

ST. PAUL'S WEEKLY EPISTLE

IMPORTANT NEWS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 8, 2025

DAY OF PENTECOST

An ancient Hebrew harvest festival which came to be associated with the giving of God's law at Mount Sinai, Pentecost became for Christians the occasion for the gift of the Holy Spirit to the church. The Spirit is the power of the resurrected Jesus in our midst, claiming us in baptism, feeding us at the Lord's table, and sending us into the world to be bearers of that divine word that can raise the dead to new life.

GRADUATION RECOGNITION

We would like to recognize our graduates in worship on **Sunday, June 29**. If you have someone in your family graduating from high school, college, or a trade school, please contact the church office (office@stpaulsnewarkde.org) by **Wednesday, June 25**, so that we can congratulate and pray for them as they transition to a new stage of their journey.

SUMMER CHOIR

Want to join the choir without making a year-long commitment? Want to see what it is like to offer sung prayer in worship? Then join the Summer Choir on Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM in the choir loft. Learn a simple anthem to be sung in the service that morning. Can't make it every week? Come when you can.

PASTOR CRIS ON NAVY DUTY

Pastor Cris will be in South Carolina this week doing Navy duty with the Marines and recruits at Parris Island. He is available by email and phone. Pastor Tara Magoon will be available for any in-person emergencies. Pastor Greg will be leading worship on June 15.

BREWING THEOLOGY - LOCATION CHANGE

Our hosts for the month of June have been changed to Rudy Schock and Anne Sullivan, 152 Mallory Lane, Oxford, Pennsylvania. Please join us for our next meeting on Wednesday, June 18, at 7 PM. We will be sharing our favorite bible verse. Please RSVP to rschock324@gmail.com.

PRAYER MINISTRY

St. Paul's has a prayer chain that is available for those who are in need. You can request prayer by emailing prayonstpauls@gmail.com (it's on the back cover of the bulletin every week). **Use that email also to be added to the email distribution list to see prayer requests and add your voice to our communal prayers.**

We are also in need of folks to receive prayer requests and forward them to the distribution list. Volunteers cover a day of the week and technical support will be provided. If you are interested in being part of this important ministry, please speak with Pastor Cris or Janet Mease.

BOOKS AND BANTER

St. Paul's avid readers meet the fourth Wednesday of each month at 1PM in the Youth Room. If you have a book that you would like to share with the group, please let us know. Please join us for conversation and fellowship.

June 25 "The Measure" by Nikki Erlich

"GIFTS TO SHARE" SURVEY

St. Paul's is blessed with a congregation that is "Full to the Brim" with special gifts, talents, interests and energy to support the ministries of our church. We know that there are many members and visitors that have hidden talents or are seeking information on existing opportunities.

Please take a few minutes to complete this survey to allow us to continue to be an inclusive church, which works to have all members involved in activities. You can find the survey on the St. Paul's webpage by clicking on the link "Gifts to Share" or by using the QR code to the right.



SPECIAL ADULT FORUM

Pastor Cris will be sharing about his work as a Navy Reserve Chaplain on **Sunday, June 29** after worship. Bring your questions about his ministry and hear more about what it is like to serve in the Navy "part-time."

JUNE WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

10AM Service of Holy Communion – Live Streamed

11AM Coffee Social in Fellowship Hall

Sunday, June 15

HOLY TRINITY

The Sunday after Pentecost is celebrated each year as Trinity Sunday, a day on which the church meditates on the mystery of our God, one divine unity of three distinct presences. Each way that we speak about the Trinity is inadequate. Indeed, a God we could understand wouldn't be much of a God. This Sunday we will be helped by a poem in Proverbs, a psalm, Paul, John, our prayers, several hymn writers, the text of our liturgy, a sermon, and the gift of bread and wine, as in worship we are gathered into the life of our unfathomable God.

Sunday, June 22

LECTIONARY 13

This Sunday we hear about a naked madman who would break out of his restraints and run around in a cemetery. Come to worship, to hear what happens when this man encounters Christ. Come to worship, and yourself encounter Christ.

Sunday, June 29

LECTIONARY 14

In the gospel reading for this Sunday, Jesus says once more, "Follow me." We are glad to have one another accompany us on this path. Come to worship, as together we hear this word and heed his invitation to the life of the Spirit.





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*Together in Jesus Christ we are freed by grace to
live faithfully, witness boldly, and serve joyfully.*



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Weekly Epistle/E-mail Blast

Articles due by Wednesday morning at

10 AM. Late submissions will be shared

the following week. Please send articles to

St. Paul's Online Prayer Ministry

Send prayer requests to:

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