March 5, 2017

St Paul's United Methodist Church & Wesley Foundation THE WEEKLY

Calendar of Discipleship Opportunities

Sunday, March 5
8:00 am Worship Service with Communion
9:15 am Traditional Worship Service
10:15 am Coffee Fellowship (Social Room)
10:45 am Contemporary Style Worship Service

Monday, March 6
5:00 pm Prayer (Sanctuary)

Tuesday, March 7
12:00 pm Lunch & Prayer (Social Room, Frank Chapel)
12:00 pm Holy Yoga (Wesley 204)
12:30 pm Women of Purpose (Ed. Center 308)
6:00 pm Troop 31 Adult Leaders Meeting (Gym)
7:00 pm Troop 31 Meeting (Gym)

Wednesday, March 8
9:30 am Women of Faith, Hope & Love (Ed. Center 3rd floor)
5:30 pm Wednesday Prayer Gathering (Frank Chapel)
6:00 pm Troop 31 Merit Badge (Wesley 204)
6:30 pm The Bear Den (Wesley 303)
6:30 pm Webelo II (Wesley 205)

Thursday, March 9
9:30 am Program Directors Meeting (Wesley 202)
12:00 pm Ruth Circle Meeting (Ed. Center 3rd floor)

Friday, March 10
6:30 am Accountable Disciples (Social Room)

Saturday, March 11
9:00 am Shoe Bank (Wesley 203)

Sunday School Schedule

NO Sunday School for Children today

CHILDREN		
9:15	**Children's Sunday School**	Education Center 1st & 2nd floors

ADULTS		
9:15	**Seekers & Servants**	Wesley 202
10:45	**Adult Bible Study (ABS)**	Wesley 204
	The 10:45 Forum	Asbury Room/ Library

Music Ministry Rehearsals

Contact Russell Bloom at stpaulsmusicsce@gmail.com

Wellspring Praise Team
Sunday 9:00 am Wesley 204
Wednesday 5:30 pm Sanctuary

Chancel Choir
Thursday 7:00 pm Sanctuary

Carillon Handbell Choir
Tuesday 6:00 pm Asbury Room

Cherub Choir (grades K-2)
Sunday 10:10 am Ed. Center 103

Angelus Choir (grades 3-6)
Sunday 10:10 am Ed. Center 208

Find us on: facebook. Music Ministry at St. Paul's

Everyone is invited to Coffee Fellowship in the Social Room following 9:15 am Worship

NOTES

FREE blood pressure screening today in the Parlor, 8:30-11 am. Held the first Sunday of each month. All are welcome!

The Charge Conference on Monday, February 27 voted to move forward with the Growing Effective Churches Consultation report prescriptions. We hope you will join us as we begin to pray for our neighbors and for God's vision for us in this new chapter of our story together, as we live into our mission.
See next article.

Lenten Prayer Opportunities: All are invited to join the pastors for prayer on Tuesdays during Lent, March 7-April 11: Lunch & Prayer (bring your own), 12-1 pm, beginning in the Social Room; and Evening Prayer, 5:30-6:30 in the Sanctuary. No need to RSVP.

St. Paul's Pastors and the Hospital Visitation Team would like to offer you spiritual care during your hospital stay. Please notify the church office if a stay is in your future or that of a loved one. Thank you.

GROW

During Lent, both Adult Bible Study (ABS) and Seekers & Servants classes will be studying "I Am" sayings of Jesus using Rob Fuquay's book, *The God We Can Know*. Think of this 7-Sunday study as a Lenten discipline–no extended commitment expected. Study begins March 5. See front page for times and locations.

"What Christians Need to Know About the Qur'an" by Dr. Jonathan Brockopp (PSU Associate Professor of History and Religious Studies). Sunday, March 19, 1 pm, in the Sanctuary. Preceded by a 12 pm salad luncheon in the Social Room. Please RSVP for lunch at church entryways on March 5 or 12. Sponsored by the UMW. All are welcome!

Ruth UMW Circle will meet on Thursday, March 9, 12 pm on the 3rd floor of the Education Center. Joan Zimmer will present a program on immigration.

Friendship UMW Circle will meet March 13, 12-1 pm, in the Social Room for spiritual encouragement and UMCOR flood bucket planning.

Deborah UMW Circle will meet March 15, 7 pm at Dottie's house, Program with Russell Bloom.

Mary and Martha UMW Circle will meet March 15, 10:30 am, at Hoss's. Watch the *Weekly* for program details.

SERVE

Please keep Jen and the students on the Ecumenical Service Learning trip to Washington DC in your prayers. They return next Saturday.

Are you interested in learning more about the Rwanda Mission Trips? You can follow Carol Falke's blog at cdfalke.blogspot.com. The team will be there March 5-April 2.

Usher assistance needed for the 10:45 service: Volunteers are needed for Sunday mornings to help organize and coordinate the distribution of bulletins, collect the offering and help with communions at the 10:45 service. Please contact the church office with your information.

Wanted people to help deliver flowers to shut-ins. We can give you names, just a short visit and drop off the flowers. It would not be very often. You would only have to deliver one at a time unless you wanted to do more. It does put sunshine on a person's face.
Contact Dottie at 814-883-7497 or Barb 404-0583.

A Sunday morning volunteer is needed in the Church Office. This one Sunday a month need is during the 9:15 service. Want to help but not on a regular basis? Sign up for the substitute list. Contact Linda Heverly (lheverly@stpaulsc.org; 237-2163). Thank you!

VIM short term mission team member training: Topics include cultural sensitivity, team orientation, budgeting, insurance protections and more. March 25 at Minitab, Inc., State College, PA 8:30 am, bring your own lunch, no charge. Please preregister with Curt Knouse (cknouse@susumc.org).

Jambo Rafiki! Won't you join us on our Safari as we prepare for Kingdom of the Son, African Prayer Safari Vacation Bible School? Thanks to Becky Robison, Tracy Binkley and Lori Smith for saying YES to directing VBS 2017, June 19-23, 6-8:30pm. Please say YES when asked! Questions? Contact Tori (tvonleer@stpaulsc.org).

GIVE

"Fill the Coop" - Wesley students are raising money this semester to purchase much needed chicks for the Urukundo Village Farm, Rwanda, Africa by collecting coins during Lent. Drop your coins in the buckets at the back of the Sanctuary. Just $85 buys 100 chicks–every coin counts!

Got Spring Yard Work?
The Mountain TOP team will be available on April 1 and 22 to do your yard chores! To thank them, make a donation toward their June trip. Email spyardwork@outlook.com today to get on the schedule first. Thanks to Dave Fecko for receiving requests and organizing jobs.

The Easter Tree is up in the Ed. Center Lobby! Pick up an egg from the tree, put $5 inside and return it to the basket under the tree. We will be able to share Jesus' love with a child at Park Forest Nursery School (formerly PFDN)! Questions? Contact Cindy Regel (theregels@comcast.net).

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Tori Von Leer, 237-2163 ext. 148
tvonleer@stpaulsc.org

Children's Sunday School will not be held today! We will meet again March 12! Sunday Nursery Care for infants and toddlers continues to be offered today in Ed Center Room 101.

SAVE THE DATE! April 2 the elementary classes will participate in an Informal Passover Seder during the Children's Sunday School hour. The Informal Seder will be the culmination of their 4-week unit on the Symbols of Holy Week. If you would like to be part of this event, please contact Tori.

It's not too early to start planning for your child to attend a Susquehanna Conference Summer Camp. You can get a quick overview of this year's camps by using the link www.susumcamps.org .

Save-the-Dates! Please mark your calendars for these opportunities for your children to grow in faith this summer: **Vacation Bible School** will be held June 19-23 from 6-8:30 pm and **Summer Musical Camp** returns June 26-30, 8:45-11:45 am. The camp performance will be June 30 in the evening. More details coming soon!

All volunteers in children's classes/activities are required to have Safe Sanctuary clearances. Contact Tori for information.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Dave Fisher, 237-2163 ext. 137
dfisher@stpaulsc.org

TONIGHT: No SPYF meeting.

Next Sunday, March 12: SPYF Messy Game Night from 5:30-8 pm on the 3rd floor of the Ed. Center. All in grades 6-12 are welcome. Wear clothes you don't mind getting stained!

SPYF Students: Don't forget to bring in the change you've saved to help support our friend Ruth!

CAMPUS MINISTRY

Jen Gruendler, 238.6739 ext. 139
jgruendler@stpaulsc.org
www.wesleypsu.org

Abba Java Hours
Join us for free coffee, snacks, wifi, and community!
Monday-Thursday: 9 am-9 pm
Friday: 9 am-5 pm
Sunday: 12 pm-5 pm

Abba Java will be closed for Spring Break. We will be back open on March 13 at 9 am.

Next Grad Student Dinner: March 14 at 6:30 pm! All graduate students are welcome to come enjoy good food, conversation, and community.

Every Wednesday of Lent
Wesley students will be having dinner "out" at congregation members homes. Students, join us for food, prayer, and community. RSVP to Jen.

There are no college Lunches in Abba Java on March 5 or March 12 due to Spring Break. On March 19 the students will join in with the UMW lunch in the Social Room. Lunch in Abba Java will resume on March 26.

HEALTH MINISTRIES

Renae Schunk, 237-2163 ext. 152
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Walk to Jerusalem: As of February 25, we have walked 4,772 miles! We are now in the North Sea. Check the McAllister Lobby for our progress, and keep logging your mileage, steps, or minutes of activity. Devotion Booklet and log-in link are on the St. Paul's website.

COMMUNITY

Service opportunities! We at St. Paul's UMC had our own fire in the 1980's. Christ UMC in Selinsgrove, PA has three work weeks are planned in March to help repair fire damage to their church. A great chance to serve, and not far from home! Contact Gary Bunch for details (glbunch50@gmail.com).

ACAP- Centre County provides information and support for adult children caring for aging parents. You are invited to attend a free educational presentation by Donna Snyder on "Spiritual Consciousness for the Final Season of Life" on March 14 at 5:30 pm at Country Inn and Suites in State College. Call 1-877 -599-2227 or visit www.ACAPcommunity.org.

***What's Happening?* email updates:** This weekly email blast highlights a few of the many activities taking place at St. Paul's. Please send your email address to Virginia at vflick@stpaulsc.org, if you would like to receive these email updates.

Prayer Requests and Praises: Place a prayer/praise request card in the offering plate or contact Shannon McChesney-Brungart (smcchesneybrungart@icloud.com; 355-2870).

Hospital Visitation: Due to privacy regulations, we must depend on our members to inform the church of the hospitalization of their family members or neighbors who desire spiritual care. Please call the church office at 237-2163.

Visit the Library located in the Asbury Room on the 3rd floor. Checkout/return books any time the church is open.

Alive Now ($1.75) ***& Upper Room*** ($.80 reg. print; $1.25 large print) for March/April are available in the magazine racks outside Sanctuary entrances.

WELCOME TABLE

Please pick up nametags at the welcome table

9:15 am Louise Albert (Calder)
Ethel Leach (College)

10:45 am Phyllis Stuby (College)

GREETERS

Please pick up nametags at the welcome table

9:15 am Betty Knouse (Calder)
Nancy Silverman (College)

10:45 am Bob & Lynn Phillips (Calder)
The Marshall Family (College)

ATTENDANCE

	2/19	2/26
8:00 am	51	39
9:15 am	274	302
10:45 am	145	164
Total	**470**	**505**

PASTORAL STAFF

Senior Pastor ..... Greg Milinovich
Associate Pastor ..... Becky McGee
Director of the Wesley Foundation ..... Jen Gruendler

SERVICES

8:00 am Traditional Worship with Communion
9:15 am Traditional Worship
10:45 am Contemporary Style Worship

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

10:15 am (Social Room)

HOURS

Church Office:
Monday-Friday 9 am-4 pm

Custodian Scheduled:
Sunday 7 am-3 pm
Monday-Friday 9 am-10 pm
Saturday 8 am-12:30 pm

PARKING INFORMATION

The church parking lot (corner of Locust Lane & Calder Way) is reserved for renters & staff Monday-Friday from 7 am-5 pm. All others will be towed at the owner's expense. Parking is available on the street or in a nearby parking facility. After 5 pm the parking lot is available to those attending church functions.

Submitting an article?
The St. Paul's *Weekly* deadline is every Monday at 4 pm. Announcements must be 50 words or less and may run no longer than 3 weeks. *The Messenger* deadline is the second Wednesday of each month at noon (announcements 200 words or less). Email articles to cfisher@stpaulsc.org.

Please note when submitting articles, both publications appear on our church website. If you prefer to keep your address/phone number private, and a contact is necessary, you may refer people to the church office to get your contact information.