

The Epistle

St. Paul Lutheran Church
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Front row, left to right: Maddie Menihan, Cameron Gillen, Eli Naumann, Lillian (niece of Amanda), Amanda Menihan, Vinnie Sandolfini

Back row, left to right: Shelby Sandolfini, Rachel Sampson, Naomi Sandolfini, Steve Gabbert, Ethan Stiles, Ben Erzkus, A.J. Bartlett

Our synod (West Virginia-Western Maryland) does something which may be unique within the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Many ELCA synods have a physical camp site within their territory, and they run camps throughout the summer for different age groups and constituencies. Our synod does not own a camp. Instead, we rent Camp Caesar, a 4-H camp in Cowan, WV, for one week during the summer, and ALL of the children and youth of the synod camp at the same time. This creates a special bond, as campers and staff see each other year



after year, learning and growing together. Camp Luther has existed for over seventy-five years, having begun in 1945, when we were the West Virginia Synod of the United Lutheran Church in America. We have seen two changes of national church body (the ULCA merged into the Lutheran Church in American in 1962, and into the ELCA in 1988) and many changes in the world around us, but Camp Luther continued.

This year was an especially meaningful one, as camp had to be canceled in 2020, and only a skeleton one-day camp was held in 2021. Everyone was so happy to be back, and they even had a special visitor: Mary Roush, the new WV Mountaineer, and a proud Lutheran and Camp Luther alum.

Pictured above is the St. Paul contingent from Camp Luther, June 2022. Cameron, Eli and the Sandolfinis were our campers. Amanda Menihan, formerly of St. Paul, came back from Colorado to be on staff and brought her daughter and niece. Rachel Sampson and the guys in the back are Camp alums who are now on staff. The Camp Luther staff, by the way, are all volunteers, including the director.

We've heard that they all had a great time. We are grateful to God for this ministry of the church in Appalachia.



Council Notes

The Church Council met on June 16th. Here are some highlights of the meeting:

- While Pastor Tony is in the Mojave Desert, we promised not to break anything and keep moving forward! An assortment of pastors, deacons, and lay people will be leading worship during this time
- A sign up list for after-worship coffee hour is in the narthex
- The next church picnic is July 13th, and there will be another on July 28th to coordinate with VBS
 - The solar panel project will proceed; watch for activity
- Council will look into the purchase of new and better hearing devices
 - Octoberfest/125th anniversary celebration will be October 8th

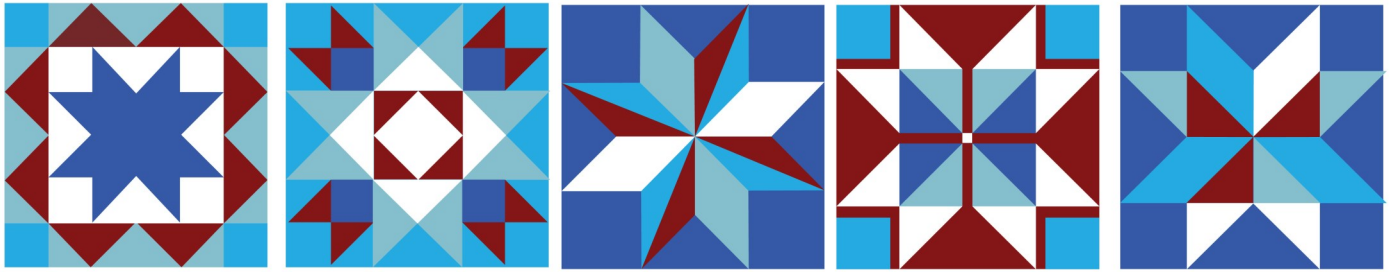
Tuesday Prayer Walks and Bible Study are suspended in July for summer break/pastor's National Guard leave.





**Ascension Day
May 26, 2022**





From the Piece Makers

In the hot days of summer, a good to be in an air-conditioned location among good friends. Such a place is with the Piece Makers on Friday from 10:00 until 2:00. Come and join us and help make quilts for those in other nations. Every year WELCA distributes hundreds of thousands of quilts to those in need. The Piece Makers at St. Paul are privileged to be a part of this mission and welcome others to join us. No need to have knowledge of quilting or being a member of St. Paul. We are really in need of your help!

We will have summer social cookouts on July 13th (rain date the 14th), and July 28th (coordinating with Vacation Bible School).



Meats and drinks will be provided. Bring a side dish or dessert if you wish.



JULY	
Bathrooms	
Kitchen	
Stairwells	J. Seasholtz
Vacuum and Sweep Upstairs	Sandolfini
Sweep Downstairs	

Please help! Sign up to take care of cleaning chore during July

Christian Formation



Vacation Bible School for children aged 4 through 5th grade will be held July 24-28. Registration forms are available at the church.

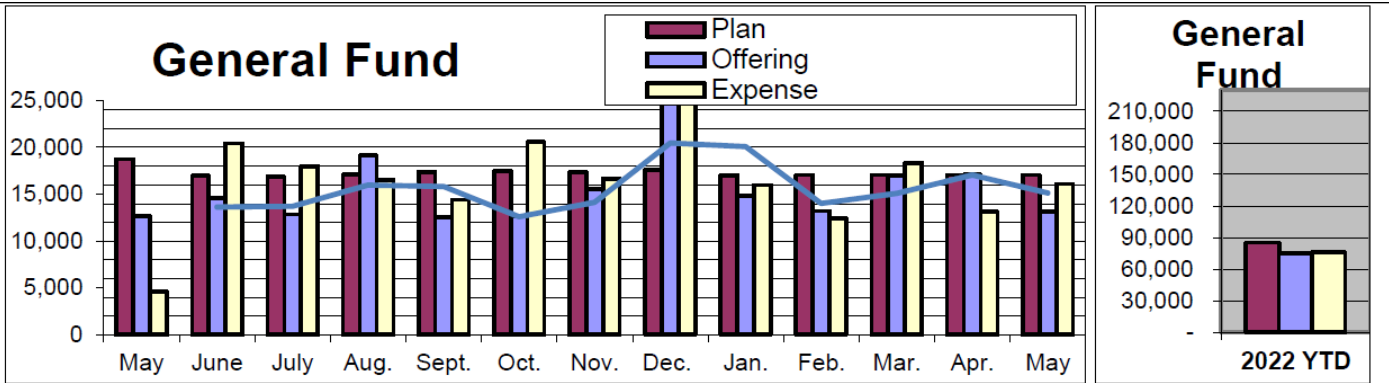
Are you able to sponsor an after-worship coffee hour? You need only provide a few snacks and make the coffee.

A sign-up list is available in the church entry, or contact the church office.



thank you

Thanks to our faithful cleaners who sign up every month



	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May
General	102,299	108,028	101,838	116,900	98,623	99,657	99,657	37,858	48,185	38,232	34,348	98,868	97,569
Plan	18,741	16,988	16,863	17,113	17,363	17,488	17,363	17,613	17,010	17,070	17,070	17,070	17,070
Offering	12,696	14,575	12,878	19,116	12,546	12,656	15,585	25,373	14,819	13,226	17,003	17,087	13,195
Expense	4,567	20,425	17,965	16,525	14,418	20,591	16,692	26,381	15,988	12,457	18,357	13,144	16,087
Restricted	41,659	42,215	41,736	28,170	40,623	33,768	46,296	101,952	105,955	109,295	109,622	50,024	49,431
Bank Balance	143,958	150,243	143,574	145,070	139,246	142,491	145,953	139,810	154,140	147,527	143,970	148,892	147,000



Greetings from your new treasurer. I'd like to point out that I am rapidly learning the job and there is more to it than I imagined. I guess this is why so many of you refused to take on the position. That said, I am putting together a treasurer's manual, expanding from what Debby left me. The May treasurer report is above in graphic form and it is typical for the year. One thing to note is the variation in amounts on the Restricted line. This variation is mostly a reporting variation and I am reviewing previous reports to see if they can be formed into a more consistent report, and have had some success with that. If there are any questions, feel free to ask and I will seek out the answer, also part of my education. We also have a new finance committee with excellent people: Carol Henry, Barbara Parsons, and Tom Witt, all with much more experience than me and great advisors.

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Thank you!



Serving in



SERVING ST PAUL July 2022	LAY ASSISTANT	LECTOR	USHERS	ACOLYTES	COUNTERS	ZOOM
3rd 10:00 AM	J. Lemasters	M. Boroff	L. Springer	*****	****	C. Wertz
10th 10:00 AM	J. Lemasters	S. McEwuen	D. Custer	****	W. Graham J. Seasholtz	S. Setley
17th 10:00 AM	M. Sampson	T. Riegel	T. Riegel	G. Riegel	****	Peters
24th 10:00 AM	M. Haas	S. Setley	W. Graham	Sandolfini	M. Suder L. Naumann	M. Boroff
31st 10:00 AM	S. McEwuen	J. Lemasters	L. Springer	E. Naumann	****	M. Boroff



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 10:00 AM Piecemakers	2
3 10:00 AM Worship Service	4	5	6	7	8 10:00 AM Piecemakers	9
10 10:00 AM Worship Service	11	12	13 6:00 PM Cookout Social	14 Rain date for Social	15 10:00 AM Piecemakers	16
17 10:00 AM Worship Service	18	19	20	21 7:00 PM Council	22 10:00 AM Piecemakers	23
24 10:00 AM Worship Service 3:30 PM Circle of Friends Vacation Bible School 4:30 PM	25 8:00 AM Lutheran Men in Mission Vacation Bible School 4:30 PM	26 Vacation Bible School 4:30 PM	27 Vacation Bible School 4:30 PM	28 Vacation Bible School 4:30 PM Cookout Social 6:00 PM	29 10:00 AM Piecemakers Black Bears Game 7:05 PM	30
31 10:00 AM Worship Service						

The Prayer List for St. Paul

Person for whom we intercede:

Roger Dalton
 Amy Wilson
 Ed Noel
 Richele Brecht
 Gianna Torres
 Chrissy Denning
 Roberta Ross
 Nancy Cushing Thielmann
 Brian & Dawn Fox
 Anika McFerron
 Kelsey & Caroline Burrow
 Sherry Fox
 Jack Britton
 William Slaughter
 Robert McFedries
 Paul Worley
 Greg Baniak
 Fred Meyer
 Chuck Biser
 Mary Ann Coffee
 Matthew Frownfelter
 Frank Cluster
 Carol Magnuson
 Bill Sorenson
 Paul Smith
 William L. Ross
 Jennie Robinson
 Jennifer M
 Lori McEwuen Pignatelli
 Sonny Cockerel
 Denver DeWitt
 Tom DeVault
 Sharon Hemmann
 Hanna Procell
 Stephen Aitken
 Betty Seasholtz
 Jean Holter
 Mike Kirkparick

Mary Worley

Victoria Sickles
 Jeannine Daley
 Lee Paulson
 Milan Roh

For what we are praying:

Illness
 Cancer
 Cancer
 RA and migraines
 Speech therapy
 Cancer
 Cancer
 Cancer
 Preparing to adopt
 Therapy
 Illness
 Speech therapy
 Heart surgeries
 Illness
 Surgery
 Cancer/hospice
 Cancer
 Cancer & stroke therapy
 Illness/healing
 Cancer
 Injury/surgery
 Healing
 Illness
 Illness
 Illness
 Illness
 Long term Covid
 Cancer
 Auto accident

 Premature birth
 Heart issues
 Surgery
 Surgery
 Cancer
 Hospitalization
 Shoulder surgery
 Knee surgery

 Comfort in grief to family and friends

Homebound
 Homebound
 Homebound
 Homebound



Prayer list continued

Justin Kirkpatrick
Brian Fox
Trevor Davison
Justin Izzo
Garrett Burrow
Becca Camp
Aaron Price
Cayla Groft
Jack Carlile

Military active duty
Military active duty
Stationed in CA
Stationed in NJ
Active duty
Stationed in LA
Stationed in AL
Stationed in Guam
Stationed in Kuwait



To add a name to the prayer list, please call the office at 304-599-0620.

There is also a book for prayer requests in the narthex (entry).

Please check the prayer list for names which you have submitted, and let the church office know if a person can be taken off the list.



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