

St. Paul's United Methodist Church, Red Lion
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 5, 2021 - Pastor Tim Funk

Welcome & Life at St. Paul's (announcements)

Prelude: "No, Not One!"

Opening Scripture: Isaiah 55:9-11

Hymn # 600 "Wonderful Words of Life"

The Apostles' Creed

Prayers of the People of God & The Lord's Prayer ("debts")

Scripture Lesson: Hebrews 9:23-28

Message: "Are You Ready? Is Your Neighbor Ready?"
by Gideon's International Representative Mr. Ken Keeny

Hymn # 701 "When We All Get to Heaven"

Closing Prayer

Postlude: "We're Marching to Zion"

Through the end of the year there will be one, streamlined worship service at 10:00 AM in the sanctuary to minimize contact and the spread of COVID.

Masking policy statement: *"We hope that you will wear a mask indoors if you are not fully vaccinated. Please respect others choices to wear a mask or not." The Worship/ Leadership Council*

During worship we offer children's activities. Children will be dismissed after the opening announcements.

This morning, we welcome to St. Paul's Mr. Ken Keeny, a representative of the Gideon's International for over 10 years. Mr. Keeny also serves as an auctioneer in Lancaster and York Counties. Please make him feel at home in our sanctuary.

Extra offering plates for those who wish to contribute to the Gideon's International ministry have been placed near the regular offering plates. Thank you for considering this giving opportunity.

Today's Scripture reader is Amy Glock.

Today's altar flowers

are to the glory of God and in tribute to all those who have, and continue to labor in their respective professions in life this Labor Day.

The white rosebud on the altar

honors the life of Robert "Bob" Blouse who passed away Sunday, August 29. Please keep Stacey and their family in your thoughts and prayers. Bob was a long-time, faithful member of our choir.

The next Community Meal is Monday, September 13, 5 PM. It is served regularly the second Monday of each month. Until further notice it will be take-out only. Drive to our church's side lot and wait to be directed to the Preschool entrance to receive your meal. The September's menu includes baked chicken, stuffing balls, peas and applesauce.

Sunday, September 12: Organ Rededication, Recognition of Madalene Sheeley and past organists, 10:00 AM in the sanctuary.

Bible Study resumes on Tuesday, September 14, 7 PM in the Sunday school room. Pastor Tim leads the group each Tuesday evening during the fall, winter and spring. The Book of Jeremiah is the focus, starting at chapter 5. All are welcome to attend.

The next Leadership Council Meeting is Thursday, September 16, 7:00 PM in the Lounge.

Women in the Word- Women's Bible study will begin again on Saturday, September 18 at 9 AM in the adult Sunday school room. We will be working through "Discerning the Voice of God" by Priscilla Shirer. It will be a DVD and workbook study like we did last year. If you have not joined us in the past, we would love for you to come along with us this year. It will be a fantastic study! If you have any questions, talk to Sharon.

Attention Ladies!

Author, Speaker Lysa Terkeurst is coming to our area on Saturday, November 13 at 7 PM! She will be at Genesis Church (formerly Grace Fellowship) in Seven Valleys. I read her book "It's Not Supposed To Be This Way" and it is FANTASTIC!! Tickets are \$35 and all seats are general admission. If you would like to go, you can purchase a ticket off of the Genesis Church website or let me know. If there are enough women interested, we can carpool from our church and head over. If you purchase a ticket but find you are unable to go, you will have to find someone to take your spot. Let me know as quickly as you can. I imagine the tickets are going quickly.

Sharon Funk

Preschool Registration is open for the 2021-2022 School Year! St. Paul's is accepting preschool registrations for both the 2-day and 3-day classes. This year, eligible 3 day students may also choose to register for a 5-day program. Additional information can be obtained by calling the church office at 717-244-2355 or on our website at www.saintpauls-um.com.

Scripture readers- a new sign-up sheet has been placed on the table at the rear of the sanctuary for September through the end of December. Please consider signing up for this important part of the worship service. If you have questions, please call the church office at 717-244-2355. Thank you.

Dear Church Members-for the past 5 years, the congregations of the Red Lion Area have supported The Den program. Once again, The Den Program will meet at Mazie Gable Elementary School on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 3:30-5:00 PM. The program will begin on Tuesday, September 21, 2021 and end on Thursday, May 19, 2022. There are 2 ways that you can help to make the program a continued success. First, you can volunteer your time and help a child with their homework, or you could donate one of the following items for the students: an individually packaged snack or 8 oz. bottles of water. Please contact The Den Coordinator, Andrea Rider at thedenforkids@gmail.com if you would like to volunteer to be a part of this successful program or if you have any questions. Thank you!

Andrea Rider, Den Coordinator

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Additional Announcements

During our “working” lunch May 2, the youth members came up with some great ideas for service projects:

Kids Helping Kids

(from our children and youth to the needy children in the Red Lion community.)

Below are some of the ideas the youth had to raise funds to put toward their goal. Check the weekly bulletins for information on how you can support our youth and their efforts to support St. Paul’s.

- Sandwich and Sub Sales
- Car Washes
- “Camp-In (athon)” sponsorships

Any questions, feel free to contact Andrea at andreastpaulsumc@gmail.com or 717-449-9942

Please note– the water cooler in the center tower entrance has been taken out of service. Thank you for your understanding and we apologize for any inconvenience.

Monday, September 6th–the church office will be closed in observance of the Labor Day holiday. Normal hours will resume Tuesday, September 7th.

St. Paul’s Preschool resumes classes on Tuesday, Sept. 7th and Wednesday, Sept. 8th at 9:00 AM.

Tuesday, September 7th - Cub Scout Pack 28 resumes their meetings here at St. Paul’s downstairs. Boy Scout Troop 28 is scheduled to begin their meetings back here September 15th.

Handbells are scheduled to resume practice on September 13th at 7:00 PM in the adult Sunday school room.

Recycling reminder: There is a box on the table at the rear of the sanctuary for empty printer ink cartridges that you may have. We turn these into various office supply stores for credit which in turn is put towards purchasing office supplies used at St. Paul’s. Please consider helping out our operating budget, as well as our planet by donating yours to be recycled. Thank you.

This Week’s Activities at St. Paul’s

Today: Worship 10:00 AM (sanctuary) Gideon’s Int’l. Sunday

Monday, Sept. 6th: **Labor Day Holiday**

Tuesday, Sept. 7th: Preschool 9 AM
Cub Scouts 6:30 PM (downstairs)

Wednesday, Sept. 8th: Preschool 9:00 AM
Praise Team 6:00 PM (sanctuary)
Cub Committee 6:30 PM (lounge)

Thursday, Sept. 9th: Preschool 9:00 AM
Troop Committee 6:30 PM (lounge)

Friday, Sept. 10th: Preschool 9:00 AM

Saturday, Sept. 11th: **Patriot Day**

Update on Upcoming Maintenance Projects giving– to date, a total of \$52,816.47 has been received towards the list of projects totaling over \$150,000. We thank you for your stewardship in this on-going project to keep the Lord’s house maintained!

Gift Cards still available for purchase– Order forms for these are at the rear of the sanctuary. Completed orders can either be left in the church office, placed in the offering plate or given directly to Wanda Strickler. Card orders normally will be available in the church office after Wednesday of the following week unless otherwise noted. All of these can be used like any other gift card, the full face value of the card is what’s available for spending and a percentage of the purchase of each card comes back to St. Paul’s! Won’t you consider purchasing some of these as a way of helping out our church? Thank you.

The September/October issue of the Upper Room is out on the table at the rear of the sanctuary and on the table in the center tower entrance for your convenience.

Stained Glass Windows– the repairs to the four windows are now complete. The clear coverings were all re-installed the week of Aug. 23. The scaffolding in the Sunday school tower will remain until the plaster and painting around those two windows can be completed. Please exercise caution if you are in that area. Thank you.