

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

SUNDAY SERVICE

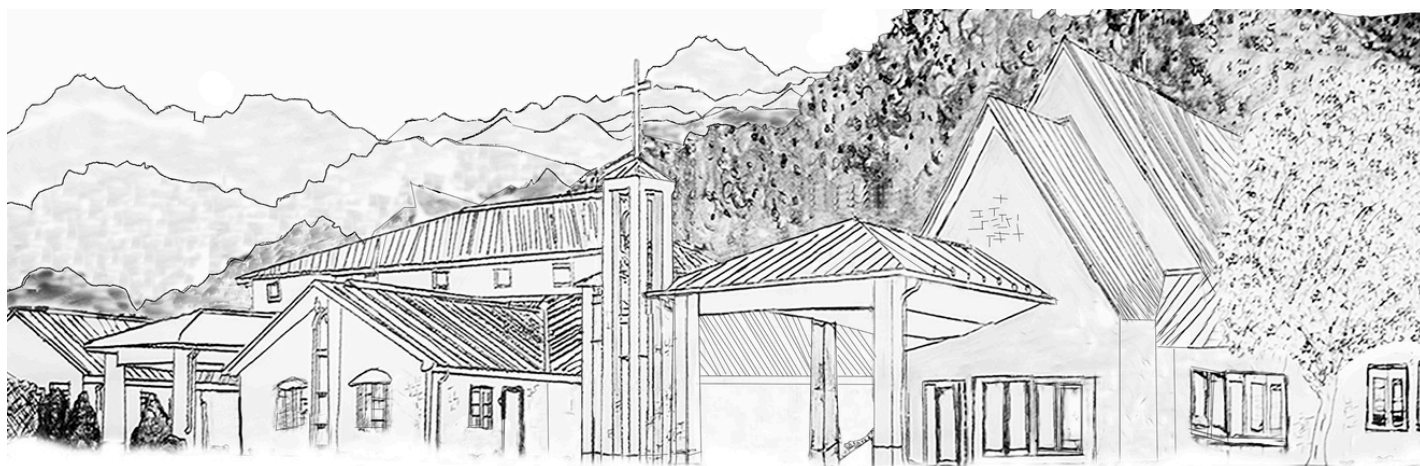
With Pastor Ryan Oswald
10:00am

SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:00 - 9:45am
Adults, youth, and children

MEETINGS

Trustees Mar. 10th 5:30pm



FROM PASTOR RYAN OSWALD

"He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay." - Matthew 28:6

He Has Risen! He has Risen Indeed!

It is April, and that means it is Easter time! The Easter story is the very foundation of our faith. We want to celebrate Jesus's Passion and Resurrection at Saint Paul's by offering you many different opportunities to worship our Lord and to reflect on the most momentous event in human history.

Please join us for Holy Week services, starting with our Palm Sunday Worship service. Throughout Holy Week, every day at 6 pm, we will have worship services that tell, through song and word, the story of Jesus's last week before the crucifixion.

Join us on Easter Sunday at 10 a.m. as we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. On that day, we will kick off our new sermon series, Doubting God.

It's easy to think of doubt as a sign of weak faith. But it's not. God isn't afraid of our doubts, so we don't have to be either. In the series, Doubting God, we're creating a space for the questions we've been afraid to ask. We will start it on Easter Sunday by discussing doubts people often have about the Resurrection. Together, let's discover how doubt can actually build our faith.

I pray all of you have a blessed Holy Week and a very Happy Easter.

Ryan

SERVICES FOR
HOLY WEEK

PALM SUNDAY
April 13th 10:00am

HOLY MONDAY
April 14th 6:00pm

HOLY TUESDAY
April 15th 6:00pm

HOLY WEDNESDAY
April 16th 6:00pm

MAUNDY THURSDAY
April 17th 6:00pm

GOOD FRIDAY
April 18th 6:00pm

EASTER SUNDAY
April 20th 10:00am

Save the Date: Church Picnic

Please save the date for our next picnic luncheon on Sunday, May 18th following worship. We will be celebrating paying off our church mortgage! We hope you can join us for this historical event for our church.

A signup will be available around Easter.



BIBLE STUDIES

Men's Bible Study
Mondays 6:30pm
Led by Chad Brown

Men's Bible Study
Tuesdays 6:00pm
Led by Tyler Koch

Lenten Bible Study
Wednesdays 6:15pm
Led by Tyler Koch

Digest the Message
Wednesdays 6:15pm
Led by Samantha Brensinger

Spiritual Warfare Course
Wednesdays 6:15pm
OR
Thursdays 11:00am
Led by Pastor Ryan

Youth Group News



Easter Flower Fundraiser

We will be holding our Easter Flower Fundraiser this month to benefit St. Paul's Youth. Flower purchases may be made through April 7th. Flowers will be available to take home Easter Sunday!

Easter Cantata

Our Easter Cantata will be on Palm Sunday, May 4th at 10:00am, during service.

LIBRARY HOURS

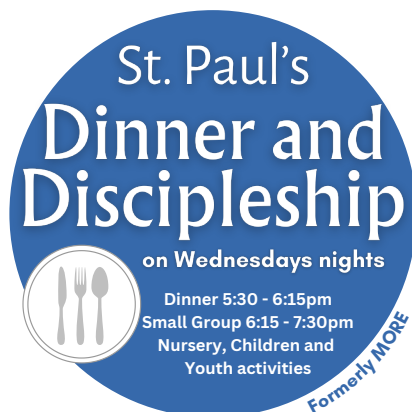
Thursdays: 10:00 - 11:30am
Sundays: 9:30 - 10:00am,
11:00 - 11:30am

NEW MEMBERS

Debbie Riker



Dinner and Discipleship



Dinner and Discipleship returns Wednesday nights! We invite you to join us for dinner, Bible Study, and activities for youth, children, and nursery. Our last Wednesday night for the season will be April 23rd.

Adult meals: \$8
Children 7-12: \$4
Children under 6: Free

Meals for pick-up: 5:00 - 6:00pm
Dine in: 5:30pm

PRAYER LIST

Long Term:

Helen Caldwell, Ray Pitsenbarger, Warren Grant, Kay Clarke, Jerry Sheffer, Junior Conner, Emily Harlow, Frank Marks, Sharon Hirtriter, Luther Ramsey, Gene Halterman, Gaynelle Null, Patsy Dillon, Pam Hall, Emery Harper Kline, Sharon Bartley, John Koch, Donnie Brooks, Betty Bartley, Michele Miller, Woolfrey, James Neff, Jimmy Powers, Bobby Callihan, Rick Rosano



Easter Jam: Easter Egg Hunt

Bring your family and join us for EASTER JAM on Sunday, April 13th at 2:00pm. Have a great time participating in age appropriate activities for the family!

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Easter Egg Hunt: Birth through Pre-k

Glow in the Dark Easter Egg Hunt for children in grades Kindergarten through 5th

Blessing Love Inc.



From the Serve Committee: St. Paul's would like to form a team of 6-8 people to cook (offsite) and serve a meal on Tuesday evening, May 27th, at 6:00pm at Tinkling Spring Presbyterian Church in Fishersville. About 120 meals for adults and children are needed. The host church has a "warming" kitchen that opens at 5:00pm and they supply the table settings and drinks. There are two serving tables/lines, so each item must be served in duplicate. If you are interested in participating, please email the Serve Committee at serve@stpaulsstanton.org

ALCOLYTES

April 6th: Carson Hall and Micah Graf

April 13th: Ava Parks and Daylie Oswald

April 20th: TBA

April 27th: Russell Brensinger and Adrienne Graf

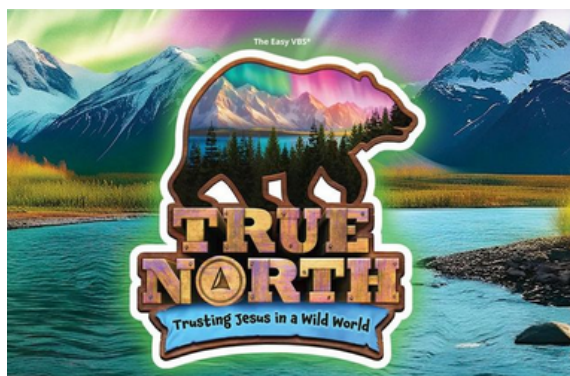
NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

April 13th: Kasia Davis

April 20th: Patty Bartley



Vacation Bible School



Join us for VBS
June 23 - 27th
For ages: 3 through
completed 5th grade

Scan to register



CHURCH PICK UP DAY

Please join us for Spring Clean Up Day!

April 26th 9AM -Noon
We need your help!
Bring yourself, rakes, shovels,
sprayers and trucks! Any and
all help will be appreciated!
See Tim Austin for more
details.

Vacation Bible School Volunteers

We need your help! All hands on deck!! First, anyone who would like to volunteer during this fun filled week of sharing God's love with the children of our church and community, please contact Chris Lyle at (540) 290-2858 or email lyle.chris@gmail.com. Second, we will be in need of food donations for snacks during this week. Look for a list in the narthex as time draws closer! We look forward to a great week of helping children grow in God's love!



Volunteers Needed:

STATION LEADERS:



- **Bible Storytellers** - These volunteers would tell the story for each day
- **Imagination Station** - These volunteers would get to work with students by introducing them to a Sciency-Fun activity that connects to the Bible Point for the day. It's super interactive!
- **Music** - These volunteers would focus on teaching the music and the movements to the students each day
- **Games and Recreation** - These volunteers would lead the groups in fun games and activities each day!
- **Crafts** - These volunteers would lead children in making a craft each day
- **Sticky Scripture** - These volunteers will watch a video with the groups each day that will encourage an understanding of God's Word and foster the ability to apply it
- **Snacks** - These volunteers would get snack ready for each of the groups of kids throughout the morning.

OTHER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

- **Crew Leaders** - These volunteers would be responsible for getting groups of children from station to station
- **Registration** - These volunteers would check-in the children as they arrive and equip them with a name tag
- **Decorating** - These people would help to get the areas decorated prior to VBS beginning.

MOWING SCHEDULE

ZERO TURN

April 7th: John Cline
April 14th: Mark Chambers
April 21st: Abbott Graham
April 28th: Bryan Lyle

RIDING MOWER

April 7th: Jim Stuart
April 14th: Nate Cromer
April 21st: Ray Norcross
April 28th: Doug Harris

KROGER

Kroger has awarded St. Paul's with another quarterly dividend check. Thank you to the 41 households who made this possible by shopping at Kroger between December 2024 - February 2025. This brings the total St. Paul's has received to-date to \$10,034.74. If you haven't signed up, go to krogercommunityrewards.com to enroll and use organization number PG629.



Thank You Notes

Thank you to all of St. Paul's prayers, thanks for the flower basket and the gift basket. We appreciate everything so much. Thank you to Wayne Corbin and his family for every blessing. - Pattie and Lou Phelps

Thank you very much for the very pretty white carnations. - Love, Gaynelle

Dearest St. Paul's, Even though i can't attend church at this time, I am so blessed to be remembered at all times!! I miss you all so much. Thank you so, so much as you keep remembering me with delicious meals, phone calls, cards, and visits. I look forward on Sunday morning for Ryan's service. Visits are so enjoyable. So many thanks to all. my prayers for you everyday. - Yours in Christ, Helen Caldwell

Wayne, thank you so much your visit and for bringing the basket from St Paul's! I appreciate it and love my membership there. - Sarah Irvine

Donations

Valley Mission

Floor cleaner, dish soap, all-purpose bleach cleaner, and bleach

Marquis Memorial UMC Food Pantry

Canned vegetables and canned meat

Birthdays and Anniversaries

April Birthdays

2nd Mary Katherine Graham
3rd Lelia Clem, Sarah Melton
5th Betsy Brooks
6th Katherine Whisman
7th Clay Graham, Susan Brooks
9th David Ludwig
12th Noah Pultz
15th Lisa Bartenslager
16th Margaret Woodfin
18th Garrett Hickey, James Hite, Jackson Shreckhise
19th Jim Bryant, Melissa Logue
20th Kasia Norcross
22nd Mike Robbins
25th Brenda Orebaugh
26th Pattie Phelps, Chris Pultz

April Anniversaries

1st Mark and Anne Clarke
9th Doug and Nancy Harris
18th Glen and Bettie Oberholtzer
21st Mick and Jeanne Lambert

May Birthdays

2nd Catherine Desper
3rd Teresa Hey
4th David Meyr
5th Lou Oswald
7th Baylor Norcross
8th Don Cromer
9th Isaac Eagle
11th Tracey Eagle, Ford Henry Young
12th Glen Moore, Bob Huffer
13th Josh Hall
16th Avalyn Dimeo
18th Jimmy Landes
19th Junior Conner, Sharon Jones, Tammy Tyree
21st Megan Corbin, Pattie Smith, John Koch
23th Emma Pultz, Adrienne Graf
24th Edmund Strickler, Carolyn Carver
25th Allie Huffer
29th Samantha Brensinger

May Anniversaries

1st Bokey and Cheryl Wright
3rd Steve and Kara Malcolm
7th Randy and Kim Kiser
10th David and Tracey Eagle
15th Phil & Anna Morrisette
24th Max & Sharon Hirtriter

GREETERS

April 6th: Mike and Amy Francis

April 13th: Nancy Marshall and Samantha Brensinger

April 20th: Bo and Mary Flint

April 27th: Wade and Tora Woolfrey

LITURGIST

April 6th: Tyler Koch

April 13th: Anne Clarke

April 20th: Youth

April 27th: Edmund Strickler

**St Paul's Church
Executive Committee Meeting
Thursday, February 27, 2025**

Members Present: Pastor Ryan Oswald, Jeanette Hull, Chairwoman, Clay Graham, Financial Chairman, Jacque Walters, HR and Recording Secretary

Members At Large: Margie Strickler, Angela Williams, and Kirk Ramsey

Absent: Bob Paul

Corporate Treasurer- Missy Huffer

St Paul Pre-School in attendance: Angela Smith and Chris Lyle

Call to Order and Prayer at 6:15pm: Pastor Ryan

Angela Smith and Chris Lyle passed out their Proposal for Tuition for the next school year. Their normal tuition fees start August to April; however, an additional fee will be made payable on May 1st. They reported their 4-year-old program is full, however, the two- and three-year-old are not completely full to date. The Dept. of Health is requiring at least two faucets be tested for lead and this is being done.

The January 2025 Minutes were reviewed with minor corrections. Jeanette Hull moved that we approve the January Minutes. Seconded by Kirk Ramsey. Motion approved.

Pastor Ryan handed out to the committee the Responsibilities of an Ordained Deacon. These positions are ordained by the Pastor for life; however, the term of active service at St. Paul's is two years. A called meeting for the vote on the four proposed deacons will be March 30th after the church service. The Pastor would like to see a budget entry for 2026 for continued education for the appointed deacons. The Pastor then had the committee take the DISC Personality Test. This was a fun exercise and collected by Pastor Ryan at the end for further reflection as he sees needs in the church.

Missy Huffer reported a loss in January giving of \$14,501.47. Discussion was made about the different options for giving at St Paul's. While the QR Code is available, it does come with fees that is usually absorbed by the church. ACH giving through the bank is available and has no fees. PayPal is going to be researched to see if it is a safe and viable option also.

The current balance on the Endowment Fund is: \$609,712.35 which is down from the previous month by \$11,824.62.

Balances on the individual accounts are as follows:

\$135,593.45 Perry
\$29,221.21 Holsinger
\$85,890.03 Butler
\$83,168.57 Showalter
\$169,240.54 Hildebrand
\$106,924.55 Endowment Fund

After committee discussion, Jeanette Hull made the motion that all church paid staff shall use the church business credit card for needed purchases. These credit cards have a \$500 limit and anything needed over that amount can be made with the addition of the Treasurer's card. Seconded by Jacque Walters. Motion approved.

Clay Graham: Clay would like a meeting with the Church Treasurer and Investment Strategist regarding how to invest the Endowment Funds going forward over the next five to ten years and into the future of the church.

Jacquie Walters – No report

Angela Williams – No Report

Kirk Ramsey – No Report

Margie Strickler reported that 110 members were in attendance for Candlemas. With lunch included, it was a great success. 112 Church Directories were handed out on Sundays in February. Additional copies are available in the office. Coming Events: Mortgage Burning Note celebration will be Sunday, May, 18th. Sunday, June 29th, Rev. Lou Strugala will be in attendance and a lunch will be served after the service. D&D on Wednesday evenings is a success, thanks to Sam Brensinger and helpers.

Jeanette Hull reported that Bill Jones, Mark Chambers and Wade Woolfrey are reviewing the Church Bylaws and will be at the March meeting with their report.

With no other business, the meeting was dismissed with prayer at 8:30pm

Next Executive Committee meeting, March 27, 2025.