

St. Paul's Letter

June 2026



*A father never stands as tall as
when he kneels to help his child*



St. Paul Lutheran Church

222 North George Street Millersville, Pennsylvania 17551

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June Birthdays



Patty Leed 1st

Bruce Thens 7th

Denny Herr 8th

Elise Klingaman 10th

Charles Scharnberger 14th

Robert Wismer 18th

Dave Harris 21st





Bruce Hampton 21st

Sherry Symonds 24th

Patricia Hess 28th

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

Helping Hands

June	7	14	21	28	
Bulletins	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	
Sunday School					
Flowers Vase 1	Gaynel & Steve Daugherty	Sherry Symonds	Barb & Jeff Sensenig	NONE	
Flowers Vase 2	Gene & Gail Miller	Mary & Cy Fritz	Sherry Symonds	NONE	
Usher 1					
Usher 2					
Usher 3					
Usher 4					
Altar Guild 1	Carol Heintzelman	Sylvia Lashley	Carol Heintzelman	Sylvia Lashley	
Altar Guild 2	Sue Ellenberg	Sandy Kreider	Jody Kunzler	Sandy Kreider	
Lector	Frank Witmer	NONE	Bruce Thens	Linda Hiney	
Lay Assistant	Lauren Buchmann	NONE	NONE	Jim Dierolf	

Bev's Bakers



June

- 7 Ria Van Aulen
- 14 Bernice Althouse
- 21 Fathers' Day Picnic
- 28



Finance, Finance, Finance

April Update:

Giving Income	\$ 28,442
Other Income	\$ 729
Directed Fund Income	\$ 0
Fund Income	\$ 835
Expenses	\$ 23,649
Surplus/deficit (month)	\$ 6,356
Surplus/deficit (year to date)	(\$ 5,966)



June Schedule At A Glance

- June 7 2nd Sunday after Pentecost
- June 14 3rd Sunday after Pentecost
- June 21 4th Sunday after Pentecost
Fathers' day picnic
VBS begins
- June 25 VBS picnic & Chris Ivey **the congregation invited**
- June 28 5th Sunday after Pentecost

Would you like something included in the newsletter, please let the office know. There is almost always room to squeeze something in or add more pages. If there is something you are curious about and believe the congregation might be interested...please let the office know...the search for content is continuous. Send an email to the office if you have read this.

Quotable Quotes

Fathers are men who give daughters away to other men who aren't nearly good enough...so they can have grandchildren who are smarter than anybody's. – Paul Harvey



It's Nice To Share

Famous (or infamous) June Birthdays

Angelina Jolie
Morgan Freeman
Marilyn Monroe
George H.W. Bush
Johnny Depp
Michael J. Fox
Natalie Portman
Tony Curtis
Paul McCartney
Tom Jones*
Andy Griffith
Dean Martin
Stan Laurel
Mel Brooks
Judy Garland
Melissa Rauch
Kathy Bates

Igor Stravinsky
Richard Strauss
Robert Schumann
Edvard Grieg
Edward Elgar
Carl Orff
George Orwell
King Henry VIII
Anne Frank
Elon Musk
Prince Phillip
Boris Johnson
Michael Vick
Joe Montana
Vince Lombardi
Lou Gehrig
Wade Boggs

*A man goes to the doctor for a check-up. The doctor returns with some test results looking a little concerned...

Doc: "I'm afraid I have some bad news."

Man: "Oh no, Doc, give it to me straight."

Doc: "Well, it seems you have Tom Jones Syndrome."

Man: "I never heard of that before, it must be rare, right?"

Doc: "It's not unusual."



Fathers' Day Picnic

Fellowship has planned a picnic on June 21st. It is guaranteed to be the event of the century...maybe... the Mothers' Day brunch set a very high bar. PLEASE get your name on the signup sheet ASAP. It is likely that the signup sheet might look exactly like this...

Sunday June 21st
FATHERS' DAY PICNIC
Sign up for side
dishes and desserts!



In Case You've Forgotten

Need a ride to or from a church event, doctor's office, rehab clinic, grocery store, state store, shooting range, pharmacy, haberdasher, probation check-in, cobbler, seamstress, crematory, dairy, milliner, Chandler, soap maker, baker, numismatist, phlebotomist, broom-squire, butcher, mortician, cord-wainer, farrier, loriner, calligrapher, poulter, personal trainer, hair stylist, Hippopotomonstrosesquippedaliophobia support group, or even the post office if you want to kill an afternoon waiting in line as the 3rd person?

Then check out the list of volunteers who have volunteered to help you get around.



- Denny Herr
- Carol Heintzelman
- Mike Althouse
- Michele Carpenter (evenings only)
- Gaynel Daugherty
- Bill Napier
- Gail Miller*

*for those who are able bodied but cannot drive in the dark. Her car is tricky to get into.

Also, this means you no longer have a valid excuse for not coming to church or an event...just saying.

How Messed Up Is That?

A new feature debuts here that focuses on the absurdity of the English language. How did we ever learn to read & write? Contronyms...a class of words with more than one definition, and those definitions practically contradict themselves!

Cleave - to split apart OR to cling tightly

Sanction - to allow OR to penalize

Dust - to add small particles OR to remove them

Weather - to wear away OR to endure

Resign - to quit OR commit to

Fast - moving quickly OR firmly secured

Screen - to show (like a movie) OR to obscure

You're Invited

SUMMER POOL EXERCISE CLASSES



Call: 717-872-2071
for more information and to register

Cost: FREE

Location: Millersville Lions Club Pool
314 N Prince Street

Dates: July 1—August 31

When: Monday & Wednesday 9:00 - 9:45 am

The Lighter Side of Swimming

Q: What detergent do swimmers use to wash their bathing suit?

A: Tide!

Q: Did you hear about the slow swimmer?

A: He could only do the crawl.

Q: What kind of exercises are best for a swimmer?

A: Pool-ups!



A Little Humour

TWO LITTLE GIRLS, ON THEIR WAY HOME FROM SUNDAY SCHOOL, WERE SOLEMNLY DISCUSSING THE LESSON. "DO YOU BELIEVE THERE IS A DEVIL?" ASKED ONE. "NO," SAID THE OTHER PROMPTLY. "IT'S LIKE SANTA CLAUS: IT'S YOUR FATHER." --

Ladies' Home Journal

June is Bustin' Out All Over

- June Birthstone: Pearl, Alexandrite, Moonstone
- June Birth Flowers: Rose and honeysuckle
- "June Is Bustin' Out All Over" is a popular song from the 1945 Rodgers and Hammerstein musical "Carousel"
- Summer Solstice: Around June 20-21, the Northern Hemisphere experiences the longest daylight hours of the year.
- Name Origin: The month is named after Juno, the Roman goddess of marriage and childbirth, which is why it is a popular month for weddings.
- "Strawberry Moon": The June full moon is often called the Strawberry Moon, signaling the time to gather wild strawberries.
- On June 30, 1908, a mysterious explosion known as the Tunguska event flattened 800 square miles of Siberian forest.
- The longest professional baseball game in history began on June 8, 1984, lasting 33 innings.
- International Asteroid Day is Celebrated on June 30th to raise awareness about asteroid impact hazards. (don't look up)
- National Dairy Month: In the US, June is designated to celebrate dairy farming and products.
- Flag Day: Celebrated in the US on June 14 to commemorate the adoption of the flag in 1777.
- Juneteenth: Celebrated on June 19, marking the end of slavery in the United States.



Summer Vacation

While there is little as refreshing and rejuvenating as a summer vacation, one



fact remains; we must all return to life at home as it continues its relentless journey toward Christmas, Easter, and next year's vacation, which you have already promised yourself will not be as stressful or exhausting as this year's vacation. So, while you were away, enjoying cooking and cleaning and a few res-

taurants far away from home, life here at St. Paul continued. Yes, you probably missed the signup sheets, bulletins, and amazing solos; you might have even missed the services and sermons. IF, however, you also missed a few offering envelopes, read on for some very important information. Let's say you were away on vacation for 2 weeks, then the kids came for a short 2 week visit, from which you needed another week to recover your sanity. That means you possibly have 5 offering envelopes staring you in the face. Relax. Take a deep breath. There is a solution that won't result in cramped hands from writing so many checks.

- ✚ Step 1, take the amount of your weekly giving and multiply by 6 (one for each missed week and one for the current week)
- ✚ Step 2, insert the single check into the envelope for this coming Sunday and lick the flap so it seals. You can even make friends with the counters and add a few pieces of tape.
- ✚ Step 3, fill in pertinent information on the envelope.
- ✚ Step 4, throw away all the previous envelopes, they are not needed.
- ✚ Step 5, bring it to church...don't forget to bring vacay pics to show everyone...even the embarrassing ones!

There is no need to put offering for multiple weeks in multiple envelopes. It doesn't matter, just use one envelope and get back to church! And, while you're away...we'll miss you.

VBS Wrap Up Picnic

As you know, every year we conclude the week of VBS with a fellowship event affectionately known as a picnic. The children



love it and look forward to it and the congregation is invited to participate. So you are ALL asked, and encouraged, to be part of this event. This is an chance to meet members of the community and welcome them to St. Paul. This is a fantastic opportunity for outreach into the community. Sit at a table with someone you don't know, talk to them, invite them back to worship with us. Please, get your names on the sign up sheet!

The word picnic originates from the 17th-century French word pique-nique. It emerged around 1649 as a fun-sounding, rhyming portmanteau combining two elements: piquer: meaning "to pick" or "peck at food" and nique: an old French term referring to something of little importance or a trifle. Just a heads up, we will not be pecking, we'll be EATING

Fellowship!

Upcoming Events:

- † June 13th Stormer's Game
- † June 19th Line Dancing with Beth
- † June 21st Fathers' Day picnic
- † June 27th Mini Golfing and lunch at Stoners Grill
- † July 18th Pontooning on the Susquehanna
- † September 6th Annual Church Picnic!



GREAT GRUB FELLOWSHIP CLUB

- † **JUNE 27TH MINI GOLF & LUNCH AT STONER'S GRILL**
- † **JULY 8TH DINNER AT OREGON DAIRY**

**OTHER GGFC EVENTS MAY BE SCHEDULED IN THE INTERIM ...
SO YOU HAVE TO CHECK THE SIGNUP SHEETS!**



**NEXT MEETING JUNE 4TH
AT 6PM
WATCH YOUR BULLETINS
FOR OTHER EXCITING
ANNOUNCEMENTS**



Planting Plants...and more

A huge shout out to all the volunteers who have agreed to help with the flower beds and planting vincas in particular.

Frank Witmer

(who has volunteered to coordinate this team)



Sandy Elliot Kreider

Karen Napier

Beth Defeo

Elise Klingaman

Bobby H (Elise's boyfriend)

Bruce Thens

Sylvia Lashley



Think about these folks when you admire the church grounds!

Speaking of Red Things

Pentecost Sunday had a smattering of red throughout the congregation...not quite a sea of red. There were even a few VERY enthusiastic (and fashion conscious) members who went **the whole 9 yards** with red shoes!



Etymology Corner

The whole nine yards; Yale University librarian Fred R. Shapiro describes that phrase as "the most prominent etymological riddle of our time". Theories include the cubic measure of a cement mixer, the length of an ammunition belt in WW2, fabric measurement, and others. One of the most likely theories is full-rigged sailing ships, in which *yard* is used not as a measure of length or size, but as the name of each horizontal spar on which a sail is hung. All square-rigged sails unfurled, with 3 yards on each of 3 masts, could then be described as the whole nine yards. But there is little to no documentation to support any of these theories.

Vacation Bible School



June 21-25

Please remember to get the kids and grandkids here for VBS. A good amount of work and planning goes into putting the event together, so please support it.

Registration: You may register online from the link on St. Paul's homepage or you may register here at the church on the first night.

As previously mentioned, please signup for the picnic so we can prepare accordingly.

Thursday night, after bible school, Chris Ivey will be juggling for us. Please come and support Chris and his ministry. There will be a free will offering.

Music Vocabulary

Take a simple, wholesome, innocent macaroni, and add a C on the end...what do you get??

MACARONIC. One might think that its definition might be "of or pertaining to a macaroni or pasta", but that, although hilarious, would be incorrect. In the realm of music, it is a song that has text in more than one language. A macaronic hymn would be "Angels We Have Heard on High", which combines English and Latin:

Angels we have heard on high
Sweetly singing o'er the plain
And the mountains in reply
Echoing their joyous strain
Gloria, in excelsis Deo!
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MY NAME IS "KRAFTY"

Remember Family Members in Your Prayers

Marilyn Homsher

Ann Nagle

Mary Ann Oren

Marion Trimble

Peggy Bruce

Patty & Barry Leed

Charles Scharnberger

Nancy Eberle

Peg Siglin

Shirley Shuffelbottom

Ruth Derby

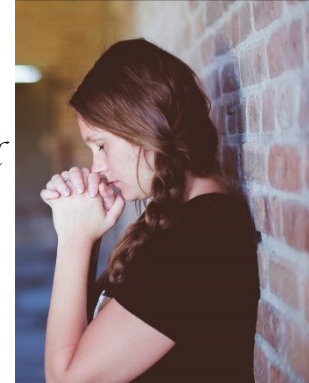
Louise & Bob Diamond

Don Harrold

Lucy Esbenshade

Ken Hoak

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



**Never underestimate the
Power
of
Prayer**

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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.**