) is now recommending that older adults and those with compromised immune systems receive a bi-valent booster against the COVID viruses currently circulating. Please consult with your medical professional or request information from the Frederick County Health Department to see if you should consider this.

Friends of Frederick Parkinson's Support Group www.fifpdsg.org

Support Group for persons with Parkinson's Disease and those who journey with them. Open meeting with interesting speakers, lunch and friendly folk! Meeting monthly on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at the Mt. Pleasant Ruritan Club, 1pm. (off July and August)

Staff

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