



## **SERVING TODAY**

Minister.....Pastor Phil Beck  
 Lector.....Linda Yopp  
 Organist.....Jeff Gentry  
 Ushers.....Sunday School  
 Acolyte.....Camden Plog & Annabelle Bush

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 Stephen Ministry.....Linda Yopp  
 Property Coordinator.....  
 Financial Secretary.....Troy Keeney

### **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 21412874, Streaming 21412867 All rights reserved

**Sixth Sunday of Easter—May 25, 2025**

## **ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

14 West Pennsylvania Avenue, Walkersville, Maryland 21793

**Worship Service LIVE —9:00 a.m.**

Church Phone: 301-845-4600

E-mail: info@saintpaulslutheranchurch.org

Web Site: <http://www.saintpaulslutheranchurch.org>

Saint Paul's Official YouTube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSP6I9JEggsBUXlow1I7-Q>



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

### **EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS**

President—Sheila Kahler  
 Vice-President—Lauren McCloskey  
 Treasurer—Patty Rimel  
 Secretary—Kate Stottlemeyer

***\*Stand as you are able***

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CHURCH BELL RUNG**

**CANDLES LIT**

**GATHERING**

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

**C::** ***Amen.***

**\*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**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:** Gracious God,

**C:** **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

**P:** God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of † Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

**C:** ***Amen.***

**GATHERING HYMN**

***Immortal, Invisible. God Only Wise* .....ELW 834**

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**MEMBERS OF ST. PAUL'S, NOW DECEASED, WHO SERVED**

**J. Fred Alexander**—Marines, 2 yrs (Korea)

**Asa "Pete" Blackburn**—Army, 22 yrs (WWII-Germany, Japan, Korea, Lebanon, NJ, NE, MD, GA)

**Ronald Chesnik** — U.S. Army, (Vietnam)

**Glenn Dayhoff**— Army 6 Years

**Milton C. Denn, Jr.**—Navy, 4 yrs (USS Cannole)

**Donald L. Derr**—U.S. Army (European Theater)

**Robert M. Bowen**—U.S. Army, 3 years POW WWII

**Sgt. Robert M. Bowen**— Army, 4 years

**Josephine Derr**—Army Transportation, 3 yrs (USA)

**Roger A. Eyler**—Army, 7 yrs, (Ft Meade, MD)

**A. LaVerne Fogle**—U.S. Army—66th Signal Corps AN. (European, American, Pacific Theaters)

**Henry J. Hearn**—Navy, 1 yr

**Edward (Ed) Hedges**—U.S. Naval Armed Guard, 2 yrs (European Theater)

**Charles P. Jones**—Army

**William Paul Lynch**—Air Force (Europe)

**Nelson R. May**—Air Force, 3 yrs Active, 4 yrs Reserve (Okinawa, Pentagon, Washington D.C.)

**David Miller**—Navy, 28 yrs (Korea, several ships, Vietnam)

**Bob Moberly**—Army, 3 yrs Active, 25½ yrs Reserve (France, Germany, England, Belgium, USA)

**Lenwood C. Moss**—Army, 3 yrs

**Roland Moss** (brother of Len Moss)—Army, Died in service

**Raymond Pettingall**—Army, 1942-1945 (WWII- U.S. African & Italian Campaign)

**Harold E. Powell**—Army Air Corp, (airplane mechanic), 3 yrs (Texas, New Jersey, North Carolina)

**Edward Sell**—Navy (South Pacific)

**Benjamin H. Smith, Jr.**—Army, 3 yrs (European Theater)

**Linwood Snyder**— U.S. Army (Fort Leonard Wood)

**Raymond Staley**—U.S. Army (USA)

**James Stoner**—Army, 3 yrs

**Charles Stull**—U.S. Army, 91st Division (Europe)

**Lynn D. Syverson**—Army, 14½ yrs

**Joseph W. Wachter**—Navy (Europe, Atlantic)

**Michael Wachter**—Navy (Japan)



**VBS at  
St. Paul's!**

**JESUS  
SAYS!**

**Monday, July 7th– Friday, July 11th, 2025**

**6–8 PM\***

**\*Friday will be a performance starting at  
7:00 PM**

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

Hosted by:  
St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
and  
Walkersville United Methodist Church



Donations for  
**Glade Valley Food Bank**  
are always accepted!

**\*\*UPDATED ITEMS OF NEED  
ARE:\*\***

cereal, boxed crackers, tuna,  
spaghetti sauce and peanut butter.

*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!*



**\*GREETING**

**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 (p. 147)**

**CANTICLE OF PRAISE (p. 148)**

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY:**

**P:** Bountiful God, you gather your people into your realm, and you promise us food from your tree of life. Nourish us with your word, that empowered by your Spirit we may love one another and the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** Amen.

**FIRST READING: Acts 16:9-15**

**L:** *The Word of the Lord.*

**C:** Thanks be to God.

**Psalms 67**

<sup>1</sup> May God be merciful to us and bless us;

**may the light of God's face  
shine upon us.**

<sup>2</sup> Let your way be known upon earth,  
**your saving health among all  
nations.**

<sup>3</sup> Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
**let all the peoples praise you.**

<sup>4</sup> Let the nations be glad and sing for  
joy,

**for you judge the peoples  
with equity and guide all the  
nations on earth.**

<sup>5</sup> Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
**let all the peoples praise you.**

<sup>6</sup> The earth has brought forth its  
increase;

**God, our own God, has  
blessed us.**

<sup>7</sup> May God give us blessing,  
**and may all the ends of the  
earth stand in awe.**

**SECOND READING: Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5**

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

**\*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (p. 151)**

**GOSPEL: John 14:23-29**

The Holy Gospel according to John, the thirteenth 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**

***Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart***.....ELW 800

Text: George Croly, 1780-1860

P: We affirm our faith in the words of the Apostle's 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: ... God of grace, C: Hear our prayer.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**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.



***Would you like to sponsor Altar flowers?***

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

**The Church Office will be closed  
for Memorial Day  
Monday, May 26**



\*\*\*\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*\*\*\*



**ALL ARE WELCOME!**  
**Bring Family and Friends**  
**Saturday, May 31st**  
**5:00PM to 7:00PM**  
**Woodsboro Evangelical**  
**Lutheran Church**  
**101 S Main St.,**  
**Woodsboro, MD**  
**Ask Roxanne for more details!**



***The month of May  
has sprung upon us!***

**We are half way there to Stocking  
Stuffing Time!**

**This month we need:**

- \*Lotion for kids  
(small containers),**
- \*Boys infant socks,**
- \*Cloth books**

**You always have the option for a  
financial donation also. Please see  
Kay for more details.**



**\*The Peqce**

**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    LET THE VINEYARDS BE FRUITFUL (ELW 184)**

Music: Richard W. Hillert, b. 1923, Music © 1978 *Lutheran Book of Worship*, admin. Augsburg Fortress

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Let us pray.  
Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

**GREAT THANKSGIVING, MEAL (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, 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 witnesses 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 their unending hymn:



**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (p. 153)**

**THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE (ELW P. 153)**

- P: Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God. The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath.
- C: **We praise you, O God.**
- P: Generations bless your faithfulness: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future.
- C: **We bless you, O God.**
- P: We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now.
- C: **We thank you, O God.**

**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.

Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

- C: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

**This Week at St Paul's**

**Sunday, May 25th**

Worship (Livestream) 9:00am  
*Sixth Sunday of Easter*

**Monday, May 26th**

Memorial Day (*Parish Office Closed*)

**Thursday, May 29th**

Cub Scouts 5:30  
Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm

**Friday, May 30th**

Synod Assembly  
Eagle Scout Court of Honor 5:30-8:00pm

**Saturday, May 31st**

Synod Assembly  
Community Dinner 5:00pm

**Sunday, June 1st**

Worship 9:00am  
*Youth Sunday*  
Ministry Sunday 10:00am  
Florence Schell Funeral 1:00pm  
1070 Troop Committee Meeting 5:00pm  
Cub Scout Meeting 7:00pm

**LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS:**

Current Fund Weekly Need: \$3,110.00

Property Renovation Loan Fund Need: \$350.00

**Electronic/Mail-ins Income**

**May 11, 2025**

Weekly Contributions: \$ 955.31  
Property Loan Fund: \$ 250.00  
Total: \$1,205.31

**In Worship Offerings**

Weekly Contributions: \$1,456.00  
Property Loan Fund: \$ 250.00  
Total: \$1,706.00

**ATTENDANCE:**

**May 18, 2025**

In person: 48  
Virtual: 16

## PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY AND THEIR FAMILIES

†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  
†Aaron Martz, U.S. Navy, Grandson of  
Ken Martz

*\*\*Please remember all the names  
on our prayer list, and especially  
those that are **bold**.*

*They have specific current need for  
Christian love and support.*

*Do you or someone you know  
have need for prayer?  
If so, please know that we have a  
prayer team at St. Paul's that is  
ready to help.  
Simply contact Merle Anderson at  
301-845-2317.  
All requests are confidential.*

## 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/>

## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE CONT'D

P: We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world.

Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end.

C: **Amen.**

### \*THE LORD'S PRAYER:

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

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 (P.155)

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 (P. 155)

P: Let us pray,  
Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of life to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to your Son's resurrection, that we may show your glory to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

C: **Amen.**

## SENDING

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

## BENEDICTION

P: Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

\*SENDING HYMN..... **Crown Him With Many Crowns**.....ELW 855

V. 1,2,4,5

Text: Matthew Bridges, 1800-1894, sts. 1-3, 5; Godfrey Thring, 1823-1903, st. 4

## \*DISMISSAL

GO IN PEACE, CHRIST IS WITH YOU.  
**THANKS BE TO GOD.**



Joe Collins, *Cousin of Joann Valainis*  
Mark Holloway, *Husband of Kate Stottlemeyer*  
Roger Stottlemeyer, *Uncle of Kate Stottlemeyer*  
Sue Snyder, *Member*  
Bert Fiske, *Friend of Sue Snyder and Lin Snider*  
**Joseph Matthew Moschella**, *Friend of the Plowmans*  
Jack Lotwick, *Friend of Robb and Dianne Port*  
Bob Schmidt, *Brother of Dottie Titmas*  
**Cindi, John and Deirdre MacKenzie**, *Friends of St. Paul's*  
Parker Bazarewski, *Extended family of Ed Chaney*  
Joanne and Dudley Cate, *Family friends of Ed Chaney*  
Patty Plitt, *Cousin of Ed Chaney*  
Regina Baker, *Member*  
Heather Anderson, *Member*  
Leanne Colwell, *Friend of Sue Snyder*  
Geraldine Hills, *Friend of St. Paul's*  
Charlie Snow, *Friend of Sue Snyder*  
Kira Wynne, *Friend of Sue Snyder*  
**Ariana Christ**, *Family Friend of Pastor Phil Beck*  
**Patrick Eakenroade**, *Friend of Phil Smith*  
**Jeff Gentry**, *Music Coordinator*  
**The Family and Friends of Keith Harris**, *Friend of the Plowmans*

### How our Prayer List Works:

You may call into the Parish Office (301-845-4600) or email the Office Administrator ([officeadministrator@saintpaulslutheranchurch.org](mailto: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**