



*For Your Information—For Your Inspiration*  
**News & Notes for St. Paul's Community**  
**Fifth Sunday of Easter**  
**May 14 & 15, 2022**

**Visitors and members—Welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church! We're glad you're here and pray that you experience God's kindness with us in worship.**

At St. Paul's, a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, all baptized persons are welcome at Holy Communion—the Altar is God's table. We are currently having continuous communion, but if you prefer, you can pick up an individual communion cup in the narthex. Gluten free wafers are also available.

*Easter initiates a new day. It anticipates a new heaven and a new earth. The risen Christ is making all things new. In the mystery of holy baptism God has made new people of us. Today Jesus invites us to see everyone in a new light—through the lens of love.*



### **Today's Readings**

**Acts 11:1-18** - *In defense of his earlier baptism of non-Jewish believers, Peter demonstrates to the members of the Jerusalem church that God's intention to love Gentiles as well as Jews is revealed in Jesus' testimony. In this way the mission to the Gentiles is officially authorized.*

**Psalms 148** - *The splendor of the Lord is over earth and heaven. (Ps. 148:13)*

**Revelation 21:1-6** - *John's vision shows us that in the resurrection the new age has dawned; God dwells with us already. Yet we wait for the time when the tears that cloud our vision will be wiped away. Then we will see the new heaven, new earth, and new Jerusalem.*

**John 13:31-35** - *After washing the disciples' feet, predicting his betrayal, and then revealing his betrayer, Jesus speaks of his glorification on the cross. This deep complicated love of Jesus, even to death on the cross, will be the distinctive mark of Jesus' community.*

### **St. Paul's Mission Statement**

Rooted in God's unconditional love, the congregation of Saint Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, commits mind, body, spirit, and treasure to encourage all people to become disciples of Christ, to share God's abundance, and to proclaim the Gospel in word and deed.



## Ascension Day Worship

**When:** Thursday, May 26 at 6:30pm

**Where:** St. Andrew's Episcopal Church  
121 High Street  
Mount Holly, NJ 08060

**What:** Join us for Ascension Day worship followed by a dessert potluck. Pastor Hahn is preaching and Father Andrew is presiding. Additional details are still being arranged. You are invited to bring a dessert to share.



*Food  
Pantry  
Needs*

## Food Pantry Collection

Our food pantry collection is ongoing. You can drop food off during office hours or on Saturday or Sunday.

Suggested items for this month are peanut butter, jelly, crackers, single serve macaroni and cheese, pasta and sauce. The shelters are also in need of cloth and paper bags. Thank you for your generosity!

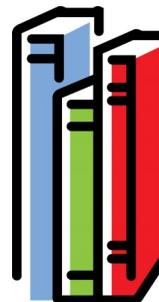
## Lay Eucharistic Ministry



Are you interested in volunteering to visit with our homebound members monthly and share communion with them? This is an excellent way to get to know some of our long-time members of St. Paul's, and to build relationships with those we don't always see each weekend!

Pastor Hahn will coordinate with volunteers for their assignments. Instructions, phone numbers, addresses, and supplies will be provided. Volunteers will report back to Pastor Hahn of any pressing needs or concerns. Please note that the church must conduct a background check for volunteers in accordance with the church's insurance and safety policies. Contact Pastor Hahn if you are interested in serving. We hope to begin visits in late May or early June.

## Youth Book and Bake Sale!



The Book and Bake Sale is back!! Kick-off is June 4/5. The bake sale will be that weekend. Books will remain out for sale for two weeks.

Have books to donate? You can begin dropping off books the week of May 15. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex to donate baked goods for the sale! Thank you!





## Worship Assistant Training

Over the next few weeks, there will be training sessions for Worship Assistant roles. Whether you have filled these roles in the past or would like to learn, we hope you'll join us.

May 15—Communion Assistant/Clicker  
May 22—Altar Guild

Please let Pastor Hahn or Rosanne know if you'd be interested in attending any of these training sessions.

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## Homebound Visits

### Visits to Homebound Members/Friends

Are you a homebound member interested in receiving communion monthly in your home from a church

volunteer? Contact the church office to let us know! Pastor Hahn already spoke to several members during Holy Week visits, but anyone else interested in having someone visit is always encouraged to reach out. Pastor Hahn will continue to visit homebound members approximately 3 times a year, plus additional visits as requested.

## 2022 Church Directory

The new church directory will be published in June.



Please take a look at your information in the directory and contact Rosanne (609-267-0740 or [stpaulslutheran@stpaulsh.org](mailto:stpaulslutheran@stpaulsh.org)) with any changes, corrections, additions or deletions.

Thank you!

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## Red Cross Blood Drives

Please consider giving blood and being a HERO!



Donors who give between May 20—31 receive a 20 oz. Red Cross aluminum water bottle (while supplies last!).

Our next blood drive will be held on *Friday, May 27*. You can sign up at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and use sponsor code St Paul Lutheran Hainesport or email the office at [stpaulslutheran@stpaulsh.org](mailto:stpaulslutheran@stpaulsh.org). Thank you!

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The Rev. Jessica Hahn, Pastor**

**Worship Services:**

**Saturday 5:00 PM  
Sunday 9:00 AM In-Person or  
Livestream on Facebook  
Sunday 11:00 AM**

**Sunday School 10:15 AM  
(September—May)**

**St. Paul's Financial Report**

	<b>March 2022</b>	<b>Actual vs budget</b>
Actual income	\$29,869	-\$9,965
Actual expenses	\$28,453	-\$11,330
Net income	\$1,416	\$1,365
	<b>YTD Total 2022</b>	<b>Actual vs budget</b>
Actual income	\$82,434	-\$37,066
Actual Expenses	\$88,081	-\$31,268
Net income	-\$5,647	-\$5,798

***Keep these folks in your prayers...  
...those who are hospitalized, ill or other:***  
Marilyn Adams, Jeff Alexander, Jacqui Barraclough, Jack Barry, Sandi Berry, Donna Cardillo, Alyssa Corrigan, Monica Dixon, Nancy Dous, Barbara Earl, Carol Lee Eckman, Don Egan, Grace Ezze, Derek Ferrell, Mark Fiveash, Matthew Foltz, George, Earl Gunsalles, Roxanna Hoffman, Irene, Alice Izzo, Natalie Houwen, Marie Kaelin, Michelle Kahler, Alyson Yoos Kelly, Kathy Kennedy, Karen Maier, Colin MacFarland, Joan Marsteller, Greg McFall, Edward McLaughlin, Charles W. McKenna, Gretchen Mize, Nicole Monastero, Kathy Moran, MaryJane Mullen, Marilyn Murray, Leroy Parent, Marilyn Phifer, Lynda Regn, James Rogan, Julia Stanz, Bill Tantum, Meghan Tullos, Arlene Weiss, Donna Wood

***...those who have long-term illnesses:***  
Gerri Burns, Sharon Favaloro, Bob Grover, Theresa Jones, Virginia Sandstrom, Amanda Williams, Violet P. Wise

***are homebound:***  
Elmer Conover, Grace Compton, Fran Craig, Angie DelVecchio, Dewayne Guhn, Eleanor Johnson, John and Rina Johnson, Alice Karis, Gloria Reagoso, Earl Rue, Bob Wolfrom

***...those who mourn***  
The family and friends of Mitch Cramer

***...those in the military or other service:***  
CPL Timothy Robert Ritter, USMC

***...for peace and unity in our own country***

*Please help us keep this list updated. Let the church office know if someone should be removed from this list. (609) 267-0740 or stpaulslutheran@stpaulsh.org.*

**Worship Attendance  
April Attendance  
Livestream Worship—110  
In-Person Worship—106**