

SAINT PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
 Fleetwood, Pennsylvania
 All Saints Sunday
 Holy Communion
 November 5, 2017

GATHERING PRAYER

Almighty God, by the power of your Holy Spirit open our eyes, ears, hearts and our very lives to your presence this day. As we worship you this day, may our lives be a healing remembrance of your love to all the lives of those we touch. Amen

INTROIT

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *"For All the Saints"* No. 299

PASSING THE PEACE

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us share signs of Christ's peace with one another.

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

CENTERING

PRELUDE (8:55) *"The Righteous Live Forever"* Franklin Ritter
 (10:25) *"A Veterans Day Salute"* Merrill Schaeffer
 (Congregation standing)

Pastor: We gather in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

ALL: **(Singing) Amen!**

Pastor: We gather this morning to celebrate the lives of persons we name as saints.

People: **They have completed their physical lives here on earth. They are our mothers and fathers, our sons and daughters, our brothers and sisters, our family and friends.**

Pastor: All have shaped our being—all have been examples of lives of wholeness, demonstrating what it means to be a child of God.

ALL: **We celebrate these persons and their lives in all aspects of God's creation.**

(Congregation seated)

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

SERMON TEXT Matthew 5:1-12 NT pg. 4

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted". Mt. 5.4

*All(singing): Glory to the Creator, the Christ, the Holy Spirit, Three in One.
 As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be world without end.
 Amen*

(Congregation Stands)

Choral Response: *Father, we love You, we worship and adore You;
 Glorify Thy name in all the earth.
 Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name,
 Glorify Thy name in all the earth.*

(Congregation May Be Seated)

MEDITATION *"Finding Light in the Midst of Darkness"*

RECOGNITION OF SAINTS see insert

SPECIAL MUSIC(8:55) *"Veteran's Day Salute"* Merrill Schaeffer

DEDICATION OF MEMORIAL GIFTS see insert

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

PRAYER

RESPONSIVE HYMN *"Alleluia! Gracious Jesus!"* No. 257

HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERING INVITATION

THE OFFERTORY *"One Bread, One Body"* John Foley

(Congregation standing)

THE DOXOLOGY

*All (singing): Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, you heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost*

Pastor: Lift up your hearts!

All: We lift them to the God of our salvation!

Pastor: In Jesus Christ, O God, you are calling us from death into life, calling us from the tombs of our despair, into the freedom of your hope, calling us from the darkness of our fears, into the light of your love, calling us from the emptiness of our relationships, into the fullness of your presence, calling us from the everydayness of our worlds into the splendor of your realm.

All: Thanks be to God who gives us the victory through Jesus Christ.

Pastor: We confess this day that we have not always lived as you would have us live, We have been reluctant at times to remain faithful to the God of our mothers and our fathers. We have not always lived in this community as loving and caring care-takers of the faith.

All: Forgive us of our sins and take away the guilt of our transgressions.

Pastor: Prepare our hearts this day to receive the goodness of your forgiving grace in the bread and the cup we are about to receive.

All: Thanks be to God who sent His only Son into the world to save us from our sins!

Pastor: *(Breaking the bread)*

We remember that on the night before his death, Jesus took bread and blessed, and broke it, and gave it to his disciples and said, "Take, eat, this is my body."

(Pouring the wine)

And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them saying, "Drink of it, all of you, for this is the blood of the new covenant which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you I shall

not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it anew with you in my Father's kingdom.

All: Amen. Come Lord Jesus!

Praise God from whom all blessings flow unite us sacramentally in Christ's resurrected life, that we may be nourished through these holy mysteries until, with the redeemed of all ages who have lived and died in Christ, we may feast at last in the full communion of the saints.

All: Amen. Come Lord Jesus!

Pastor: In thanksgiving, we hold sacred those faithful women and men who have followed Jesus' calling and touched our lives with their witness. Surrounded at this table by your faithful ones in heaven and on earth, we join our voices with them to sing your praise.

*All, singing: Faith of our Fathers, living still
In spite of dungeon fire and sword;
O how our hearts beat high with joy,
When we recall their faith's reward.
Faith of our Fathers living faith!
We would be true in life and death!*

Pastor: Together with these gifts of bread and wine, O God, we offer ourselves in joyful obedience to summon all who are still wrapped in the death-bands of defeat into the resurrection-life of Christ's liberating promise." I will come again and will take you to myself so that where I am, there you may be also."

**All: Amen!
Thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord, Jesus Christ!**

Pastor: Let us pray together the prayer our Savior taught us saying, 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and forever. Amen.

CHANCEL CHOIR (10:25)*“In Remembrance”*

Red/Larson

In remembrance of me, eat this bread.
 In remembrance of me, drink this wine.
 In remembrance of me, pray for the time
 When God’s own will is done.

In remembrance of me, heal the sick.
 In remembrance of me, feed the poor.
 In remembrance of me, open the door,
 And let your brother in, let him in.

Take, eat, and be comforted;
 drink and remember too,
 that this is my body and precious blood
 shed for you, shed for you.

In remembrance of me, search for truth.
 In remembrance of me, always love.
 In remembrance of me, don’t look above,
 but in your heart, look in your heart,
 look in your heart, look in your heart for God.

Do this in remembrance of me.
 Do this in remembrance of me.
 Do this in remembrance of me.
 Do this in remembrance of me.

THE SHARING OF THE ELEMENTS

(We offer wine or grape juice as the symbol of the Blood of Christ. Grape juice is the light, wine is the dark. The trailing usher has gluten free wafers.)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (unison)*(Congregation standing)*

ALL: We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Jesus Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

SENDING OUT**THE RECESSIONAL HYMN***“O Savior, for the Saints”*

No. 298

THE BENEDICTION**CHORAL SENDING**

*Just a closer walk with Thee,
 Grant it, Jesus, is my plea.
 Daily walking close to Thee,
 Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.*

CHIMES**THE POSTLUDE***“For All the Saints” ... Franklin Ritter*

All Saints Sunday is a special time in the life of the congregation when we remember our loved ones who have joined the Church Triumphant since last All Saints Sunday. These members and friends of our church family have become part of the “Great Cloud of Witnesses”.



MISSION STATEMENT

As Followers of Jesus Christ we commit ourselves to:

- Enthusiastically proclaim and teach God’s love through the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
- Share God’s love with neighbors near and far.
- Live as a Christian community of hope, acceptance, and encouragement in a rapidly changing world.

WELCOME TO ST. PAUL’S

- If you are visiting and would like to know more about St. Paul’s please fill out the visitor’s card located in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. One of our pastors will contact you.
- There are assisted listening devices for the hearing impaired available at the sound board in the rear of the church.
- **Adult Sunday school is held at 9 a.m. - Generations Class in the Lounge off the Narthex. Also, Adult Bible Study is held Tuesday evenings and Wednesday mornings. See Announcement sheets in the bulletin for details.**
- Children are always welcome in our worship space (as are the joyful noises that they sometimes add). For those moments when it might be needed, we do have a nursery room in the rear of the church that anyone with younger children is welcome to use. The room is equipped with a speaker that will allow you to continue enjoying the service. Please ask an usher if you need any assistance.
- Activity bags for children can be found on a rack in the Narthex.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(For the week of November 5, 2017)

The **Altar Flowers** are sponsored by the Quinn Family in memory of loved ones.
 The **Organ Arrangement** is sponsored by Peter and Sharon Koller in memory of Sharon’s mother, Eleanor Wanner who would have celebrated a birthday on November 15th.
 The **Piano Arrangement** is sponsored by Jane Folk in honor of Jennifer Edinger’s birthday.
 The **Bulletins** are sponsored by Grace Shollenberger in loving memory of her husband, George.
 The **Upper Room Publication** for this month is sponsored by Lynda Shenk in honor and with thanks to the volunteers of the Helping Hands.

Coffee Time Sponsor: Kent and Lori Dahlquist

Ushers: 8:55 a.m. – Allen Crockett, Betsy Becker, Christoph Snyder, Dave Balmer, Steve Wentz, Tom Agnew, Cindy Rothenberger, Heidi Pierce

10:25 a.m. – Donna Rader, Jack Creswell, Grace Hetrick, Jenn Hoffman

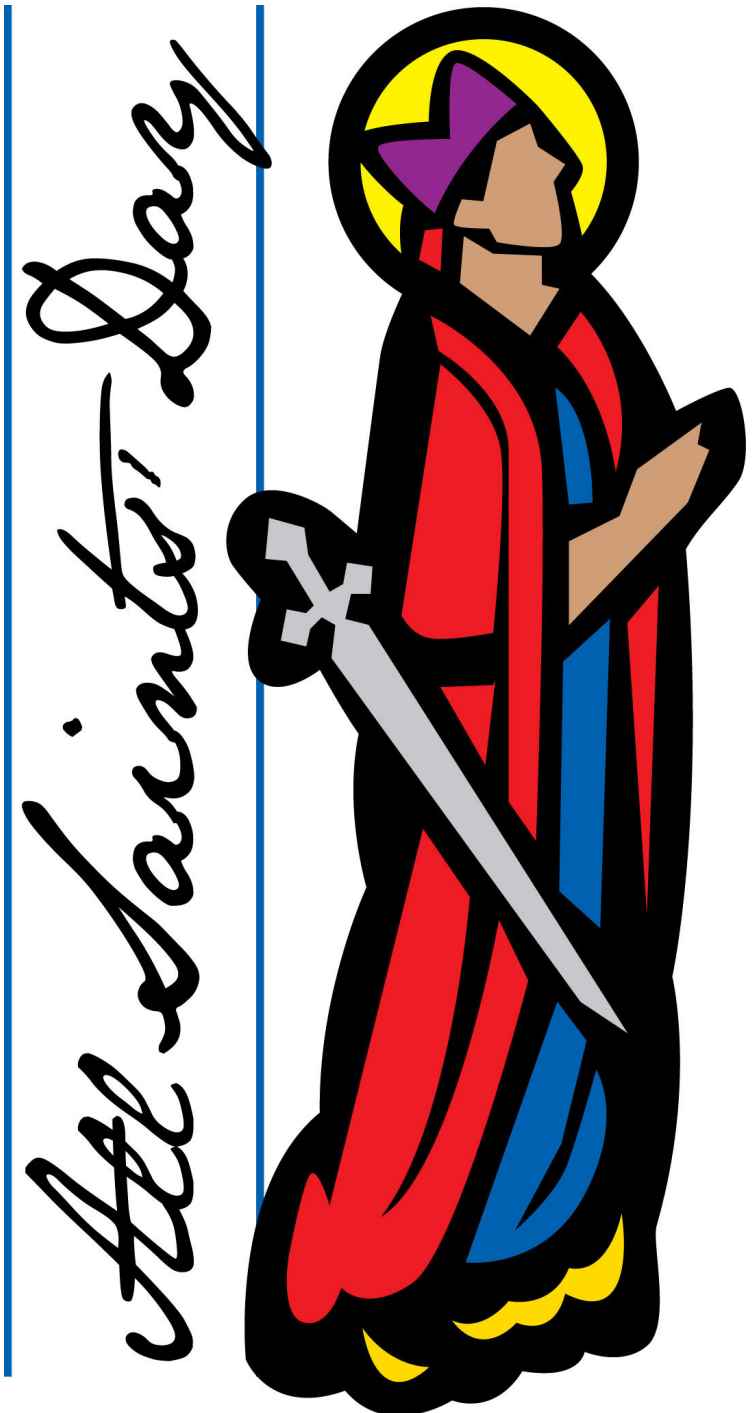
Readers: 8:55 a.m. – Sarah Herrold **10:25 a.m.** – Carol Strause

Acolytes: 8:55 a.m. – Herbert Dunkelberger and Jaiden Valick

10:25 a.m. – Parker Milyo and Emma Ertel

Attendance:	October 29, 2017	8:55 a.m. – 125	10:25 a.m. – 65
September	Income	Expense	Difference
General Acct	\$29,522.20	\$39,979.94	-\$10,457.74
Other Accts	\$ 3,651.22	\$ 8,505.40	-\$ 4,854.18
Year to date			
General Acct	\$301,352.30	\$367,232.68	-\$65,880.38
Other Accts	\$ 78,777.94	\$ 83,487.56	-\$ 4,709.62

An additional \$28,000.00 of income was collected for the Sewer Project



Richard Aulenbach
11/8/16

Michele Schlegel
11/22/16

Pearl Noll
12/15/16

Barbara Keim
12/15/17

Paul Miller
1/8/17

Ralph Galen
1/8/17

Sheridan Ficarro
1/16/17

Mildred Bachman
1/25/17

Susan Sneddon
2/7/17

Robert Lenhart
2/13/17

Lisa Gordon
2/28/17

Janet Schaeffer Williams
3/17/17

Donald Dries
3/25/17



Marvin Harner
3/30/17

Darwin Schaeffer
4/25/17

Robert Eshbach
5/4/17

Preston Rowe
5/24/17

Roy Shomgard
5/31/17

Floyd Ulrich
6/10/17

Sandra Buck
6/26/17

Christopher Brown
8/24/17

Suzanne Seaman
9/14/17

Allyson Stern
9/18/17

Eleanor Wanner
10/4/2017

Paul H. Schmeltzle
10/5/2017

Marie Boyer
10/9/2017



Memorial Gifts All Saints Sunday – November 5, 2017

Cabin Refurbishing

Jim Aulenbach Memorials
Pearl Noll Memorials
George Shollenberger Memorials
Reuel Thomas Memorials