

St. Paul's Letter

May 2025

Eastertide





St. Paul Lutheran Church

222 North George Street Millersville, Pennsylvania 17551

CHURCH COUNCIL 2024-2025

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Rev. Mark Kopp, Pastor

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Finance

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Other Contacts

Church office: 717-872-7392

Email: office@stpaulmillersville.org

Website: www.stpaullutheranmillersville.org

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.-Worship & Holy Communion

Our Staff

Preaching and Presiding Minister: Rev. Mark Kopp
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Pastor David Fisher: Pastor Emeritus
Dave Ellenberg: Church Council President
Lucy Esbenshade: Choir Director
Cathy Regitz: Sexton
Church Office Hours: M-F 8:00 a.m. to 12:00p.m.
Email: office@stpaulmillersville.org

May Birthdays

Joan Harrold 2nd	Cy Fritz 15th
Shelia Kahler 3rd	Bill Kahler 15th
Donald Horn 4th	Bill Engle 19th
Barry Leed 6th	John Evanko 24th
Sharon Engle 7th	Wyatt Henry 27th
Dan Kahler 9th	Celeste Brooks 29th
Molly Waltimyer 14th	Katie Martin 29th

In a continuing effort of have our church database as accurate as possible, birthday data is being addressed. PLEASE, if your May birthday is missing from this list, let the office know as soon as possible. Thank you.

Helping Hands					
May	4	11	18	25	
Bulletins	Frank Witmer	Linda Hiney	Carrie Henry	Sandy Miller	
Sunday School	Linda Hampton	Mothers' day Brunch	NONE	No SS	
Flowers Vase 1	Peggy Bruce	Marty & Bill Kahler	Jan & Ray Sylte	Celeste & Tim Brooks	
Flowers Vase 2	Peggy Bruce	Sherry Symonds	Jan & Ray Sylte	Celeste & Tim Brooks	
Usher 1	Holly Freas-Webster	Tim Brooks	Lori Dierolf	Dee Perry	
Usher 2	Linda Hampton	Sue Ellenberg	Jim Dierolf	Betty Bringman	
Usher 3	Bruce Hampton	Dave Ellenberg	Lois Detz	Sue Ellenberg	
Usher 4	Frank Witmer	Dick Shipman	John Detz	Dave Ellenberg	
Altar Guild 1	Dee Perry	Dee Perry	Dee Perry	Dee Perry	
Altar Guild 2	Sandy Miller	Sandy Miller	Sandy Miller	Sandy Miller	
Lector	TBA	Linda Hiney	Frank Witmer	Suzanne Herr	
Lay Assistant	Sue Ellenberg		Jim Bernheisel	Michele Carpenter	

Bev's Bakers



May

- 4 Bill Engle
- 11 (Mothers' day Breakfast)
- 18 Polly Irwin
- 25 Ria Van Aulen



Finance, Finance, Finance

March Update:

Giving Income	\$ 10,847
Other Income	\$ 1,891
Expenses	\$ 19,170
Net Income/ deficit	\$ (6,431)



May Worship

- 4 Third Sunday of Easter
- 11 Fourth Sunday of Easter + Mothers' Day Brunch
- 18 Fifth Sunday of Easter
- 25 Sixth Sunday of Easter



Come to the meetings, stay for the fun!

- † Wednesday, April 30th – Great Grub Fellowship Club at The Bunker (Crossgates, Millersville) at 5:30pm.
- † Sunday, May 11th: “Mother’s Day Breakfast Experience: Crafted with Care” after service
- † Tuesday, May 13th: Great Grub Fellowship Club at Per Diem Restaurant in Lititz at 5:30pm.
- † Wednesday, May 14th - Penn Manor High School Spring Concert – 7pm to 8pm
(not sure of ticket pricing)
- † Saturday, May 17th – The Loft Community Partnership “Grow with Us” Fundraiser; 11am – 1pm (held at old ambulance building – 100 East Charlotte Street, Millersville). More ticket information to come.
- † Saturday, May 24th at 6:45am – Barnstormers Game with Fireworks.

BUT WAIT! There’s more. Please check for signup sheets for these and other exciting events.

Events where tickets are required are “Pay in Advance”.

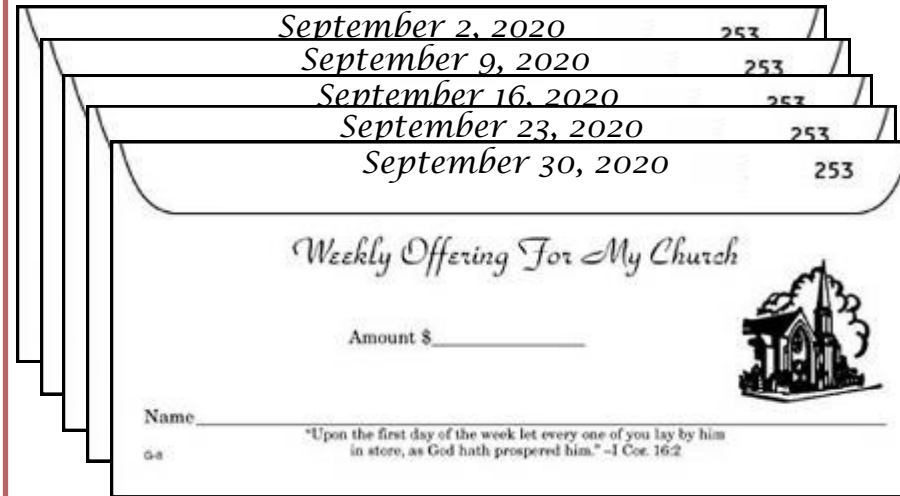
Please use the provided envelopes.

Handle With Care

Our worship folders are important to us and are used for multiple weeks whenever possible. Please refrain from bending, folding, or mutilating them and make sure they get back to the basket for next time. ALSO, the same is true for the lessons and the bulletins...they have another use after the service. Inserts such as the Healing Service and hymns are also recycled for next time.

(Apologies if anyone finds this material offensive)

It's Nice to Catch Up– However...



Life happens, and all too often we get busy, our routines morph over time, and sometimes we just need to do a “reset”. If you find yourself in this situation, and you feel it is time to catch-up on your offering envelopes, here are some, hopefully, helpful facts:

✚ The various envelopes: Easter, Ash Wednesday, April 6th, November 13th, etc. are to provide a calendar point of reference for the giver.

✚ All the collections, or donations, go into the same place from an accounting perspective...the bank. It doesn't matter what envelope is used, it all goes to the same place. If your name and/or envelope number is on the envelope, you will receive credit.

✚ Special designations, such as Building Fund, Campership, Discretionary Fund, or other specific cost center, all go the same bank, but are separated out into the various budget centers in our ledger.

✚ So, in summary, it is not necessary to send in a bunch of missed envelopes with a check or cash in each. One envelope will do the job. You may note on the envelope if some portion of your donation is to be directed to Building fund, etc.

✚ If you have any questions, just give the office a call: 717-872-7392

Help Wanted

Pastor Kopp wanted to make sure that everyone knew that the role of the Cantor, leading the congregation in the Kyrie and Psalm, is open to anyone who wishes to do so. If you are interested in participating in the service in this way, please let Bill know. It is not difficult and you will have the psalm ahead of time to practice. Bill will even help you if you are unsure. Get involved! Make a joyful noise! Also, you do not have to sing from the balcony, you may do so from your seat! Could it be any easier?



Annual Plant Sale Is Here



Spring is here and so is the annual flower sale. (which includes herbs and vegetables too) This year, pick up will be on Friday, May, 9th. Stock up for Mothers' Day! Start planning your gardens today! As always, the benefits from this will go to support our ministry to the Haitian orphanage. The deadline to order plants is May 4th. If you have questions, contact Bernice Althouse or Karen Napier. Thanks for your support.

Mothers' Day Crafted With Care Breakfast

We are celebrating Mothers' Day again this year with a breakfast. If you haven't signed up yet, get your name on that list. As always, you do not HAVE to bring something, there is always enough to share! May 11th—MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Easter Morning!



You do not need to adjust your vision...the room was flooded with bubbles!



Easter Egg Hunt



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2025 VBS

JUNE 22-26 MARK YOUR CALENDARS



FOR CHILDREN AGES 4 THRU 6TH GRADE

6:30-8:00 PM

***BRING THE KIDS, GRAND KIDS, GREAT GRAND KIDS,
NEIGHBOR'S KIDS! (ASK FIRST)***

***💧 MUSIC, CRAFTS, GAMES, SNACKS, AND BIBLE STORIES THAT
HAVE WATER AS AN ESSENTIAL ELEMENT!***

***💧 AS ALWAYS, HELP IS NEEDED. SEE KAREN NAPIER TO SEE
WHERE YOU MAY FIT INTO THE TEAM***

***💧 THE FINAL NIGHT OF VBS, THURSDAY, THERE WILL BE A PICNIC.
THE CONGREGATION IS INVITED***

💧 WILL THERE BE A SIGN UP SHEET? ABSOLUTELY!

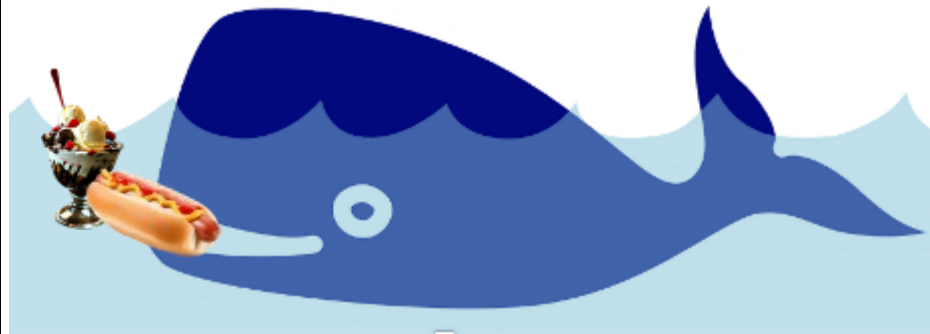


Photo Directory

As you may have heard, we are restarting the effort to create a photo directory. Pictures will be taken before and after church.

We are hoping that there will be much more cooperation this time around without the need to hound people to have their picture taken. The photos will be taken in the Sunday School room that is in the hall by the elevator. At the time your



picture is taken, we will also be validating individual member information so the database is as accurate as possible. With that in mind, when you come, please have the following information available if possible. We realize that some of the information is ancient history and that exact dates are difficult to divine. In these cases, close enough is good enough. Here are the information fields we are looking to fill: (assuming we have your name)

Address

Birth Date

Home Phone

Baptism Date

Cell Phone

Marriage Date

Email address

Many have opted to remove their land-line. There are still many land-lines in the database. Many more than probably exist. So we will be looking at removing land-line numbers where appropriate.

Thank you in advance for your help and cooperation.

Summer's Almost Here

While the choir is on hiatus for the summer, worship continues. That means giving back to God our Time, Talent, and Treasures. Musically, we are looking for time and talent. We need folks to volunteer to offer a song in worship. It is not difficult. You sing every Sunday in the pews, what would be so different singing from the balcony? It's a piece of cake and your fellow members rarely throw tomatoes.



You CAN sing. Please talk to Lucy or Bill if you would like offer something this summer.

Even if it is just a hymn, something new or an oldie but goodie. Stepping out of your comfort zone actually

E X P A N D S your comfort zone.

Remember Family Members in Your Prayers

Gail Gilday
Marilyn Homsher
Ann Nagle
Mary Ann Oren
Marion Trimble
Peggy Bruce
Kay Cherry
Patty & Barry Leed
Eleanor Ottolini
Charles Scharnberger
Nancy Eberle
Peg Siglin

Shirley & Howard Shuffelbottom
Ruth Derby
Louise & Bob Diamond

*Please contact the
office if you would
like to add some-
one to this list.*



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The Rev. Mark S. Kopp, Pastor

Our mission statement:

**Called through the gospel of Jesus Christ, St. Paul Lutheran
Church seeks to hear and heed Christ's call to discipleship
through worship, learning, and serving the Millersville
Community with the love of God.**