

**St. Paul's United Methodist Church, Red Lion**  
**2nd Sunday In Lent - Communion**  
**March 5, 2023 – Pastor Chris Nauta**  
**\*standing as able**

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

Prelude: "Blessed Assurance"

\*Greeting: The Lord be with you

**And also with you**  
We lift up our eyes, looking for our help.  
**Our help is in the name of the Lord.**  
The Lord will keep us secure.  
**Blessed be the name of the Lord!**

\*Opening Hymn #159: "Lift High the Cross"  
*(Ushers will collect Prayer Requests during this time)*

Prayers of the People of God / Apostle's Creed #881

Holy Communion #890: Prayer of Confession  
#9: Communion Liturgy

Children's Message: "Rich Fool"

The Giving of God's Tithes and Offerings-  
Offertory: "O Worship the King/ He Leadeth Me/Crown Him  
with Many Crowns" Trombone Duet- *Peter and Timothy Howell*

\*The Doxology #94 (UMH)

\*Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Lessons: Old Testament: Genesis 12:1-4

Epistle: Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

\*Gloria Patri #70

\*Gospel Lesson: John 3:1-17

\*Congregational Response

Sermon: "Committing"

\*Closing Hymn #454: "Open My Eyes, That I May See"

Postlude: "To God Be the Glory"

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**Children's Worship/Activities today.** Children may go with Andrea Rider following the children's message.

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**Today's altar flowers**

are to the glory of God and in loving memory as March 4<sup>th</sup> marks the anniversary of the death of my father M. Lee Seitz & my father-in-law Nevin "Buck" Horne, presented by Joni Horne.

**Today's pedestal flowers**

are in honor of Ruth Paules, my beloved sister who provides a considerate, loving & inspirational example of Christianity to our family, presented by Lucy Brenneman.

**The white rose bud**

on the altar marks and honors the life of Barry Stein who passed away Tuesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>. Please keep Barry's family in your thoughts and prayers.

**Those who serve this morning:**

Missy Grove, *Scripture Reader*  
Peter & Timothy Howell, *Special Music*  
Rick Jensen, *Minister of Music*  
Matt Maskaly & Timothy Nauta, *Sound/Video*  
Andrea Rider, *Children's Time*  
Bob Strickler, *Organ*

**This morning, there will be coffee available** at the rear of the adult Sunday school room from 9 AM until the start of the 10 AM worship. This is on a "help yourself" basis. Snacks may be available through donations.

**Just a reminder that you can submit prayer requests online through our website** ([www.saintpauls-um.com](http://www.saintpauls-um.com)). On the home page you will find a link to submit an online prayer request. When you fill out and submit it, the office and pastor will be notified about it. This is open to all, even those who are not a part of our church family.

**Ladies Bible Study-** meets the third Saturday of the month at 9 AM in the adult Sunday school room. Questions? Call Mary Loyer at 717-424-8507.

**Adult Sunday School-** Join us this morning for our Adult Sunday School class. From 9:00 to 9:40 AM. We meet in the Lounge. Our study is on the Book of James and there will be a study book to accompany it. Please let Pastor Chris know if you are interested or if you have any questions or concerns.

**The 2023 Offering Envelopes are here!** They have been placed on the table at the rear of the sanctuary in alphabetical order for your convenience. As in years past, if you see a neighbor, friend or relative's envelopes, why not consider taking them along and dropping them off to them, especially if you have not seen them in awhile? They may enjoy your thoughtfulness and visit. Thank you for your patience and consideration!

**The March/April issue of the Upper Room** is available on the table at the rear of the sanctuary and out in the entryway in the center tower for your convenience.

**Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> is Palm Sunday.** There will be palm stalks available for everyone to get one that Sunday to commemorate Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem.

**Please note- Wi-Fi access in the church is now available via the St. Paul's Guest network.** There is no password required.

**Disaffiliation Results** – We have had some folks who were not at the voting meeting held Saturday, February 11 inquire about the results of that voting. The result was that 69% of those attending voted to disaffiliate, more than the 2/3 needed to pass.

**Save the date- Sunday, April 23, 2023 at 2 PM-** We will have a very special guest organist here at St. Paul's in concert to showcase our Moller pipe organ. Watch for more details to come. You won't want to miss it!!!

## St. Paul's United Methodist Church

45 First Avenue, P.O. Box 250

Red Lion, PA 17356-0250

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday In Lent - Communion

March 5, 2023 10:00 AM



Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8:30 AM - 1:30 PM

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## This Week's Activities at St. Paul's

**Scripture Readers for 2023**— There is a sign-up sheet on the table at the rear of the sanctuary for now thru April. Please consider signing up for this important portion of our weekly worship service. Any questions can be addressed to Pastor Chris or to the church office. Thank you for your participation!

**Recycling of used printer/copier ink cartridges continues**— There is a box on the table at the rear of the sanctuary that these can be put in. These are turned into local stationery stores for credit to purchase office supplies for the church. Please consider helping out our budget with your empty cartridges. Thank you.

**How do you know when services at St. Paul's are cancelled?** There are several ways. The first way is to make sure the church office has your email address. Pastor Chris will send out cancellation notices via email as soon as he would make the decision. The second step would be to check the church's website— [www.saintpauls-um.com](http://www.saintpauls-um.com). The third method is to tune to the ABC affiliate in Harrisburg. It is ABC TV 27, but it may be a different channel on your cable or satellite provider. Then, watch the screen for information regarding St. Paul's, Red Lion. If any of those methods do not work for you, try the church office at 717-244-2355, or contact Pastor Chris directly at 570-529-3466.

**Today:** Adult Sunday School 9-9:40 AM (lounge)  
Coffee will be available today (rear-adult SS room)  
Worship 10:00 AM **Communion** (sanctuary)

**Monday, Mar. 6th:** Preschool 9:00 AM  
Leadership Council 7:00 PM (lounge)

**Tuesday, Mar. 7th:** Preschool 9:00 AM  
Cub Scouts 6:00 PM (FH)  
Joyful Vibrations 7:00 PM (downstairs)

**Wednesday, Mar. 8th :** Preschool 9:00 AM  
Joy-El Kids 1:30 PM (adult SS)  
Praise Team 6:30PM (sanctuary)  
Boy Scouts 6:30 PM (downstairs)  
Cub Committee 6:30 PM (lounge)

**Thursday, Mar. 9th:** Preschool 9:00 AM  
R.L./Felton Band 6:30—8 PM (FH)  
Troop Committee 630 PM (lounge)

**Friday, Mar. 10th:** Preschool 9:00 AM  
Pinewood Derby Set-up 6:00 PM (FH)

**Saturday, Mar. 11th:** Pinewood Derby 8:30 AM-2 PM (FH)  
**Don't forget to turn your clocks ahead this evening!**

**Sunday, Mar. 12th:** **Daylight Savings Time Begins**  
Adult Sunday School 9-9:40 AM (lounge)  
Coffee 9—10 AM (rear adult SS room)  
Worship 10AM 3rd Sunday in Lent (sanct.)

**St. Paul's Preschool has their 2023 Fundraiser Discount Cards available now.** They are still just \$5.00. They have loads of local establishments included and just a few uses pays for the cards with what you save. Please see the church office if you care to purchase some. Thank you.

RED LION WRESTLING CARD- \$5.00 DONATION		
 <b>10% off</b> your purchase of \$10 or more	 <b>10% off \$25.00 or more</b>	 <b>10% off ENTIRE BILL</b> Cape Horn Plaza next to Wells OR 2512 Datto Road, Brogue
 <b>Red Lion Bowl</b> 2 games & get 3rd game FREE!	 <b>10% discount w/\$5.00 min</b>	 <b>\$1.00 off any foot-</b>
 <b>10% off ENTIRE CHECK</b>	 <b>10% discount</b> 2935 E Prospect Rd; York	 <b>\$30 off</b> 1200 Quince Orchard Rd, Pikesville, PA 21222 (771) 578-0487 or more
Cannot be combined with other discounts. Valid 1.1.23—12.31.23		

  

RED LION WRESTLING CARD- \$5.00 DONATION		
 <b>Buy 1 Get 1 Free</b> \$5 Minimum purchase	 <b>10% off Total Purchase</b>	 <b>15% off FOOD</b> purchase of \$25 or more *NO DELIVERY
 <b>10% off TOTAL order</b>	 <b>10% off Red Lion</b> Location Only	 <b>15% off Snow Tubing</b> for up to 4 Tubing passes
 <b>10% off</b> 2 W Main St, Windsor	 <b>10% DISCOUNT</b> Red Lion Location	 <b>Buy One, Get One Free Mini Golf Round</b>
Cannot be combined with other discounts. Valid 1.1.23—12.31.23		

**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. A percentage of the purchase of each card comes back to St. Paul's!* Thank you.

## Volunteer Opportunities for you.....

**Prayer Requests Reminder**—If you have a prayer request you would like to share with Pastor Chris and/or the congregation, please fill out one of the cards located in the pews and hand it to one of the ushers during the opening hymn. The card also has a side where you can indicate if you want the request spoken within the service, or kept for private prayer time. Please be sure to mark that as well.

**The Red Lion Cluster 2023 Lenten Services** have been announced as follows:

**Mar. 5th** — Chapel UMC w/ Rev. Bill Jones

**Mar. 12th** — Winterstown UMC w/ Rev. Ron Doverspike

**Mar. 19th** — St. Paul's UMC w/ Pastor Angie Nett

**Mar. 26th** — Bethany UMC w/ Rev. Becky McGee

**April 2nd** — Bethlehem Stonepile UMC w/ Rev. Josh Wargo

Each service will begin at 6 PM each Sunday evening, with a time of fellowship & refreshments after.

**Easter Lilies can be ordered now-** The traditional white lilies are \$12.50 each this year. Order envelopes are on the tables at the rear of the sanctuary for your convenience. Please be sure to mark how you would like them dedicated to in the bulletin (In Honor of /In Memory of). Make checks payable to St. Paul's U.M. Church. All orders must be in to the church office by March 19th latest or before to ensure that we are able to get them for Easter Sunday. Thank you.

**A request regarding Children's Church**— All children are welcome to come to Children's Church. In consideration of the other children in attendance, we ask that if your child is sick or not feeling well to please keep them with you in the worship service. Thank you.

**When mailing something into the church**, here is an example of how our address should appear on the envelope or package coming to us:

St Paul's U M Church  
45 First Ave  
P O Box 250  
Red Lion, PA 17356-0250

Thank you for keeping this in mind as you mail things to us.

**Flower and Bulletin Sponsors for 2023**— The 2023 sign-up register is in the church office on the desk. Thank you to all who sponsored these throughout 2022. If you signed up in 2022 and want that similar spot in 2023, please let the office know. Otherwise, that spot may go to someone else, or not be filled without this information. Thank you!

**Mission Central needs your help for the flood and hurricane victims around the country and now the earthquakes in Turkey and Syria!** Please consider donating to their cause, as well as keeping their efforts and purpose in your prayers. The world-wide need for their services is greater now than ever.

**Organizer Needed for the AMBA Wellness Testing Program** held here at St. Paul's each April. After 13+ years of heading this, Kim Kopp is stepping down. This position involves contacts with AMBA, scheduling, advertising and scheduling volunteers to help that day. Kim will still avail herself as a helper. If you have questions, please give Kim a call at 717-244-7394 for more info.

**Offering Counters**—Two individuals have stepped forward to learn this function. We are thankful for their willingness to learn this and for their time. If anyone else cares to be a part of this team, please contact the church office, or speak with Joyce & Ed Brown or Susan Ferguson for more info.

**Head Ushers** are needed on these Sundays: **March 19, March 26, April 2** (Palm Sunday-NO Communion this Sunday, will be on Maundy Thursday), **April 9** (Easter Sunday), **April 16, April 23** and **April 30**. There is a sign-up sheet on the back table in the sanctuary. Please consider volunteering for this easy endeavor.

**Help is needed in preparing the Communion Elements** for the first Sunday of the month. The elements can easily be prepared in less than 30 minutes. It would also require clean up after the service, again time is less than 30 minutes. See Amy Glock if you can help. Thank you.

**Our church will host a Sunday evening Lenten Service** on March 19 at 6:30 PM. Help is needed to set up and serve light refreshments after the service for the attendees. Please see Amy Glock if you can help.