

# *The Chimes*

*April 2019*



## *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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# Holy Week Schedule

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*Palm Sunday, April 14*  
*9:00 am and 10:45 am*  
*Holy Communion*

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*Maundy Thursday, April 18*  
*7:00 pm*  
*Holy Communion*

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*Good Friday, April 19*  
*7:00 pm*  
*Good Friday Liturgy*

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*Easter Sunday, April 21*  
*9:00 and 10:45 am*  
*Holy Communion*  
  
*Reception between services*

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**Chimes publication  
information**

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, April 30.  
Your articles are due in the office no later than Tuesday, April 23.

# Pastor's Letter



Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Have you ever stopped to think, when you turned on the tap in your kitchen or bathroom, what a privilege it is to have clean, drinkable water with just the twist of a hand? Water is essential for all of life, whether it's for drinking, cooking with, cleaning, or growing other food. It has also become so convenient for most of us that it is easy to forget how important it is.

Around the world, many do not have easy access to clean water. Globally, 1.8 billion people—about one out of every four—drink from contaminated water sources. Unsafe water leads to illnesses that claim the lives of 840,000 people each year, almost half of whom are children under the age of 5. Women and children spend hours each day collecting water, which keeps them from school, work, and time with family. In eastern Uganda, an average family spends 660 hours a year collecting water. That's two full months of work!

Access to clean water makes a huge difference in people's lives. One place we don't see water taken for granted is in the Bible. Perhaps that's because the Bible's original audience were people who lived in an arid, desert climate. They knew that water was precious, and over and over again water is used to symbolize God's love and mercy to the people. "Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters," declares the prophet Isaiah, inviting the returning exiles to come and partake of God's goodness. "Let justice roll down like waters, righteousness like an ever-flowing stream," God speaks through the prophet Amos. God's righteousness is like an *ever-flowing* stream. What wonderful news to the people used to digging deep wells for water or hoping for a full ravine.

The season of Lent was traditionally a time of preparation for baptism, when Christians receive the gift of being washed in God's waters, of being reborn and claimed as children of God. Even though we are not preparing for our own baptisms this Lent, we can use this time as one of baptismal renewal—returning to the waters to remember that we are God's and we are loved.

One of the gifts we receive in baptism is a calling and purpose from God. In the words of our current rite, we are called to "proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace." I invite you this Lent to join St. Paul's in Helping People Drop by Drop. Together we are raising money for Lutheran World Relief's water programs.

Our goal is to raise enough for one of the following projects: \$500 provides a water harvesting pit for  $\frac{1}{4}$  acre field, along with resources and training for farmers. \$600 provides a family water system, that keeps families safe from waterborne diseases and saves women and children the long, often dangerous trips to fetch water.

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May God's love be an ever-flowing stream in our lives, and may that love flow over into the lives of all we encounter.

In Christ,

*Laura Tamered*  
Pastor Laura



St. Paul's will be helping people drop by drop during Lent. Look for the water jug in Fellowship Hall to donate.

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## Prayers

**Please pray for our men and women in the armed services**, especially Shane Boston, Army ROTC, Michael Burns, Army Reserves (son of Linda and Bob Burns); Sean Hopkins (son of Terry Hopkins) and Justin Kolb (son of Melanie Kolb, grandson of Bill & Pat Miles).

**Prayers are also requested for:** Miranda Bagnet (friend of Beth McElvenney); Horst Bierschwale (uncle of Claudia Muller); Erika Bierschwale, Robin Billings (friend of Missy Perry); JT Burns (cousin of Bob Burns); Charlotte Conybear; Larry Dieter (son of Larry & Barb Dieter); Steve Engh (father of Anita Engh); Jo Fenstermacher (cousin of Bob Burns); Barbara Flom (daughter of Eleanore Flom); Gunda Grabowski (aunt of Mark Muller); Nan Gustafson (sister of Barbara Keyser); Christina Helms (daughter in law of Hazel Pelletreau); Johanna Karén (granddaughter of Dorothy Linderman); Peggy Keyser (sister-in-law of Tom and Barb Keyser); Tom Keyser, John Krauss (friend of Bob Burns); Derek Lauffer (son of Gail Feustel); Teddy & John Markloff (friends of Penny Perry); Kathleen & Dominick Martini (friends of Laurie DeWarf); Barbara Meindl (friend of Hazel Pelletreau); Helen Moschella (mother of Lisa Tintera); Eric Muller (brother of Mark Muller); Kim O'Rourke (friend of Missy Perry); Bob Perry, Walter Proschinger (brother of Christa Scheidly); Claire Robinson (wife of Ted Robinson); Bob Rogers (brother of Lynda McNab); Norma Sands (sister of Bonnie Legreid); Greg Sciubba (neighbor of Hazel Pelletreau); Jack Walburn (father of Megan Ruehr); June Wille, Margaret Yalenty (mother of Linda Stanton); Stefanie Zissel (cousin of Claudia Muller); George Zucker (husband of Judi Zucker); Alyson (cousin of Jane Downing); Jessica (friend of Liz Cassidy); Steve (friend of Barbara Parman); Don, Kim and Fin Parker and Millie Parker.

## Midweek Lenten Series



6:00 pm Soup Supper  
7:00 pm Worship

Our preaching schedule will be:

April 3: The Rev. Dr. Kris Peterson, Interim Pastor,  
St. Timothy's, Aston

April 10: The Rev. Dr. James Pollard, Zion Baptist

### *Soup & Bread Suppers in Lent*

Soup and bread suppers are being planned for Wednesdays during Lent. If you would like to bring soup for about 10 people, or a loaf of bread, on any of the following dates, please sign up on the chart in the Fellowship Hall.

**Lenten suppers will begin at 6 pm followed  
by worship at 7 pm.**

**April 3      April 10**

**If you are preparing soup, please provide a list of ingredients  
to assist those with allergies.**



## **IHN – Interfaith Hospitality Network**

On **Tuesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>** members of St. Paul's will provide dinner at St. Mary's in Ardmore for the parents and children in the IHN program.

As of now, there are three families. 3 moms, and 5 children (ages 3 months – 10 years old), one of whom would do well with a shadow for the evening. This would be a good opportunity to introduce your children to a service activity right here in Ardmore.

**If you'd like to help with hosting or dinner, we'd love to have your assistance. Many hands make light work.**

6:00 – 6:15 We need people to bring dinner (beverages, salad, dessert, side and main dish)

6:15 – 8:30 Hosting (just a responsible adult to be there till the overnight person comes in)

**Contact Beth McElvenney**

(610-853-2444) for more info or to be put on the sign-up email list.

If you can't make it this month, mark your calendar for these future dates:

Aug. 21, Oct. 30 and Dec. 4

# Combined Choirs to Present Felix Mendelssohn's "Elijah" on Sunday, April 7



**On Sunday, April 7, at 4:00 pm**, the combined choirs of Ardmore Presbyterian Church, Overbrook Presbyterian Church and St. Paul's Lutheran Church will present a performance of Felix Mendelssohn's *Elijah* in St. Paul's sanctuary. The performance will be conducted by Gary Garletts of Ardmore Presbyterian Church, and feature soloists from the three congregations. It will be accompanied by an orchestra.

*Elijah* is considered a masterwork ever since its English premiere in 1846. It was composed following an 1845 commission by the Birmingham choral society. Mendelssohn originally wrote the text in German, his native language. Even though he was fluent in English, he asked an English friend, William Bartholomew, to prepare the English translation. The work was an immediate success, even though the chorus had little time in preparation [the final chorus, "Lord, Our Creator" arrived a mere nine days before the premiere].

*Elijah* would be Mendelssohn's last major work. He died on November 4, 1847, at the age of 38, having suffered a series of strokes after the early death of his beloved sister Fanny Mendelssohn Hensel earlier in 1847.

*Elijah* stands as the last of the great biblical oratorios in the Handel tradition. It is a sweeping work with surprising dramatic touches, such as the "Baal" choruses, tender empathy in the Widow's scene, and masterful choruses such as "He, Watching Over Israel."

Please join us for this exciting program on April 7.

# **St. Paul's Community Garden Planting dates**

Friday, April 5 10:00 am  
garden expansion:  
building more garden boxes

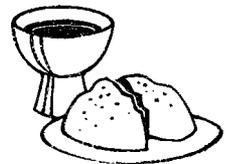
Saturday, April 20 10:00 am  
Saturday, May 25 12:00 pm

All volunteers are welcome to be a part of St. Paul's Community garden. Mark your calendars and join us!

Last year our community garden produced 768 pounds of vegetables which we harvested and donated to the Ardmore Food Pantry on a weekly basis.

## **Attention Parents of Second Graders**

**First Holy Communion class will be held on Sunday, April 14 from 12:00 to 1:30 pm for second graders and at least one parent per student.**  
Lunch is included.



The second graders will receive their first Holy Communion on Sunday, May 5 at the 10:30 am service. Please contact the church office if you have any questions (610-642-3211).



# Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

Families with Young Children will gather

**Saturday, April 13, 2019**

9:30 - 11:30 am in Fellowship Hall

Annual breakfast, Easter egg hunt and a picture with  
the Easter Bunny!

Bring a basket from home for all your goodies!

Families, please bring the following items:

|       |                  |
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| A - J | Fruit or veggies |
| K-Z   | yogurt           |

Please register with the church office by

**Wednesday, April 10**

(call 610-642-3211 or send an e-mail to

[carisa@stpaulsardmore.org](mailto:carisa@stpaulsardmore.org)).

**Family and friends are welcome.**

A free-will offering will be collected.

# 2019 St. Paul's Women's Retreat

*By Diane Pringle*

Thirty-two women, including members of Saint Paul's, daughters, and friends attended this year's women's retreat on Friday evening and Saturday, March 15 and 16 at the Franciscan Spiritual Center in Aston, PA. St. Paul's Women's Retreats were initiated by former pastor Julie DeWerth in 1998 so this is our 20th retreat. We welcomed six new participants this year: Lynda McNab, Susan Cavanaugh, Marianne Charlton, Amanda Fox, Gwen Lieb, and Evelyn Reider!



**2019 attendees:** *Front row seated l-r:* Carol Hammarberg, Barb Parman, Amanda Fox, Evelyn Reider, Judi DellaBadia, Barb Keyser, Runa Kennedy, Lynda McNab, Christine Faust. *Middle row l-r:* Diane Pringle, Boofie Younkin, Beth McElvenney, Laurie DeWarf, Lisa Lexa, Gwen Lieb, Linda Stanton, Sarah Curtin, Linda Burns, Mary Lynn Kennedy, Libby Anderson, Barb Curtin, Liz Cassidy. *Back row l-r:* Marianne Charlton, Gail Ruehr, Claudia Muller, Nan Dormans, Susan Cavanaugh, Pastor Laura Tancredi, Pastor Lydia Posselt, Anita Engh, Jane Knappe, Belle Miller.



# Welcome New Members!



Steve and Joan Talley



Stephen and Kenya Kistler  
(Brian)



Melissa Kaufman  
(Harry & Daniel)



Amanda Fox  
Earl Fox (not pictured)

## Meet Our Nursery Caregivers

**Runa Kennedy** grew up in Media. She is 19, and currently enrolled in an early education and special education dual major at Cabrini University in Radnor. Runa was a camp counselor for preschool at the School in Rose Valley from 2014-2018 and was volunteering in the nursery for even longer. Runa volunteered as a preschool teacher with the Little Lions program at Penncrest High School for her junior year and is currently working for Values into Action helping adults with mental disabilities in their everyday lives.



Runa has a 13-year-old brother. She is comfortable taking care of children of all ages and those who also have disabilities. She is CPR certified and first aid certified and keeps up with these certifications for her job at Values into Action.



**Ally Ross** was raised in Drexel Hill and lives in Havertown. She is 19, a pre-nursing student at Delaware County Community College. From 2016-2017 Ally was an assistant teacher at Sonshine Christian Academy. Ally has a 7-year-old brother and a 13-year-old sister. She is comfortable taking care of babies and older children. She is CPR-certified and has all required clearances.

## April Birthdays



- 1 Julia Carstens, Madison DeLar, Sandy Farina, Justin Kolb
- 2 Merissa D'Antonio, Bill Marlin
- 4 Barbara Henderson, Michael Sack
- 5 James Denman
- 6 Dakota Bramble, Jane Downing
- 8 Roman Ciarllo, Oakley Riggs
- 9 Kathryn Dormans
- 10 Bennett Cooper, Dan Kunsu
- 12 Sara Denman
- 13 Elena Isenberg
- 14 Eryn Cronin, Maxwell Koerner, Herbert Wendelken
- 16 Steven DeWarf, Grace Weldon
- 17 Emily Curtin
- 18 Melissa Kaufman, Stephanie Schommer
- 19 Evelyn Reider
- 22 Diane Pringle
- 23 Katelyn Lieb
- 24 Sonya Jacobsen
- 25 Kimberly Dieter, Todd Hart
- 28 Paul Denman
- 29 Amy Horn, Dylan McGuire

If your name is missing from the birthday list, please call  
the church office 610-642-3211 or email  
[carisa@stpaulsardmore.org](mailto:carisa@stpaulsardmore.org)

### **Help keep our records current**

Have you changed your email address? Moved? Have a new  
telephone number? Please share updates with the church office by  
calling 610-642-3211 or email [carisa@stpaulsardmore.org](mailto:carisa@stpaulsardmore.org)

# Easter Decorations & Music

I/We would like to share in decorating Saint Paul's for Easter, as indicated below:

In loving memory of \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) of donor(s): \_\_\_\_\_

|                                                |                     |
|------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| _____ Potted Easter lilies @ \$12.50 per plant | = \$ _____ enclosed |
| Contribution toward decorations                | = \$ _____ enclosed |
| <b>Total</b>                                   | = \$ _____ enclosed |



I/We would like to sponsor a musician for the Easter services:

In loving memory of \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) of donor(s): \_\_\_\_\_

|                                           |                     |
|-------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| _____ Brass instrumentalist(s) @ \$250.00 | = \$ _____ enclosed |
| Entire brass ensemble @ \$1000.00         | = \$ _____ enclosed |
| Donation in any amount                    | = \$ _____ enclosed |

Any funds received in excess of the actual cost of the brass ensemble will be used to support the music program at Saint Paul's. Names of all contributors will appear in the Easter bulletin.

The church office must receive your completed form and check payable to *St. Paul's Lutheran Church* **no later than Friday, April 12**, in order to include your information in the bulletin.

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Time Dated Material