

Worship Times

Sundays
10:15 am
With
Holy Communion

Sunday School
9 am



Invite a
friend
to
church!



St. Paul's LUTHERAN CHURCH of Sassamansville

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The Epistle

Our Services with
Holy Communion
10:15 am
resume on September 9!

(will be at 9 am on September 2)



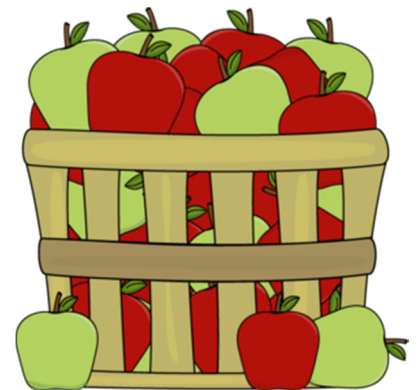
All submissions to be
included in the October
issue of The Epistle are
due by

**10 am on Wednesday,
September 12.**

Please email things to
Andrea at [office@
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September 15	6 th Annual Golf Outing
September 30	Harvest Home
October 6	Oktoberfest Pork and Sauerkraut Dinner
October 27	Trunk or Treat (TBA)
November 4	Koreen Mace Concert



Harvest Home

This will be celebrated on
Sunday, September 30.



Non- perishable
items will be collected on the
table in the narthex during the
month of September all items
will be distributed to the
Boyertown Multi-Service
Pantry.

Note from Pastor Matt



September is when things start to get significantly busier in the life of St. Paul's. Our Annual Golf Outing comes on Saturday September 15. We return to our regular Sunday schedule on Sunday September 9, Christian Education at 9 A.M. and Worship at 10:15 A.M. Last fall we began new format for Christian Education. People of all ages are invited to gather in the fellowship hall at 9am on Sunday mornings. There we will gather to sing, pray, learn, and share. This year we will be focused on the stories of Jesus in the Gospels. This weekly gathering is intended for people aged 0-100, so if you fall into that category please join us for a fulfilling and fun time. Also beginning September 2 (still at 9 A.M.) we will begin five weeks looking at the book of James. This letter helps us understand what it means to live out our faith, and is important for us to hear today (even if Martin Luther didn't like it very much).

Also starting in September you may notice some changes on Sunday mornings. Over the past months the council has been discussing ways our congregation can become more welcoming and accommodating, especially to families with young(er) children. Two major changes to our space will be visible. First, the council room will become our new parlor. This will provide a comfortable and welcoming space for people to use on Sunday mornings and other times. It will also be used for smaller committee meetings, Bible studies, and classes. One of the classrooms in the education wing will become the new council room. Second, you will notice a new space in the front of the nave designated for families with young children. We will remove two pews and add small kid friendly tables. These tables are for kids in the toddler to Kindergarten age range. In addition to the table space we will be providing activity bags for children containing crayons, soft toys, and age appropriate activity sheets related to that day's scripture readings. For older children we will provide clipboards and age appropriate activity sheets related to the day's readings. The idea is to equip and support parents for handing on the tradition of worship to their children. Other congregations have done similar things and have had positive feedback.

The goal behind these changes is not merely to "occupy" young children during worship, but to help them engage in worship in ways that are age appropriate. Placing the space near the chancel helps children see what is happening and engage with the worship service. The guidance of parents and other caring adults helps the children learn the patterns and actions of corporate worship. One study of children in worship said that we "expect too much of very young children and too little of older children." Our goal with this undertaking is to help parents in determining those expectations with their children while equipping both the parents and the children, so that they can participate in worship more fully. These two changes, the parlor and the kid's space, are happening at the same time for a reason. Sometimes young children just need a break. Sometimes they have grumpy days, like all of us. The parlor will have audio of the service playing during worship; it is a good place to go for a "break".

Like many things in life this will be a work in progress. It may take a few weeks for everyone to get used to the new arrangement. Things may need to be adjusted. Please be patient with us. These changes are not arbitrary; we are undertaking them for a reason. That reason is to help form and build the faith of *all* people who gather to worship God at St. Paul's.

Date Monies MUST be attached to form to have that date sponsored.	Flowers \$22 for one vase \$44 for two vases \$7 delivery charge	Bulletins \$12 per week
September 2	OPEN	OPEN
September 9	OPEN	OPEN
September 16	Sponsored	OPEN
September 23	OPEN	Sponsored
September 30	OPEN	OPEN

September Birthdays

1—Brianna Heydt
 6—Roxanne Christy
 9—Diana Dugan
 11—Joseph Adams, Sarah
 13—Jim Campbell
 18—Michael Crouch, Kim Ibach
 19—Kelsey Conn
 21—Robert Schmidt
 22—Steve Sanderlin
 29—Debra Wergin
 30—Terry Moyer



Happy Anniversary to

these September celebrations!

4—Cory and Lynette Hoffman
 26—LeRoy and Jean Roshong
 28—Wayne and Tina Losinno
 29—Andrew and Mary Mathias



WELCOME BACK TO SUNDAY SCHOOL!

Everyone is invited to join us as we start our Sunday School program again on Sunday, September 9 at 9 am in the Fellowship Hall.

If you have not been to one of our classes, please join us as we will be learning about the Gospels.

Refreshments are provided!!!!

See you there!

Mission Statement

"To know Christ and make Christ known
 Spread the Gospel by word and action"

Remember in your prayers:

Our Church members, family and friends.....

Betty Gilbert	Mary Moyer	Arlene Hess
Esther Renninger	Robin Koch	Cleora Shellaway
Helen Johnson	Marie Stauffer	Elizabeth
Mary Ann Levan	Gloria Stricker	Audrea Littlefield
Ruthy Heydt	Eugene Heydt	Shirley Heydt
John and Miki Mroz		Richard Keppler
Kim Frain		Maxwell Francis Girard (baby)
Kane Prutzman	Larry Gallagher	
Susan Prutzman		



The young men and women serving in our armed forces....

Noah Ziegler, Peter Duchak, Matthew McHugh,
Eric Littlefield

For the families and friends who mourn the loss of their loved ones.....

Helen Mercer, Harold Renninger, Rosemary Hojecki,
Steven and Cheryl Stricker, Mill Barry, John and Thelma Simmons,
John Hilbert, Brenda Eschbach, Dexter Merkel, Joseph Karl Renninger

Our Ministry Volunteers

Date	September 2	September 9	September 16	September 23
Acolyte	Geoff Littlefield	Geoff Littlefield	Donna Long	Doris Moyer
Reader	LeRoy Roshong	Confirmation Class	Carol Adams	Doris Moyer
Ushers	Kim Ibach / Doris Moyer	Allen and Ruthy Heydt	Marlene Duchak / Gene Yerger	LeRoy and Jean Roshong
Counters	Jodie Moyer / Marlene Duchak	Barbara Littlefield/ Geoff Littlefield	Willard Koch / Gerald Koch	Doris Moyer / Kim Ibach
Altar Guild	Barb Marlow / Barb Littlefield / Geoff Littlefield	Debbie Spencer / Jodie Moyer	Debbie Spencer / Jodie Moyer	Debbie Spencer / Jodie Moyer
Council	Geoff Littlefield / Diane McGlinchey	Geoff Littlefield / Diane McGlinchey	Geoff Littlefield / Diane McGlinchey	Geoff Littlefield / Diane McGlinchey

Date	September 30
Acolyte	Ruthy Heydt
Reader	Jodie Moyer
Ushers	Barb Littlefield / Geoff Littlefield
Counters	Dawn Hydock / Debbie Spencer
Altar Guild	Debbie Spencer / Jodie Moyer
Council	Geoff Littlefield / Diane McGlinchey





Boyertown Area Multi-Service is a social service agency with a mission to provide resources and services to meet unfulfilled human and community needs within the Boyertown Area School District and surrounding communities. We are an independent non-profit agency. Simply put, we exist to help people and strengthen our community.

Multi-Service needs your help! We are in serious need of competent kitchen volunteers (Monday through Friday) for kitchen prep work, Meals on Wheels packers and dishwashers. Volunteers would not have to help every day. We will work around schedules. Hours vary according to the job; Meals on Wheels packers 7:30 to noon, kitchen prep work 8:00 to 1:30, and dishwashers from 11:45 to 1:30. Volunteers will receive a hot lunch!

We also need people to help us break down the center after a weekend rental. You might be called on to come in on a Saturday or Sunday morning or afternoon. This would require you to help take down the dance floor and arrange the tables and chairs, so that the center is operational for the week.

If you or anyone you know would be interested in these volunteer opportunities, please contact MaryAnn Gruber at 610-367-6957 or email at mgruber@boyertownareamulti-service.org,

Thank You and God Bless You!

MaryAnn Gruber

Volunteer Coordinator

Boyertown Area Multi-Service

200 West Spring Street

Boyertown, PA 19512

Phone (610) 367-6957

Fax (610)367-0211

mgruber@boyertownareamulti-service.org

Remember to inform the church office of any changes in name, address, phone or email so that we can stay in touch.

kid page

Name 5 friends you have at church

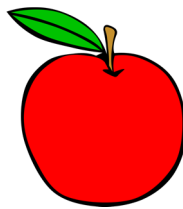
- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

Name 5 things you see at church

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

Draw a picture of a rainbow! Did you see one with all of this rain that has been falling?

What things need rain?



Draw something else that needs rain to live.

BASKETS AND BAKED GOODS NEEDED

Oktoberfest and Pork and Sauerkraut Dinner---October 6

Yes, one of our big fundraisers is right around the corner. We are in need of filled baskets for this event.



So, please if you can get your family or pull together with another family and come up with a theme and fill a basket to be raffled off it would be greatly appreciated. If baskets could be at church by Sunday, September 30 that would be great. We will get them ready and have them on display for all to see. We have had so much fun and success with this fundraiser in the past and we hope that this year will be better than ever. If you have any questions, please see or call Diane McGlinchey at 610-369-0373.

If your talent is not filling baskets maybe it is baking. If you have a special baked good(s) please make it and bring it to church by 12:00 noon on Saturday, Oct. 6.

Thank you in advance for supporting St. Paul's.



St. Paul's Lutheran Church 6th Annual Golf Outing

Twin Ponds Golf Course, Gilbertsville, PA
Saturday, September 15, 2018



Cash Prizes for Golf:

First Place: \$400.00 per team

Second Place: \$200.00 per team

Third Place: \$100.00 per team

Time: 1:00 P.M. Shotgun Start with Scramble Format

Registration and Lunch: 11:30 A.M.

Price: \$80.00 per golfer

Early Bird Special: Register by June 14, 2018 Receive three free Grand Prize Raffle Tickets (\$10.00) value)

Over \$1,000.00 in Raffle Prizes (Grand Prize Raffle tickets are \$5.00 each and three for \$10.00) and Door Prizes.

Every golfer will win something!

Includes: Golf, Lunch, Beverages, Special Contests and Dinner

Contact: Gene T. Yerger 610 721-9375

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St. Paul's LUTHERAN CHURCH *of Sassamansville*

Celebrates
GERMAN AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH
and
THE REFORMATION
with
OktoberFest!

**All You Can Eat
Traditional Pork and Sauerkraut Dinner**

to be held on
Saturday October 6, 2018
in

St. Paul's Fellowship Hall
1809 Hoffmansville Road, P.O. Box 370
Sassamansville, PA 19472

Dinner 4:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M. Entertainment 4:30 P.M. -8:30 P.M.

\$12.00 per person ages 11 and older

\$6.00 per person ages 6 - 10

ages 5 and under EAT FREE!

- Dinner also includes Hot Dogs, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Corn, Applesauce, & Ice Cream
- Live Entertainment and Beer Garden
- Bake Sale and Gift Basket Raffles

For further information contact Gene Yerger at 610-721-9375

Freed
& RENEWED
in **Christ**
500 YEARS OF GOD'S
GRACE IN ACTION



