

## 20th Sunday after Pentecost—October 6, 2024 New Members

## ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

14 West Pennsylvania Avenue, Walkersville, Maryland 21793

## Worship Service LIVE—9:00 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	Bill Cartwright
Organist	Jeff Gentry
Ushers	
	Camden Plog & Annabelle Bush

### **EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS**

President—Patty Rimel Vice-President—Sheila Kahler Treasurer—Bill Cartwright Secretary—Kate Stottlemyer



"Today's gospel combines a saying that makes many of us uncomfortable with a story we find comforting. Jesus' saying on divorce is another of his rejections of human legislation in favor of the original intent of God's law. Jesus' rebuke of the disciples who are fending off the children should challenge us as well. What does it mean to receive the kingdom of God as a child does? "

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#### GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

#### \*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P: In the name of the Father, and of the **†** Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.
- P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and 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 <sup>†</sup> Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

#### \*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.



#### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY:

- P: Sovereign God, you have created us to live in loving community with one another. Form us for life that is faithful and steadfast, and teach us to trust like little children, that we may reflect the image of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C: Amen.

#### FIRST READING: Genesis 2:18-24

- L: The Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

#### PSALM: Psalm 8

#### <sup>1</sup> O LORD our Lord,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!— <sup>2</sup>you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children;

#### you have set up a fortress against your

**enemies, to silence the foe and avenger.** <sup>3</sup>When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,

the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

<sup>4</sup>what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them,

## human beings that you should care for them?

#### SECOND READING: Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

- L: The Word of the Lord.
- C: Thanks be to God.

#### \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELW, p. 142)

#### GOSPEL: Mark 10:2-16

The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the tenth chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord.** 

The gospel of our Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** 

Sermon.....Pastor Phil Beck

#### Silence for Reflection

\*HYMN OF THE DAY......ELW 603 Text: Fred Kaan, b. 1929, Text © 1989 Hope Publishing Company, Carol Stream, IL 60188. All rights reserved. Used by permission.

<sup>5</sup>Yet you have made them little less than divine; with glory and honor you crown them.

<sup>6</sup>You have made them rule over the works of your hands;

#### you have put all things under their feet:

<sup>7</sup>all flocks and cattle,

even the wild beasts of the field,

<sup>8</sup>the birds of the air, the fish of the sea,

and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.

<sup>9</sup>O LORD our Lord,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!

#### PRESENTATION OF NEW MEMBERS

<u>New Member</u>	<u>Sponsors</u>
Nancy Cochran	Betsy Galliher
Mary Sulima	Patty Rimel
James Sulima	Patty Rimel

Dear friends, we give thanks for the gift of baptism and for these people, one with us in the body of Christ, whom we welcome as new members into the life and ministry of this congregation.

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

#### \*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.

In baptism, we are welcomed into the body of Christ and sent to share in the mission of God. We are called to live among God's faithful people, to hear the word of God and share in the Lord's supper, to proclaim the good news of God in Christ through word and deed, to serve all people, following the example of Jesus, and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth.

Siblings in Christ, do you intend to continue in the covenant of your baptism among God's people in this place?

#### Those being welcomed respond.

I do, and I ask God to help and guide me.

People of God, do you promise to support and pray for these new members in their life in Christ? We do, and we ask God to help and guide us.

Those being welcomed face the assembly. A representative of the congregation addresses the assembly.

Let us welcome these siblings in Christ to this community of faith.

We rejoice with you in the life of baptism. Together we will give thanks and praise to God and proclaim the good news to all the world.

#### **\*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

#### P: ... God of grace, C: Hear our prayer.

#### \*The Peace

- P: The peace of Christ be with you always.
- C: And also with you.

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

\*OFFERTORY HYMN Create in Me a Clean Heart (ELW Pg. 186)

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#### **OFFERTORY PRAYER (ELW P. 144)**

P: Let us pray.

God of mercy and grace, the eyes of all wait upon you, and you open your hand in blessing. Fill us with good things at your table, that we may come to the help of all in need, through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and Lord.

#### C: Amen.

#### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

MEAL



#### \*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; who on this day over came death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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:

#### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (ELW Pg. 144)

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#### THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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 for the 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 for the 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. Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

#### \*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.

#### HOLY COMMUNION:

P: Taste and see that the Lord is good.

#### **COMMUNION HYMN (ELW p.146)**

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

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (ELW P. 146)

- P: Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn us to your heart and nourished us at your table with food and drink, the body and blood of Christ. Now send us forth to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C: Amen.

#### SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

#### BENEDICTION

Almighty God, Father, <sup>†</sup> Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

#### Amen.

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\*DISMISSAL

#### GO IN PEACE, SHARE THE GOOD NEWS THANKS BE TO GOD.

#### 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. From sundaysandseasons.com | Copyright © 2024 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved | License # SAS103410, Used with permission under ONE LICENSE #736745-A. All rights reserved CCLI Copyright © 2024 License 21412867 All rights reserved



Joe Collins. Cousin of Joann Valainis Mark Holloway, Husband of Kate Stottlemyer Marion Lawrence, Cousin of Kate Stottlemver The Jones Family, Close family friends of Joann Valainis Gil Eiker, Husband of Rebecca Eiker Doug Ashbrook, Family Friend of Pastor Phil Roger Stottlemyer, Uncle of Kate Stottlemyer Sue Snyder, Member Shannon Smith, Friend of the Mildenstein Family Bob Schmidt, brother of Dottie Titmas Marea Palmer, Niece of Marcia Gupta Parker Bazarewski, extended family of Ed Chaney Joseph Matthew Moschella, dear friends of the Plowman Family Lillian Foucart. Member Eileen Trihoulis, Sister of Merle Anderson Gary Wachter, Member Heather Anderson, Member Bert Fiske, Friend of Sue Snyder and Lin Snider Dottie Titmas. Member Florence Schell, *Member* Merle Anderson, Member Bonnie Kay Cartwright, Daughter of Bill and Barbara Cartwright Dixie Lynch, Sister of Connie Chesnik Mark Spaseff, Son in law of Nancy and Graham McIntyre Family of Doris Blank. Member Family of Khoran Pope, Former Member Dee Dee Kopp, Member Family of Lin Snider, Member Family and friends of Hank Holiday, Neighbor of Kate Stottlemyer Dakota Monn. friend of Joann Valainis

#### How our Prayer List Works:

You may call into the Parish Office (301-845-4600) or email the Office Administrator

(<u>officeadministrator@saintpaulslutheranchurch.org</u>). 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 from the Cloud of Witnesses**

For the morally conscious, all divorce, particularly divorce in a marriage, is an experience of one's weakness and finitude and death. Particularly when people have striven so hard to find life and strength in their promises, divorce becomes so intensely a painful death, for divorce is the failure of the future. Both partners are cut through; the victims are the whole people involved. The Pharisees were tested in their testing. Faithfulness is suddenly much more than a matter of acceptable times and appropriate rituals. Faithfulness and adulterated partnership intertwine at the creation of one humankind, male and female. But turning aside from the Pharisees, Jesus blesses the children. The powerless, the least, those without means to secure passage, the ones whose lives are sundered from the society, those who stand under the experience of their own brokenness, all these hearts dried up, Jesus takes into and under the waters of death and blesses them. *—Jann Esther Boyd* 

[Jann Esther Boyd Fullenwieder, in Homilies for the Christian People, 344.]



<b>OFFERINGS</b> 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. <u>https://www.saintpaulslutheranchurch.org/give/</u>			
	This Week at St Paul	<u>'s</u>	
LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS:	Sunday, October 6th Worship (Livestream)	9:00am	
Current Fund Weekly Need: \$3,145.00	<i>Celebration of Nancy Cochran &amp; N</i> Faith Formation	<i>ew Members</i> 10:00am	
Property Renovation Loan Fund Need: \$360.00	Ministry Sunday	10:ooam	
Electronic/Mail-ins Income September 22, 2024: Weekly Contributions: \$ Property Loan Fund: \$ Total: \$	<u>Monday, October 7th</u> FEC Cub Scouts	8am-5pm 7:00pm	
Total: \$ <u>In Worship Offerings</u> Weekly Contributions: \$ Property Loan Fund: \$ Total: \$	<u>Tuesday, October 8th</u> FHS Lutheran in a Crucial Election	10am-3pm 7:00pm	
	<u>Wednesday, October 9th</u> FEC	8am-5pm	

Thursday, October 10th Frederick Children's Choir

<u>Sunday, October 13th</u> Worship with Bethel @ St.Paul's 9:00am

FHS

**Cub Scouts** 

Faith Formation

9:30am-12pm 10am-3pm

5:30pm

10am

<u>ATTENDANCE:</u> September 29, 2024 In person: 30 @ Bethel Lutheran Virtual:



# **Celebrating Nancy Cochran**

## & Her Retirement



Choir director at St Paul's Lutheran Church from 1997 until her retirement August 31, 2024

28 years ago, Roz Friedman, member of the congregation, and Nancy's daughters were friends and Roz asked Nancy to come and do some special music with the choir.

From then and for so many years now, Nancy has helped bring the message and wisdom of Christ to Saint Paul's. Through thoughtful preparation, she has carried forth the good news of each season through the choir's songs. Her musical direction has lifted and held up the hearts of our congregation, inspired them to walk more closely with the Lord, and elevated our weekly services. We are so grateful for her.

While here she directed the Chancel Choir, the Classical Chorale, and the Women's Chorus and belonged to the Frederick Coral Arts Society. She has also scheduled music for the summer seasons when the choir was not singing.

She also chose and purchased music appropriate for worship services and at various times chose the hymns for the worship services.

Nancy has been very faithful in participating in all the activities of the church during the year. The strawberry festival, <u>Christkindlmart</u>, and the German dinner to name a few.

She is always willing to help with church decorating for different seasons including Easter and Christmas.

Before coming to St Paul's Nancy owned and operated her company called Sign Works. She applied this expertise for us as well by creating banners and signs for our mission statement, the German dinner, strawberry festival among others

Nancy has also been an active member of the Worship and Arts Committee, taking part in our decision to purchase a new electronic organ and jumping in to learn and handle all that needed to be done when we began to live stream worship services during the pandemic. This also entailed making sure we were following legal licensed guidelines for broadcasting music.

During her time here Nancy has worked closely with all the congregation and leadership of St. Paul's. She has worked with nine pastors, plus a number of supply pastors. She has collaborated with four organists, as well as substitutes as needed. She teamed up with five Administrative Assistants, all to help our Music Ministry thrive and to enhance our worship services.

Her gift of music has been such a blessing to all of us. Her contributions of time, charity and service over the years have been motivating, uplifting and inspirational. We congratulate Nancy on her retirement and are so happy she will become a member and remain at St. Paul's to worship with us.

Thank you, Nancy, for all you have contributed to the life of St. Paul's.

### \*\*\*\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*\*\*\*

For those without Facebook please tune into our YouTube channel for live streams of last week's service. <u>https://youtu.be/c3JE6w38DTE</u>, September 22, 2024

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

St. Paul's Official YouTube channel: <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSP6I9JEpgsBUXIow117 -Q</u>

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*	the glory of God and for
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Reminder: Next week, October 13th, worship will be combined with Bethel Lutheran @ St. Paul's



## Year Round Stocking Stuffer Project!!

The children in our Community are depending on us!

WE NEED COTTON CHRISTMAS FABRIC FOR CHILDREN'S STOCKINGS! MUST BE IN 2 YARD PIECES!

You may also donate to this ministry by contacting Kay Wachter directly.





Come Join us! What does it mean to be Lutheran in a crucial election year?

Kindling Faith Learning Never Ends

We will be airing these on the big screen in the overflow area in the church from 7-8:30pm on the appointed evenings. There will also be a link available if you are not able to make it and would like to watch it from home. This will be like a follow up of our Gathered at the Table Series. Please contact the office to let us know you will be attending and feel free to bring snacks and drinks. Please see the flyer on the bulletin boards or check the weekly email for the dates and more details

The next session is October 8, 2024.



October 20, 2024

Harvest Home Sunday is quickly approaching!

An annual tradition in our congregation is to celebrate the harvest by returning a portion of God's gifts to be distributed to others in need. On Sunday, October 20th, please bring non-perishable food items to the church. We will be collecting these items at the communion rail. After Service, they will be counted and taken to the Glade Valley Food Bank. Check the Wednesday email and bulletins for current Food Bank Needs.

It's also Pumpkin Sunday! Please pick up a pumpkin to enjoy at home on your way out after worship!





# It's Spooky Season!

And that means it's time for another fun evening of Trunk-or-Treat!

## Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup> from 3:00pm - 5:00pm

St. Paul's will be hosting a not-so-spooky Trunk -or-Treat night. We could use some more volunteers to decorate their trunks and hand out candy.

If you have never done it before, it's easy and fun and we'd love to help you get started! Please contact Lauren McCloskey through the Parish Office to reserve a parking space and help St. Paul's reach out to our neighbors and community with a little fun!

\*\*FIRST 20 KIDS GET A COUPON FOR A FREE KONA ICE\*\*

## **BLESSING OF THE PETS**

Saint Paul's announces that there will be a blessing of the pets **October 27, 2024**, at 1:00 pm (14 W. Pennsylvania Avenue). Everyone is invited to bring pets (or pictures of pets) for the blessing.





All Saints Sunday resonates with the conviction that in Christ every saint is a sinner and every sinner a saint. Lutherans especially remember on this feast that it is God's grace that makes us saints. We find lasting rest only in the mercy of God.

At St. Paul's we follow a tradition of honoring all the saints who have passed away since last All Saints Day. We will light a candle and ring the bell for each person named.

Please call the Parish Office or email @ officeadministrator@saintpaulslutheranchurch.org to name the person you would like to remember in this way throughout the month of October. Please give the name, relationship to you and date of death. We will need these names by 10/30/2024.

Please address any questions to the Worship and Arts Committee.

Betsy Galliher



September is here and preparations have begun for the 7th annual Christkindl Market. It will happen on **Saturday, December 7th** from 10am-2pm. Once again, the Walkersville Historical Society will be the event host. St. Paul's will have vendors, food and host the Wreath contest similar to last year. Look for more information on those items as we get closer to the date.



We will be looking for donations of gently used Christmas items for "Mrs. Claus' attic." These are items that are affordable for children or individuals without a lot of funds to buy as gifts or decoration. So, keep on the lookout if you hit up the local yard sales. If anyone has a good idea for a craft to do as a small group that we can add to the sale let us know. We will be looking for volunteers to help with the different areas so make sure you mark it on your calendars.

Co-chairs are Amy Mildenstein and Trish Valcarcel with an assist from Russ Mildenstein



*"Reformation Sunday challenges us to do better."* 

Sunday, October 27, 2024 — WEAR RED!



Dear St. Paul's Family,

I am writing to extend my deepest gratitude to all of you. I am touched by the support and care extended by everyone during the time of Ron's passing and funeral. All of the phone calls, messages and prayers were sincerely appreciated. I am so grateful for the support and fellowship from my St. Paul's family.

Sincerely, Connie Chesnik.

#### The Thanksgiving and Christmas Seasons will be upon us before we know it. Food Bank shelves tend to get bare and the need for help grows

Donations for Glade Valley Food Bank are always accepted!

\*\*UPDATED ITEMS OF NEED ARE:\*\* Spaghetti noodles, spaghetti sauce, boxed crackers, Peanut butter and cereal

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!



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 to offer flowers.

**Glade Valley** 

**Community Services** 

## Are you called to serve with a smile?

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 Stottlemyer through the Parish Office.

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace:" 1 Peter 4:10



### <u>Staff</u>

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