



THE WEEKLY

Meeting/Making/Moving Opportunities

Sunday, December 17

Alternative Christmas Gifts at Entrances

- 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
- 5:30 pm St. Paul's Youth Fellowship (Ed. Center 3rd floor)

Monday, December 18

- 5:30 pm Prayer (Sanctuary)

Tuesday, December 19

- 12:30 pm Women of Purpose (Ed. Center 308)
- 6:30 pm Stephen Ministry Supervision/Education (Ed. Center 303)

Wednesday, December 20

- 9:30 am Women of Faith, Hope & Love (Ed. Center 3rd floor)
- 5:30 pm Wednesday Prayer Gathering (Frank Chapel)

Thursday, December 21

- 7:00 pm Blue Christmas Worship Service (Sanctuary)

Friday, December 22-January 1

Closed for the Holidays

Sunday, December 24

- 10:00 am Worship Service

Christmas Eve Services:

- 4:00 pm Family Service
- 7:00 pm Blended Worship Candlelight Service
- 9:00 pm Contemplative Candlelight Service with Communion
- 11:00 pm Traditional Candlelight Service

Sunday, December 31

- 10:00 am Lessons and Carols Worship Service

Sunday School Schedule

No Sunday School on Sundays, December 24 or 31

CHILDREN & YOUTH		
9:15	Children's Sunday School	Ed. Center 1 st and 2 nd floors
	SPYF Sunday School	Ed. Center 3 rd floor

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

Music Ministry Rehearsals

Contact Russell Bloom at stpaulsmusicsce@gmail.com

Wellspring Praise Team

- Sunday 9:00 am Wesley 204
- Tuesday 7:00 pm Sanctuary
- Wednesday 5:30 pm Sanctuary

Christmas Band

- Sunday 12:00 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 3rd floor



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

Thursday, December 21, the church office will close at 11:45 am for a staff Christmas party.

The church will be closed December 22-January 2 for the Christmas holiday. Non-urgent voicemail messages will be returned after 9 am on January 2. St. Paul's staff wish for you and yours a Blessed Christmas and Happy New Year!

Un-decorating of the church will occur with a pizza dinner on Tuesday, January 2, beginning at 5:30 pm. Please RSVP for dinner by December 20, to the church office (237-2163; stpauls@stpaulsc.org).

St. Paul's UMC and Wesley Foundation Corporation ANNUAL ELECTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES is Sunday, January 21 after each worship service. The candidates are: Dustin Case, Ed Ferguson, Kelly Grimes, Jason Lukehart, Bob Rayman, and Jason Slocum. Information & bio sheets are located around the church. Proxy ballots are in the church office.

MEETING

UMW would like to thank all those who contributed in any way (helping with set-up or clean-up, or baking cookies or attending) to make our Christmas program a success. Special thanks to Bobbi Korner for a wonderful presentation that was enjoyed by all.

Blue Christmas Worship Service: Thursday, December 21 at 7 pm in the Sanctuary. The service's intention is to offer to those hurting the hope found in Jesus Christ. This is an ecumenical ministry of Grace Lutheran Church, State College Presbyterian Church, and St. Paul's.

On Sundays, December 24 and 31 there will be one morning worship service at 10 am. There will be no Sunday School for children or youth, and no Coffee Fellowship. Nursery

care will be available in Ed. Center 100 during the service.

Christmas Eve Evening Services:

4:00 pm Family Service
7:00 pm Blended Worship
Candlelight Service
9:00 pm Contemplative Candlelight Service with Communion
11:00 pm Traditional Candlelight Service

See the Community Bulletin Board in the McAllister Street Lobby for more opportunities to meet new people.

MAKING

The afternoon knit/crochet group will meet on Tuesday, December 19 at 12 pm for a salad luncheon to celebrate the Christmas season. We will meet at Betty Blazer's clubhouse, please note the time change. All are welcome.

Friendship UMW Circle will meet Monday, January 8 at 11:30 am in the Social Room. Bring your lunch and share in the fellowship. All welcome.

Ruth UMW Circle will meet on Thursday, January 11, at 12 pm on the 3rd floor of the Education Center. All ladies are welcome!

Created by God returns to St. Paul's February 1-4, 2018! This event is for 5th-7th graders. Parents, you can get info at www.stpaulsc.org/children. Registration deadline is January 15. Get it in before Christmas! Questions? Contact Tori Von Leer (237-2163X148, tvonleer@stpaulsc.org).

MOVING

THANK YOU cookie bakers for sharing the joy of Christmas with those who are homebound! Special thanks to my helpers: Emmie Bence, Deb Grow, Cindy Regel and Suzy Lutz. God is good. - Betty Blazer

Thank you St. Paul's & Wesley Foundation! UMCOR (United Methodist Committee On Relief) reports, as of November 10, the following designated gifts were received: Disaster Response-U.S., \$12,370.25; Disaster Response-International, \$600.00; and Undesignated, \$185.00. One-hundred percent of these funds go directly to the people who need it most. Visit www.umcor.org to learn more.

Alternative Christmas Gifts: Volunteers with forms to be filled out for an Alternative Christmas gift will be at tables in each lobby today. You may choose a charity listed on the form or write in a charity of your choice. Honor cards to give instead of packaged gifts will also be available at the tables.

Homelessness among Penn State students is a real problem, and we may be able to help! If you have ideas, feel called to serve in some way, or are just curious, please call or email Pastor Becky (237-2163X124, bmcgee@stpaulsc.org.) We will explore how we as a faith community can show mercy to our neighbors.

Seeking hosts for Sunday college lunches next semester: Contact Jean Chirpas (571-0603) for information and to volunteer. Thanks to all who helped this semester!

Save the dates! Out of the Cold will be hosted by St. Paul's January 29-February 11. Training: Saturday, January 13, 10 am & Sunday, January 21, 12 pm in St. Paul's gym. One training session is needed before hosting or staying overnight. Questions: Contact Mark Doyle (280-6656). Interested in helping: www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0f45a9ad2ba5fa7-stpaul.

and moving into new expressions of love and service

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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

Caroling at Foxdale: The children's choirs invite all children to join them for caroling with Foxdale memory care residents on Monday, December 18, 3:50-4:30 pm. Contact Joanna for details: joannacarlson@gmail.com.

The Nativity Story is a film about the time leading up to Jesus' birth. There are 2 copies in the church library. There is some historical violence, so please pre-screen the film before viewing with young children. Check one out and share the story of Jesus' birth with your family!

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

Sunday evening SPYF meets on the 3rd floor of the Ed. Center, 5:30-8 pm. Dinner, lesson and game. Join us for our final meeting of the year!

SPYF Sunday School meets at 9:15 on the 3rd floor of the Education Center. All in grades 6-12 are welcome.

Visit www.stpaulsc.org/SPYNFO for more info on all SPYF programs, retreats, and special events!

CAMPUS MINISTRY

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

Abba Java Hours:

Abba Java will reopen on January 8, at 9 am. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

2017 Poinsettias

The beautiful poinsettias in our Sanctuary and the many contributions to our Benevolent Homes Christmas Offering are given by friends and relatives in honor, appreciation and memory of their loved ones.

Presented in Loving Memory of:

Our Parents, by Monroe and Jane Armes
Emmie Bence, by the Grow Family
Bob and Marion Briscoe, Frances Fairchild, Mary Ann Frazier, Natalie Gedon, Jane Murphy, Kay Sefchick, Ed and Peach Stevens, Isabel Stout, Dave Wilson, Marilyn Young and Sue Ziegler, by Peggy Hoover
John A. Cox, by Martha Cox and family
Lynn Culp, by Bill Culp
Tina Czajkowski, Mr. and Mrs. William Murphy, by Thomas Czajkowski
James W. and Fayette K. Dunlop, by Jim and Flossie Dunlop
Laura Forbes, by Robert Forbes
Our Parents, by David and Diane Gustine
John Haffly, by Linda Haffly and Tracy Scala
Marion and James Holliday, by Robin and Russell Barton
James and Sarah Hopkins, Harold and Myrtle Shirey, by Fred and Nancy Hopkins
Lois and Robert Koch, Gladys and Abe Shore, parents and grandparents; Karen Ganter, dear friend, by the Richard Shore Family
Our Parents, by Bob and Carol Lewis
Janie, Rick and Jack, by the Madore Family
Rev. Warren and Dottie Mohr, James and Erma Miller, by Philip and Leann Mohr
Ernie and Emma Neal, beloved parents and grandparents,
by Dana Neil, Van and Cole Arvin
Philip Nelson, by his Family
Our Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Whitaker,
by Bob and Lynn Phillips
Laura H. Rayman and Anita K. Hatch, daughters, by Cordell and Nancy Hatch
John and Cheryl Servant, by the Servants
Paul and Virginia Shoemaker, Juanita Shoemaker, Nancy Grazier, by Judy Shoemaker
My husband, Bill, and our Parents, by Ruth Smith
Sam and Arlene Smith, by Ryan Kelley, Shane Way and Catelyn Way
Sam and Arlene Smith, by Stacey Kelley, Bob Meyer and Debra Way
Fred Spannum, by Nancy Spannum and Family
Isabelle Stout, Bob and Marion Briscoe, Natalie Gedon, by their ChristCare friends
Dick Stuby, by Phyllis and Family
Herbert and Wilhelmina Tiffany, by the Tiffany Family
Anne and Buzz Triebold, by the Triebold Family
Doug Vonada, by Dee and Family
Her mother, Dot Wian, by Tammy, Bill and Carson Jones
Dot Wian, wife and mother, by Hubert Wian Family
Ronald and Myrtle Williams, by Jay and Karen Williams
Dave Wilson, our cherished husband, father and grandpa, by Joan Wilson and Family
Jim Winck, by Susan Winck and Family
Stella and William Morgan and Ray Young, by John and Deb Young
Richard Zindler, by Leann and Family

Presented in Loving Honor of:

Our Children, by Jake and Cindy Alexander
Our Children and Grandchildren, by Judy and Lou Geschwindner
Norma G. Hatch, daughter-in-law, by Cordell and Nancy Hatch
Ella Mae Kuhns, by Jay and Karen Williams
Our Children and Grandchildren, by Dave and Patsy Nelson
Elizabeth Specht—dear friend and mentor, by Leanne Zindler
Her Father, Hubert Wian and Bonnie Wolfe, by Tammy, Bill and Carson Jones
His Children, Grandchildren and Bonnie Wolfe, by Hubie Wian
Kim and Brian, Tim and Heather, by Susan Winck
Jeanne Young, by John and Deb Young

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; 880-1959).

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.

Upper Room (\$.80 reg. print; \$1.25 large print) for January/February are available in the magazine racks outside Sanctuary entrances.

WELCOME TABLE

Please pick up nametags at the welcome table

- 9:15 am Bobbi and Jim Korner (Calder)
Sue Hutchison (College)
- 10:45 am Tami Mistrick (Calder)
Barbara DeShong (College)

GREETERS

Please pick up nametags at the welcome table

- 9:15 am The Bonsall Family (Calder)
Jan Becker (College)
- 10:45 am The Gerardo Family (Calder)
Caitlin & Dave Fisher (College)

ATTENDANCE - December 10

8:00 am	43
9:15 am	340
10:45 am	159
Total	542

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, 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.

ARTICLE AND SLIDE SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The Weekly: Due Mondays at 4 pm. 50 word limit. Will run no longer than 3 weeks.

The Messenger (monthly): Due the second Wednesday of each month at 12 pm. 200 word limit.

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.

Email articles to cfisher@stpaulsc.org

Sunday Morning Slides: Due Wednesdays. Must be JPEG files (no PowerPoint). Indicate the order in which you want them to appear.

Email slides to stpaulsmedia@gmail.com

