

2025 COUNCIL MEMBERS

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President—Sheila Kahler
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 Treasurer—Patty Rimel
 Secretary—Kate Stottlemeyer

COUNCIL

Pastor Phil Beck	Kate Stottlemeyer
Sheila Kahler	Barbara Cartwright
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Marcia Gupta	Susan Hayes
Roxanne Smith	Jamie Sulima

SERVING TODAY

Minister.....	Pastor Phil Beck
Lector.....	Marie Purswell
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Ushers.....	Tom & Johanna Waters
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Flower Coordinator.....	Patty Rimel
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Property Coordinator.....	
Financial Secretary.....	Troy Keeney

Announcement regarding livestreaming of the worship services:

St. Paul's intends to continue offering online worship services to share the Gospel through Facebook and Youtube. With the inclusion of in-person attendance during the service, we need to inform you that your presence may be captured in the recording and broadcast through St. Paul's social media platforms. Your comfort and privacy are of utmost importance, if you prefer not to have your image broadcast please contact the office by phone or email or inform the usher as you arrive. The office will keep a list of those wishing NOT to appear in the recording and convey that information to the Media and Technology Ministry. From sundaysandseasons.com | Copyright © 2024 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved | License # SAS103410, Used with permission under ONE LICENSE #736745-A. All rights reserved CCLI Copyright © 2024 License 21412874, Streaming 21412867 All rights reserved



**Presentation of Our Lord
 February 2, 2025**

Installation of Council Members

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

14 West Pennsylvania Avenue, Walkersville, Maryland 21793

Worship Service—9:00 a.m.

Church Phone: 301-845-4600 E-mail: info@saintpaulslutheranchurch.org

Web Site: <http://www.saintpaulslutheranchurch.org>



Through Christ, we joyfully feed the body, mind, and spirit of all.

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***Stand as you are able**

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This is the time we QUIET our HEARTS for WORSHIP.

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Presentation of Our Lord

Installation of Council

The following people **Sheila, Lauren, Patty, Kate, Ellen, Marcia, Roxanne, Barbara, Nancy, Susan and Jamie** have been elected by the congregation to positions of leadership. We give thanks for their willingness to serve. In baptism we are welcomed into the body of Christ and sent to share in the mission of God; we rejoice now that these sisters and brothers will lead us in our common life and our mutual mission as a congregation.

A reading from First Corinthians: There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. (1 Corinthians 12:4-7)

You have been elected to positions of leadership and trust in this congregation.

You are to see that the words and deeds of this household of faith bear witness to God, who gathers us into one together with the whole church.

You are to seek to involve all members of this congregation in worship, learning, witness, service, and support, so that the mission of Christ is carried out in this congregation, in the wider church, in this community, and in the whole world.

You are to be faithful in your specific area of serving, that the Spirit who empowers you may be glorified.

You are to be examples of faith active in love, fostering peace, harmony, and mutual understanding in this congregation.

On behalf of your sisters and brothers in Christ, I ask you:
Will you accept and faithfully carry out the duties of the offices to which you have been elected?

Response: I will, and I ask God to help me.

The assembly stands. Those being installed face the assembly.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**The Year Round
Stocking Stuffer Project!**



February: Toothpaste (kids formula) and individually wrapped toothbrushes with soft bristles appropriate for ages 2-6 and 7-12 year olds.

There is a box wrapped with Christmas paper in the overflow area where you can drop off your donations each month.

You always have the option for a financial donation as well. Please see Kay for more details.

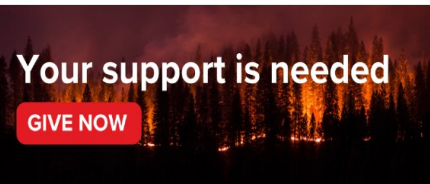
FEBRUARY



**1 MONTH CLOSER
TO CHRISTMAS**

The Red Cross and St. Paul's continue to partner in 2025 to bring a blood drive into our community. This will be our first drive of the year! **March 21st!** Please consider making your appointment today, your donation is very much needed!

See the Weekly email for the link to sign up or call the Parish Office for assistance.



Lutheran Disaster Response is coordinating with the Southwest California Synod and Pacifica Synod to assess the needs of people impacted by the wildfires. Please consider giving by using this link, <https://give.elca.org/page/email?mid=e39cba4635da47b1b7d5186b89c31372> or a special offering in the offering plate marked Wildfire Disaster Relief or by giving on line at: <https://www.saintpaulslutheranchurch.org/give/> again noted Wildfire Disaster Relief.



**Would you like to schedule a date to sponsor Altar flowers?
Please contact Patty Rimel through the Parish Office if you would like to arrange a date to offer flowers**



ANNOUNCEMENTS

*****IMPORTANT*****

For those without Facebook please tune into our YouTube channel for live streams of last week's service. Video link https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a9_d7QPhRJQ, January 26, 2025

Please look for future notices regarding live streaming and YouTube videos at

St. Paul's Official YouTube channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSP6I9JEggsBUXlow1I7_-Q



Now through February 9th, bring in soup cans for the food bank.

Can we beat our score of 75 cans from last year?

YOU ARE HEREBY CHALLENGED!!



The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Joan on our wedding anniversary by Ed Chaney



ALL ARE WELCOME
Bring Family and Friends
Tuesday, Feb. 4th & Saturday, Feb. 15th
5:00PM to 7:00PM
Woodsboro Evangelical
Lutheran Church
101 S Main St., Woodsboro, MD 21798
Ask Roxanne for more details!



Donations for *Glade Valley Food Bank* are always accepted!

UPDATED ITEMS OF NEED ARE:

Cereal, Hamburger Helper, Macaroni and Cheese, Canned Fruit and Peanut butter

Please bring them to the donation bin on the side of Town Hall, or you can put them in the basket by the side door and we will get them to the food bank for you!



Please join us for Friday Evening Bingo!
FOOD* PRIZES * FELLOWSHIP
February 21st, Parish Hall
5:30pm-8:00pm

People of God, I ask you:

Will you support these, your elected leaders, and will you share in the mutual ministry that Christ has given to all who are baptized?

We will, and we ask God to help us.

Those being installed face the presiding minister, who addresses them.

I now declare you installed as officers / council members of this congregation.

Almighty God bless you, and direct your days and your deeds in peace, that you may be faithful servants of Christ.

Amen.

***CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who makes all things new, whose mercy endures forever.

C: **Amen.**

P: Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Holy One, source of our renewal,

C: **we confess that we are wrapped up in sin, and cannot free ourselves. We have not practiced your righteousness. Our hearts have turned away from you. For the sake of the world you so love, forgive us, that we may be reconciled to one another for the glory of your holy name.**

Amen.

P: Thus says our God: "The former things have come to pass and new things I now declare." God's mercy makes us new. We are forgiven in the name of † Christ our Savior.

C: **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN.....**God of Grace and God of Glory**.....ELW 705
V. 1-4 Text: Harry E. Fosdick, 1878-1969

***GREETING**

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

***KYRIE (p. 147)**

***PRAYER OF THE DAY:**

P: Almighty and ever-living God, your only-begotten Son was presented this day in the temple. May we be presented to you with clean and pure hearts by the same Jesus Christ, our great high priest, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Anthem.....Praise by Joseph M. Martin.....Choir

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FIRST READING: Malachi 3:1-4

P: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 84

<p>¹ How dear to me is your dwelling, O LORD of hosts!</p> <p>² My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.</p> <p>³ Even the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young, by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts, my king and my God.</p> <p>⁴ Happy are they who dwell in your house! They will always be praising you.</p> <p>⁵ Happy are the people whose strength is in you, whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.</p> <p>⁶ Those who go through the balsam valley will find it a place of springs, for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.</p>	<p>⁷ They will climb from height to height, and the God of gods will be seen in Zion.</p> <p>⁸ LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; give ear, O God of Jacob.</p> <p>⁹ Behold our defender, O God; and look upon the face of your anointed.</p> <p>¹⁰ For one day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. I would rather stand at the threshold of the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.</p> <p>¹¹ For the LORD God is both sun and shield, bestowing grace and glory; no good thing will the LORD withhold from those who walk with integrity.</p> <p>¹² O LORD of hosts, happy are they who put their trust in you!</p>
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SECOND READING: Hebrews 2:14-18

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (p. 151)**

OFFERINGS

We are so blessed and grateful for your continued offerings during these unprecedented times. It is only with your support we can maintain the everyday activities of the church and our work in the community. Please consider mailing your offering to the church or if you have access to the website, there is an online giving option as well.

<https://www.saintpaulslutheranchurch.org/give/>

This Week at St Paul's

Sunday, February 2nd

Worship (Livestream) 9:00am

Presentation of Our Lord

Installation of New Council

Ministry Sunday

Faith Formation 10:00am

Cub Scout Committee Mtg 7:00pm

Monday, February 3rd

FEC 8am-5pm

Cub Scouts 7:00pm

Tuesday, February 4th

FHS 10am-3pm

Community Dinner 5:00pm

Executive Council 7:00pm

Wednesday, February 5th

FEC 8am-5pm

Confirmation 7:00pm

Thursday, February 6th

Frederick Children's Choir 9:30am

FHS 10am-3pm

Cub Scouts Parish Hall 5:30pm

Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm

Sunday, February 9th

Worship (Livestream) 9:00am

Supper Bowl Sunday

Faith Formation 0:00am

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS:

Current Fund Weekly Need: \$3,110.00

Property Renovation Loan Fund Need: \$350.00

Electronic/Mail-ins Income

January 19, 2025

Weekly Contributions: \$ 873.81

Property Loan Fund: \$ 130.00

Total: \$1,003.81

In Worship Offerings

Weekly Contributions: \$ 985.00

Property Loan Fund: \$ 250.00

Total: \$1,235.00

ATTENDANCE:

January 26, 2025

In person: 52

Virtual: 15



PRAYER LIST

Joe Collins, *Cousin of Joann Valainis*
 Mark Holloway, *Husband of Kate Stottlemeyer*
 Roger Stottlemeyer, *Uncle of Kate Stottlemeyer*
 Sue Snyder, *Member*
Gary Wachter, *Member*
 Bert Fiske, *Friend of Sue Snyder and Lin Snider*
Joseph Matthew Moschella, *Friend of the Plowmans*
 Tom Waters, *Member*
 Billy Welty, *Friend of Betsy Galliher*
 Sandy Eyler, *Cousin of Kate Stottlemeyer*
 Keith Harris, *friend of the Plowman Family*
 Victoria Hessler, *Family friend of Marcia & Emily Gupta*
 Jack Lotwick, *Friend of Robb and Dianne Port*
 Bob Schmidt, *Brother of Dottie Titmas*
 Jacob Dietzel, *Grandson of Merle Anderson and Son of Heather Anderson*
 Family of Florence Schell, *Member*
Family of Ken Martz, *member*
Leanne Olive, *Friend of Sue Snyder*
Will Fluman, *friend of Candace Foucart*

**PRAYERS
 FOR OUR MILITARY
 AND THEIR FAMILIES**

†Admiral Lisa Franchetti, U.S. Navy,
 niece to Linwood Snider
 †Zachary Williams, U.S. Airforce,
 grandson of Jim & Dottie Titmas
 †U.S. Navy Corpsman Matthew Kasik,
 grandson of Sam Purswell
 †Dan Beck, Captain., U.S. Army, son of
 Pastor Phil & Susan Beck
 †Carlin Rabie, U.S. Navy, Son-in-law of
 Marcia & Raj Gupta
 †Eric Fong Sam, U.S. Army, friend of
 Mary Ann Ferguson
 †Leo Tanja, U.S. Airforce, nephew of
 Mary Ann Ferguson’s sister in
 law

*Do you or someone you know
 have need for prayer?
 If so, please know that we have a prayer
 team at St. Paul’s that is ready to help.
 Simply contact Merle Anderson at
 301-845-2317.
 All requests are confidential.*

****Please remember all the names on our
 prayer list, and especially those that are bold.
 They have specific current need for Christian
 love and support.**

GOSPEL: Luke 2:22-40

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the second chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The gospel of our Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon.....Pastor Phil Beck

Silence for Reflection

*HYMN OF THE DAY.....**O Word of God Incarnate**ELW 514
 V.1-3 Text: William W. How, 1823-1897, alt.

P: We affirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

C: **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,* who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

P: ... God of grace, **C:** **Hear our prayer.**

***The Peace**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.
C: **And also with you.**

OFFERING Please place your gift in the offering plate, mail to the church office or consider online giving.

***OFFERTORY HYMN LET THE VINEYARDS BE FRUITFUL (ELW 184)**

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

P: Let us pray.
God of abundance, we bring before you the precious fruits of your creation, and with them our very lives. Teach us patience and hope as we care for all those in need until the coming of your Son, our Savior and Lord.
C: **Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING, MEAL (sung, p. 152)

P: The Lord be with you.
C: **And also with you.**
P: Lift up your hearts.
C: **We lift them to the Lord.**
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

***THE PREFACE:**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You comforted your people with the promise of the Redeemer, through whom you will also make all things new in the day when he comes to judge the world in righteousness. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (p. 153)

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

5 C: **Amen.**

***THE LORD’S PRAYER:**

P: Gathered into One with the Holy Spirit, we now pray as Jesus taught...
C: **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

HOLY COMMUNION:

P: Taste and see that the Lord is good.

COMMUNION HYMN (P.154)

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P: May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
C: **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P: Let us pray,
God for whom we wait, in this meal you give us a foretaste of that day when the hungry will be fed with good things. Send us forth to make known your deeds and to proclaim the greatness of your name, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
C: **Amen.**

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord’s face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.
Amen.

***SENDING HYMN.....Joyful, Joyful We Adore YouELW 836**
V. 1,-3
Text: Henry van Dyke, 1852-1922

***DISMISSAL**

**GO IN PEACE, CHRIST IS WITH YOU.
THANKS BE TO GOD.**