

St. Paul's United Methodist Church, Red Lion
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 19, 2021 - Pastor Tim Funk

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

Prelude: "Jesus Loves the Little Children"

Opening Scripture: Isaiah 40:21-26

Hymn # 64 "Holy! Holy! Holy! Lord God Almighty"

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

Scripture Lesson: Proverbs 23:12-25

Sermon: "Help! I Have to Raise My Child" Part 1

Hymn # 445 "Happy the Home When God Is There"

Benediction

Postlude: "He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought"

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.

Today's Scripture reader is Joni Horne.

Today's altar flowers

are to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. & Mrs. George Cooper, Eunice & Arthur and Mr. & Mrs. Elwood Grim, presented by Dot & Glenn Cooper.

Preschool openings are still available for the 2021-2022 School Year! St. Paul's offers the 2-day and 3-day classes. This year, eligible 3 day students may also choose to participate in 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.

Bible Study continues on Tuesday, September 21, 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.

Women in the Word- Women's Bible study will meet again on Saturday, October 16 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.

I wish to thank the families of Emory Ritz, Yvonne Pettit and Madalene Sheeley herself for participating in and being a part of last week's organ rededication and organist recognition service. It provided a window into the outstanding legacy that St. Paul's has in its musical talent. While it was an emotional time for all involved, it enabled everyone to see and hear part of our history here. I am so thankful for everyone's effort and participation. It was a moving and appropriate tribute to all of these individuals. May their accomplishments live on through future generations so that the foundations laid by Emory, Yvonne and Madalene can continue to be heard here! I am humbled to have been a small part of this.

Bob Strickler

Upcoming vacation – please note that the church office will be closed from Sunday, October 3 through Sunday, October 10. Bob and Wanda will be away during those times. Pastor Tim will be available as always during this time and can be reached on his cell phone at 717-448-4059. No gift card orders will be taken Oct. 3rd. If you need gift cards during that time, please be sure to order them by Sept. 26th. If you wish to place something in the weekly bulletin for Sunday, Oct. 10, please have it into the church office by Sept. 29 at the latest. For church business, please contact the office by Oct. 1st, or call in and leave a message, or leave a note in the church office mailbox in the hallway. All will be attended to upon our return to the office on Monday, Oct. 11. Thank you.

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

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

"Great News!!!" The Red Lion and Dallastown School Districts have agreed to begin a **Fellowship of Christian Athletes Chapter** at their respective high schools. The chapters are now in their planning stage with Mr. Bryant Holtzapple as representative and leader. Mr. Holtzapple is a Dallastown High and George Washington University graduate. Funds will be needed for FCA to begin this ministry, as all FCA staff fundraise the support to cover ministry expenses. Bryant is searching for monthly funding amounting to \$3,600. Giving can be completed online at my.fca.org/BHoltzapple. Bryant can be reached at bholtzapple@fca.org or 717-881-9876. Our hope is that many Christians will realize the importance of this valuable ministry and decide to enlist their support! Many Blessings!!!

Normandie Ridge Thrift Boutique Indoor Yard Sale- Friday, October 1 from 9:30-6:00 in the Congressional Dining Room. Jewelry, housewares, framed paintings, home décor, Weis & Giant Gift Cards (with 5% of proceeds going to Friends of Normandie Ridge to benefit residents), and a chance to bid on a king-size Quilt with 2 pillow shams. Call Janice Sewell @ 717-767-4122.

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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 andrestpaulsumc@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.

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.

Altar flowers and bulletin sponsorship spots are still available for the balance of this year. See the church office for Sundays that are open. Please consider signing up to honor or memorialize a loved one while helping to beautify our sanctuary. Thank you.

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.

This Week’s Activities at St. Paul’s

Today: Worship 10:00 AM (sanctuary)

Monday, Sept. 20th: Preschool 9:00 AM
Handbells 7:00 PM (adult SS)

Tuesday, Sept. 21st: Preschool 9 AM
Cub Scouts 6:30 PM (downstairs)
Bible Study 7:00 PM (adult SS)

Wednesday, Sept. 22nd: Preschool 9:00 AM
Praise Team 6:00 PM (sanctuary)

Thursday, Sept. 23rd: Preschool 9:00 AM

Friday, Sept. 24th: Preschool 9:00 AM

Saturday, Sept. 25th:

Update on Upcoming Maintenance Projects giving– to date, a total of \$52,826.47 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 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.