Worship Schedule

Sunday

9:00 & 10:30 am: Holy Communion
First Sunday of month: Family Worship at 9:00 am
(service designed with children in mind);
Remaining Sundays: 9:00 am service concurrent with Sunday School

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2016 Annual Meeting

Sunday, February 12
Following worship at 9:30 am
(one service only on 2/12)

Sunday school will be held at 9:30 am

The meeting will be held in the Sanctuary.

A congregation luncheon will follow in Fellowship Hall.
All members are encouraged to attend the meeting and the luncheon.

2017 Congregation Council Nominees

The following individuals have been nominated to serve three-year terms on Saint Paul’s Congregation Council. The election of nominees will take place at the Annual Meeting on Sunday, February 12.

Carolyn Ashburn
Emily Hampson
David Wilson
Stephenie Yeung
Claudia Muller (one year completing Laura Bickert Ciarlello's term)

The Chimes, the newsletter of Saint Paul’s Evangelical Lutheran Church, is published for the inspiration, education and entertainment of its members and friends. Comments and suggestions are welcome. Just mail, e-mail or deliver them to the church office.

The next issue of The Chimes will be published on Tuesday, February 28. Your articles are due in the office no later than Tuesday, February 21.
Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In the past two years that I have been blessed to be your pastor, I have been delighted to experience God at work in both expected and surprising ways. I could not imagine a better time to arrive at St. Paul’s than the beginning of the 250th celebration. I was able not only to learn the history of the congregation, but also to be part of dreaming and envisioning the future.

I am humbled and overjoyed to have been called once again to serve with all of you in this place. I want to take a moment to say, “Thank you.” Thank you for being open to a first-call pastor. Thank you for your willingness to take chances. Thank you for support, encouragement, and love.

I am most happy to be remaining at St. Paul’s, because it means our ministry together will continue. Together must be stressed. A pastor does not make a congregation what it is; rather, a congregation and pastor find their mission and calling together. What makes St. Paul’s such an exciting place to be doing ministry is each and every one of you.

Your care for one another, for this church, and for the whole world that God has made is inspiring, and a bright and encouraging sign for our future.

Whenever I set out on a new tack, what has come to be known as the “Holden Prayer” comes to mind. From Holden Village, an intentional Lutheran community, it reads:

O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

At the start of a new journey together, it is important to remember that, although none of us knows what the future holds, we do know who holds us. May God’s Spirit continue to blow through St. Paul’s, and lead us into the future together. Amen.

In Christ,

Pastor Laura
Prayers

Please pray for our men and women in the armed services, especially Mark Allen (son of Carol Henry); Michael Burns, Army Reserves (son of Linda & Bob Burns); Sean Hopkins (son of Terry Hopkins); Justin Kolb (son of Melanie Kolb, grandson of Bill & Pat Miles) and Brandon Mader (grandson of Wendy Black).

Prayers are also requested for: Dick Ameisen (friend of the Burns’); Miranda Bagnet (friend of Beth McElvenney); Amy Carafa (daughter of Judi DellaBadia); Nathaniel Chletsos (friend of Amanda & Andrew Vickrey); Charlotte Conybear; Daniel Dry, Sr. (father of Dan Dry); Steve Engh (father of Anita Engh); Aubrey Fells (friend of Christa Scheidly); Bob Geyer (brother of Barb Keyser); Gean Hunter (friend of Hazel Pelletreau); Eustacia Jacob (friend of Dottie Buchanan); Barbara Johnson (wife of Jack Johnson); Johanna Karén (granddaughter of Dorothy Linderman); Gregg Martin (brother of Linda Martin); Helen Moschella (mother of Lisa Tintera); Eric Muller (brother of Mark Muller); Kim O’Rourke (friend of Missy Perry); Leah Peart (mother of Waneta Peart); Kathleen Pierce (mother of Mark Pierce); Walter Proschinger (brother of Christa Scheidly); Delores Stevenson (mother of Debbie Moran); Diane Wille Wenckebach (daughter of June Wille); Mary Ann Whalen (friend of Missy Perry); George Zucker (husband of Judi Zucker); Marty (friend of Debbie Keyser) and Maya (friend of Debbie Keyser).

Change of Address

Fred & Colleen Schramm
2725 Stoney Creek Road
Broomall, PA 19008

Death

Arlene Bjorke, former member of St. Paul’s, died on January 19, 2017. We pray for her husband Nord and family and thank God for her life and the promise of the Resurrection.
FEBRUARY TUESDAY NOON

RECITALS:

Abington Presbyterian Church
1082 Old York Road
Abington, PA 19001

The American Guild of Organists hosts weekly recitals as a gift to the public from the members of the Philadelphia Chapter. They are open to the public and are 30 minutes in length beginning at noon every Tuesday.

Families with Young Children
Indoor Game Night
Sunday, February 12
5:00-7:00 pm

Congregation Luncheon
Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to help with set-up, cooking and clean-up for the congregation luncheon that follows the annual meeting.

Specifically we are looking for helpers on Saturday, Feb. 11 and on Sunday, Feb. 12 before and after the luncheon. Please contact Stephenie Yeung at 267-974-1183 or (syeung850@gmail.com) and be a part of this annual time of fellowship!
Ash Wednesday
March 1

Holy Communion & Imposition of Ashes
12:00 noon & 7:00 pm

Please join us.

WANTED: To Go Containers

Please wash and save your DURABLE plastic take out containers for the Life Center. They will be repurposed to provide an extra dinner for those who are cold and hungry. Drop them off in the office or kitchen. Thanks so much.

Lisa Lexa
baldwin2020@gmail.com
St. Paul’s Women’s Retreat  
Friday-Saturday, March 3-4, 2017

Location: Franciscan Spiritual Center, Aston, PA

Schedule: The retreat runs from 6pm on Friday through Saturday at 3pm.

Leaders: Sylvia Havlish and The Rev. Dr. Jennifer Ollikainen

Topic: The Invitational Life

Do you wish there were more joy, pleasure, satisfaction in your days? Do you find yourself wishing that “someone” would come along and fix this situation?? Here’s the good news: When you learn to use “invitational theory” to discover a new way of life, you realize that God has provided all the resources you need to begin a new, happier life are already inside you. Come to our retreat and learn to “make your life the most inviting one ever!”

Cost: $80, scholarships available

Please note that the fee includes overnight accommodations, breakfast, lunch, meeting space rental and the retreat leader’s expenses and honorarium.

Registration and information: Please register to attend by Sunday, February 19. Payments are due by Sunday, February 26. To register or for more information, please email dianep@design.upenn.edu or carisa@stpaulsardmore.org.

Sylvia Havlish is the owner and founder of INSIDE OUT COUNSELING AND SEMINARS in Alburtis, Pennsylvania. Her business is a new concept in personal growth and potential serving both individuals and small groups. The center is dedicated to providing a preventative approach to human problems.
In addition to her private practice in counseling, Sylvia has developed and presented many workshops and seminars to schools, private businesses, churches, and organizations. Her counseling specialty is bereavement counseling and support. Sylvia started her professional career as a counselor at Emmaus High School and worked with Penn State University as an adjunct instructor in bereavement support and invitational education. She presently serves as the Coordinator for Bereavement Ministries with Lutheran Congregational Services.

The Rev. Dr. Jennifer Phelps Ollikainen served as vicar of St. Paul’s Lutheran Church in Ardmore (1999-2000), Associate Pastor of St. Matthew Lutheran Church in Springfield (2002-2007) and Associate for Worship Resources at the national church-wide office of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (2007-2010). She is currently called as Executive Director of Lutheran Congregational Services, an affiliate of Liberty Lutheran Services which is a social ministry organization that serves people in need throughout the southeastern Pennsylvania area. She holds a Master of Divinity, Master of Sacred Theology in New Testament, and a Doctor of Ministry in worship renewal from the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia.

**Wednesday Evenings in Lent**

*Soup & Bread Supper at 6:00 pm, Fellowship Hall*
*Worship at 7:00 pm, Sanctuary*

*The schedule of Lenten preachers will appear in the March Chimes*
A New Thing!

“I am about to do a new thing,” says the Lord in Isaiah 43:19. The Worship and Music Committee is also doing a new thing. Instead of the talent show, our fundraiser for the Music Fund this year will be a cook-off, featuring dishes from all cooks in the congregation who wish to participate.

Date: Sunday, May 20
Deadline to register as a cook: Sunday, March 19

Categories of food:

- Appetizers
- Main dishes
- Salads and other sides
- Desserts

All volunteer cooks will be randomly assigned to one of the four categories!

Tickets will be sold and all who attend will get to sample some of everything (caveat: don’t eat dinner before you come!) and then vote on the best dish in each category.

The silent auction will be held as usual.

Mark your calendars and remember the advice of the teacher in Ecclesiastes 8:15, who said “…there is nothing better for people under the sun than to eat, and drink, and enjoy themselves…”
Oscar Brown Memorial

The article below appeared in the Philadelphia Inquirer on July 26, 1933.

A black granite memorial bench will be installed in the cemetery in memory of Oscar Brown.

**Donations can be made to St. Paul’s Cemetery in memory of Oscar Brown.**

Oscar Brown, 42 of Wynnewood, a grave-digger. Brown was at work in the burial yard of St. Paul’s Lutheran Church, Ardmore, when a bolt struck him and he plunged forward into the partially completed crypt. His body was found by Peggy Dunn and Emma Wolf, of Sutton Road who were out walking their dogs after the storm and saw the rain-drenched body lying face downward on the new-turned earth by the graveside. They notified Lower Merion police. Brown is survived by his wife, Rosa and two daughters, Lillian and Mrs. Eva Murray.
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FEBRUARY Birthdays

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2. Daniel Dry, Jr.
3. Deborah Keyser, Connor Perry, Ginette Wendelken
4. Andrea Dormans-Halloran, Donald Reimer
5. Thomas Freestone, Jennifer Reimer
6. Colleen Schramm
7. Rolf Johnson, Benjamin Lucas
8. Susan Janasik, David Williams
9. Laura Bickert Ciarlello
10. Charlotte Conybear, Sean Hopkins
11. Dorothy Buchanan, Marja Nevalainen
12. Tyler Kunsaa, Lisa Nagle
13. Eleanor Nagle, Hannah Nagle
14. Grant Gale, Elizabeth Krissinger
15. Jennifer Curtis, George Koerner
16. Lee Sullivan Berry, Pam Carroll, Anders Lauersen, Sarah Scherzer, Adam Trombello
17. Lillian Aleardi, Colin Marshall, Arianna Martino, Devany Penne
18. John Byrne, John Denman, Sharon Robinson
19. Sara Dimitri, Bonnie Legreid, Paul Trombello
20. Elizabeth Lash
21. Nan Dormans
22. Paul Schimpff
23. Joanne Cooper, Mariana Curtin
24. Melissa Gale
25. Michele Allman, Sarah DeLar, Charlotte Memmel, Rebecca Memmel
26. Ronan Badovick, Lauren Baxter, Kristen June, Derek Lauffer, Ariel Shaw

Gifts of Flowers for the Altar
Consider becoming a weekly or monthly sponsor of altar flowers for Sunday morning worship. The cost of the flowers is $35 per week. A sign-up chart for sponsoring altar flowers is available in Fellowship Hall, or you may call Dottie Buchanan at 484-420-4969. The dedication(s) for your flowers will be published in the appropriate Sunday bulletin(s).
American Red Cross
March is Red Cross Month
Be part of an elite group of volunteers! Give blood.

Blood Drive
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Fellowship Hall
415 E. Athens Avenue
Ardmore, PA 19003
Monday, March 6, 2017
1:00 PM to 6:00 PM

To make an appointment, please contact Elisabeth Wagner at 610-209-9154 or elisabeth.arianna@gmail.com
April 2, 2017
4:00 pm

Duruflé Requiem
Mozart Vespers

Choirs from Ardmore Presbyterian Church, Overbrook Presbyterian Church and St. Paul’s Lutheran Church with Orchestra

At Ardmore Presbyterian Church
5 West Montgomery Ave, Ardmore
offering received
Saint Paul’s Evangelical Lutheran Church
415 East Athens Avenue
Ardmore, Pennsylvania 19003-3197

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Time Dated Material