

**ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
**5 West Arch Street, Fleetwood, Pennsylvania 19522**  
**Email: [churchoffice@stpaulsfleetwood.org](mailto:churchoffice@stpaulsfleetwood.org)**  
**Website: [www.stpaulsfleetwood.org](http://www.stpaulsfleetwood.org)**  
**Church Office Phone-610-944-0406**

<b>Rev. Patrick W. Morris</b>	<b>Senior Pastor</b>	<b>610-207-7361 (Cell)</b>
<b>Rev. John Folk</b>	<b>Associate Pastor</b>	<b>484-926-2546 (Home)</b>
		<b>610-468-8200 (Cell)</b>
<b>Jill Haley</b>	<b>Music Ministry Coordinator</b>	<b><a href="mailto:jilhaley@ptd.net">jilhaley@ptd.net</a></b>
<b>Greta Ertel</b>	<b>Organist</b>	<b><a href="mailto:ertelb@msn.com">ertelb@msn.com</a></b>
<b>Samantha Wolf</b>	<b>Secretary</b>	<b>(see above)</b>
<b>Lynda Shenk</b>	<b>Helping Hands Coordinator</b>	<b>610-451-6732(Cell) or</b>
		<b><a href="mailto:shenklynda@gmail.com">shenklynda@gmail.com</a></b>

### ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

**Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 – Saturday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**Hospitalized:** *If you or someone you know is hospitalized or ill, please call the church office at 610-944-0406. If you do not want the name listed in the bulletin, please notify the church office as well. Thank you for your help.* **On-going Prayer Needs:** Ross McKently, Fern Shankweiler, Steven Sutherland, Elizabeth Ressler, Bruce Schutt, Mike Berg, June Wanner, Eric Speece, Dee Eastland, Lynn Dodson, Jenna Sassaman, Devin, and D.J., Jane Folk, Jack Raines, Mary Ann Hayes, Ellis Rice, Christian Beetel, Beth Jennings, Jim Ott.



**Josephine Muth...** Please sign the "Thinking of You" card.



<b>December 4<sup>th</sup>,</b>	<b>Christmas Tea</b>	<b>7:00</b>
<b>December 5<sup>th</sup>,</b>	<b>Bible Study</b>	<b>10:00, Lounge</b>
<b>December 5<sup>th</sup>,</b>	<b>Prayer Chain</b>	<b>11:00, Lounge</b>

**Are you interested in becoming a member at St. Paul's?** We would love to have you as part of our church family! Contact Pastor Pat if you would like to talk more about being part of this community of faith.

**PLEASE BE REMINDED:** The office hours are as follows; Monday, 8AM- 1PM; Tuesday, 8AM-12PM; Wednesday, 8AM-11AM; Thursday, 8AM-1PM; Friday, 8AM-11AM. If you are part of a committee that has deliveries to the church, please make sure that the vendor is notified of these new hours.

**Bible Study:** We meet at 10:00 a.m. in the lounge. All are welcome to attend.

**THE MUSIC CORNER:** The Early choir sings at the 1<sup>st</sup> service on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month. If interested, see Jill for the music and join us at 8:30 that morning for a run through.

**ADVENT BIBLE STUDY:** This year, experience Advent and Christmas with the one who knew Jesus more intimately than anyone else—his mother, Mary. Imagine the pain she felt at the crucifixion, her pride as Jesus' ministry grew, and her unrestrained joy when she looked into his tiny face that fateful night in the stable. Adam Hamilton helps you witness the life of Jesus from Mary's unique perspective, starting at the very end and traveling back in time to the very beginning—the night of Christ's birth. The Advent Study will conclude Wednesday, December 19. The group meets in the lounge at 10 AM. All are welcome to join us!

**Christmas Shut-In Cards:** It's that again time (Christmas) to remember our shut-ins with a Christmas card. A bag for each shut-in will be placed in the Narthex. We are asking our members to sign their name on a Christmas card for each person (or as many as you wish) and drop them in the bags. There will be about 35 shut-ins. There will be bags in the Narthex from Sunday, November 25<sup>th</sup> to Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. Let's help to show our shut-ins that they are not forgotten and help to put a smile on their faces. Watch the church bulletin for the exact number of shut-ins. This is a Women's Guild project.

**Christmas Tea:** Men, Women and children, mark your calendars for our annual Christmas Tea on **Tuesday, December 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.** Please bring a plate of cookies/cookie bars; deliver to kitchen so that we may combine them on table trays. It's always been a lovely evening and a good way to enter the Advent to the Christmas Season. A poster will be in the narthex for sign-ups. Please sign your name as well as the number of guests at your table, this way I can seat you with your group. If you do not have a group you will be seated at a table accordingly. I hope to see you all on Tuesday, December 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 for the Tea.

**Christmas Eve Service:** Children and youth are invited to share a musical selection at the Sunday School Christmas program on December 16, and the 7 pm Christmas Eve service. Youth and adults are welcome to do the same at the 10:30 service on Christmas Eve. Please see Jill. She has music selections if you need help finding something to sing or play.

**Brass Rehearsal:** Rehearsal for Christmas Eve Service will be on the following Sundays after the second service: December 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, and 23<sup>rd</sup>. Any questions please call Jay Smith (610-944-0727)

**Prayer Shawl Ministry Information:** There will be no Prayer Shawl Ministry meeting in December. We look forward to seeing you at our regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, January 7, 2019, at 7 pm. in the church lounge.

**STOCKINGS FOR SOLDIERS:** Please help us fill stockings to send to our active military personnel for the holidays through Keystone Military Families in Shoemakersville. Here are their wish lists. **All items need to be in by Sunday, Dec 9<sup>th</sup>** to ensure that they arrive in time to the troops for the holidays. See the donation box in the narthex by the shopping cart.

Stockings for Soldiers WISH LIST:

- |  |   |   |
|--|---|---|
| <b>Christmas Stockings –<br/>20" to 24" in size.<br/>Handmade or purchased</b>   | <b>Sunflower Seeds &amp; Nuts</b>   | <b>Vitamins</b>   |
| <b>Christmas hats – Santa<br/>or elf type</b>  | <b>*Individual snacks like<br/>crackers, cookies,<br/>cheese/cracker kits</b> | <b>5 Hour Energy and<br/>similar products</b>   |
| <b>Paper or plastic<br/>Christmas decorations –<br/>no glass ornaments<br/>please</b>  | <b>*Peanut Butter &amp; Jelly –<br/>small size plastic jars<br/>please</b>    | <b>Odor Eaters (for boots),<br/>Dr. Scholl's foot pads,<br/>blister pads</b>          |
| <b>Ground or instant<br/>Coffee, Kcups, and<br/>hot tea. Coffee creamer<br/>and sugar packets too!<br/>Hot chocolate or hot<br/>cider.</b> | <b>Candy canes</b>  | <b>Hand Sanitizer – small<br/>size bottles to carry with<br/>them</b>                 |
| <b>*Power Bars, cereal<br/>bars, trail mix, granola<br/>bars and healthy snacks</b>  | <b>Small sewing kits and<br/>manicure kits</b>                                | <b>Mens and Ladies calf<br/>high socks or boot socks<br/>in black or white.</b>       |
| <b>Slim Jims, Beef or<br/>Turkey Jerky</b>   | <b>*Sunscreen and insect<br/>repellent,</b>                                   | <b>Hand and foot warmers</b>  |
|  | <b>Chap Stick with<br/>sunscreen,<br/>Blistex</b>                             | <b>Thermal gloves or glove<br/>liners</b>   |
|  | <b>Aspirin, Tylenol and cold<br/>meds in small packages</b>                   | <b>*CDs and DVDs – New<br/>or used are fine. Current<br/>releases are appreciated</b> |

**OPERATION SANTA:** Phoebe Allentown has given us a list of residents and their gift request for this year. Please stop at the table in the narthex before or after church to pick a name and make their Christmas happy. Gifts do not have to be wrapped. Put into a bag with their name and room number on it, which you will be given. Thanks for the participation. Please have your gifts brought in by December 9th.

Thanks, Lynda Shenk

**Poinsettias for Christmas Eve:** There are two ways to contribute to the Poinsettia display which will adorn our altar on Christmas Eve. You can give a \$1 donation to contribute toward plants which will be given to the elderly and shut-ins **or** you can give \$6.50 per plant, which allows you to keep the plant you buy. In either case, your donation can be in Memory of, in Honor of a loved one, or simply for your own enjoyment. You will find envelopes in the pews to place this tear-off in, mark Poinsettias and then place it in the offering basket. Names will be taken until **December 9<sup>th</sup>**. A list containing sponsors will be available in the December 30<sup>th</sup> bulletin.

\$1 donation: # \_\_\_\_\_ \$6.50 Purchase \_\_\_\_\_ Red \_\_\_\_\_ White \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

For your own enjoyment: \_\_\_\_\_



**Luminaries** will surround the church property again on Christmas Eve. A donation of \$1 will sponsor a candle in Memory or Honor of a loved one, or for your own enjoyment. You will find envelopes in the pews to place this tear-off in, mark it luminaries and then place it in the offering basket. Names will be taken **until December 9<sup>th</sup>**. A list will be in the bulletin on **December 30<sup>th</sup>**.

\$1 donation per candle: # \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

For your own enjoyment \_\_\_\_\_