

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH OF RED LION

11th Sunday After Pentecost-Communion

August 4, 2024 – Pastor Chris Nauta

*Please stand as able

Welcome & Life at St. Paul's (Announcements)

Prelude: "You Are My All In All" Jernigan/Moon

***Greeting**

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Create in us clean hearts, O God.

And renew a right spirit within us.

Restore us to the joy of salvation,

And uphold us with a willing spirit.

***Opening Hymn:** "Come Sinners, to the Gospel Feast" #339
(Ushers will collect Prayer Requests during this time)

Prayers of the People of God / The Apostle's Creed #881

Holy Communion : Prayer of Confession #890
: Communion Liturgy # 9

Children's Message: "Jesus and the Little Children" Andrea Rider

The Giving of God's Tithes and Offerings -

Offertory: "Just As I Am" Elliott/Bradbury

***The Doxology** #94

***Prayer of Dedication**

Scripture Lessons: First Lesson: 2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a

Epistle: Ephesians 4:1-16

***Gloria Patri** #70

***Gospel Lesson:** John 6:24-35

***Congregational Response: "Thanks be to God and Amen".**

Sermon: "Holding Each Other Accountable"

***Closing Hymn:** "Forward Through the Ages" #555

***Benediction**

Postlude: "Grace Alone" Brown/Nelson

Children's Worship today - children may go with Andrea Rider following the Children's Message.

Today's altar flowers

are to the honor and glory of God! Let their complex make-up remind us that we, as God's children, are all going to be held accountable to Him for what we have or have not done, so let's make this a beautiful world where we can!

Those who serve this morning:

Jim Loyer, Scripture Reader

Matt Maskaly & Timothy Nauta, *Sound/Video*

Andrea Rider, *Children's Message & Worship*

Bob Strickler, *Organ*

Just a reminder that you can submit prayer requests online through our website (www.saintpaulsredlion.com). On the home page you will find a link to submit an online prayer request. When you fill out and submit it, the office and pastor will be notified about it. This is open to all, even those who are not a part of our church family.

Children & Youth Programs for 2024 – In addition to a descriptive Flyer, there are Sign-up Forms for these different programs on the tables in the rear of the sanctuary for your convenience.

Live-streaming of St. Paul's services- There are instructions that detail how you can access this feature through YouTube on your computer, phone, tablet or smart TV on the table at the rear of the sanctuary.

Food Trucks will be here on our parking lot on August 7th – from 5:30-7:30 PM. Vendors scheduled are Stoney Burgers, Creative Crepes and Taco Bus.

Red Lion Street Fair – Saturday, August 10, 2024.

Once again, we will be having our annual Parking Lot of Fun from 9AM until 1 PM. This year, we will be doing different activities and are in need of volunteers. You will find sign-up sheets for volunteers on the tables at the back of the sanctuary. Please consider volunteering an hour of your time on that day. Contact Andrea if you have any questions at 717-449-9942 or andreastpaulschurch@gmail.com. Thank you!

We continue to welcome Pastor Chris back with us in today's service! please keep him in your prayers as he heals from his hip surgery. He will still need God's healing power to be upon him as he regains his strength and mobility in the weeks ahead.

Building Maintenance work – Wednesday, July 24th, Houck Services completed re-roofing the center tower and re-covering the HVAC ductwork on the adult SS roof. As of August 2nd, they have replaced the section of rusted out rain gutter and downspout at the rear of the building. In addition, they have assisted us in clearing out all the heavy metal debris left under the carillon when it was dismantled and will be checking that rubber roof for any damage done by that debris and making repairs as needed. There are still several other small areas around windows that they need to address and seal up where water is getting inside. We are very blessed to have this company here – they have been super to work with and have respected our building and kept things cleaned up as they went, plus they take pride in what they do!

Please note – we will not be collecting school supplies this year. We have a number of Back Packs left from last year and will use them this year. Thank you to all who faithfully donate to this project each year. We hope to see you next year!

Rescheduled Leadership Council Meeting-our postponed July 29th meeting has been rescheduled for Tuesday, August 13th at 7:00 PM in the lounge. All members are urged to attend if possible. Thank you.

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PASTOR CHRISTOPHER NAUTA

11th Sunday After Pentecost / Communion

August 4, 2024 10:00 AM



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Volunteer Opportunities for you.....

Flower and Bulletin Sponsors for 2024—The 2024 sign-up register is in the church office on the desk if you want to reserve a date for the balance of the year. A 2-set of altar vases is still just \$40.00 and bulletin sponsorship is \$25.00. Please consider sponsoring a Sunday to honor or memorialize someone special in your life.

Ushers & Head Ushers, Greeters and Scripture Readers are needed for our worship service each week. Both ladies and gentlemen are welcome to participate and new faces are always welcome. There are sign-up sheets on the table at the rear of the sanctuary where you can sign up for any of these. Please consider helping out with these portions of our service so that our program is complete. Thank you.

Card Ministry – our visitation team has placed some cards in a box on the table at the rear of the sanctuary which you are encouraged to add a brief note in and sign for our shut-ins. St. Paul's will then put postage on these and mail them to brighten up their day between visits by our Pastor and the Visitation Team. While there may not always be cards there each week, please check the box regularly and write in them when there are some available. Won't you help to brighten up someone's day a little? Nothing to buy, but much to give someone for so little effort!

An added feature to our website – under the Online Giving category, a "miscellaneous" option has been added. This feature can now be used if you wish to pay online for flowers, sandwich sales, special events – anything that is apart from the standard items listed there now. Please note that you will need to call or email the church office to let us know what the payment is for, as there isn't a way to indicate this information online. Thank you.

Prayer Requests Reminder—If you have a prayer request you would like to share with Pastor Chris and/or the congregation, please fill out one of the cards located in the pews and hand it to one of the ushers during the opening hymn. The card also has a side where you can indicate if you want the request spoken in the service, or kept for private prayer time, please be sure to mark that as well.

Adult Sunday School- Join us Sunday mornings for our Adult Sunday School class. From 9:00 to 9:40 AM, we meet in the Lounge. We are reading and discussing the book of Luke. Please let Pastor Chris know if you are interested or have questions.

Do you enjoy knitting, crocheting or sewing? You can put those skills to work to help others. Memorial White Rose Hospice is asking for donations of handmade scarves and blankets. They are especially in need of items for men. Veterans in particular love to receive anything in red, white and blue.

Another project is making soaker pads for the residents of Homewood Homes in Hanover. All you need to make them is a sewing machine, some flannel fabric and the ability to sew a straight (or almost straight) seam. Instructions and samples can be found on the table at the rear of the sanctuary.

If you don't have the time or the ability to make any of these items, but would like to donate yarn or flannel for others to use, that would be most welcome also.

There is a box at the rear of the sanctuary for you to put your donations of supplies or completed items. If you have any questions, see Emily Shellenberger or Wanda Strickler. Thank you very much.

Please Note- Wi-Fi access in the church is now available via the St. Paul's Guest network. There is no password required.

Dumpster Update- our waste hauler, Republic Services, was approached about repositioning our dumpster in another direction so that if cars are parked there, we did not have to worry about their truck getting to it. They agreed and the unit has been turned towards N. Charles St. This enables their truck to come in the alley off of N. Charles and access the dumpster from there without coming in from the parking lot side, making things easier for everybody all around.

An update on the Upper Room devotionals – Now that we have received a quantity of a 90-day Introductory Edition of Our Daily Bread devotional for your use, and have set up a subscription with them, The Upper Room has responded back to us in a letter that they are going to resume our subscription with them. They said some glitch in their ordering system was at fault that deleted their automatic shipments to existing customers. So, before too long, we should have both the Daily Bread and The Upper Room devotionals here. Please let the church office know which one you prefer, or if you want to have both available to choose from. Thank you for your patience on this delay and "glitch".

When mailing something into the church, here is an example of how our address should appear on the envelope or package coming to us:

**St Paul's Church of Red Lion
45 First Ave
P O Box 250
Red Lion, PA 17356-0250**

If the P. O. Box # is not in the address, your mail will be returned to you by the Post Office, causing delays and added re-mailing costs. Thank you for keeping this in mind as you send correspondence into St. Paul's.

The church office is requesting your help- if you know of a member of St. Paul's, or have a family member that is confined at home or to a health care facility, please make the office aware of this and where they are located. We have been trying to keep this list up-to-date, but do not want to overlook anyone or have incorrect information at hand. This list will be used for Pastor/member visitation, bulletin mailings (if asked for) and correspondence from St. Paul's - all to keep these folks connected to what's going on here. If these folks would like to receive a copy of the weekly bulletin, or Our Daily Bread and/or Upper Room devotional, let us know that as well and we will see that these are mailed to them. Also, if you would like to be a part of the visitation team here at St. Paul's, please see Pastor Chris or let the church office know. Joni Horne and Mary Loyer have volunteered for this team. ***Also, please let the church office know if you have a family member that would like a visit from St. Paul's Pastor or the Visitation Team and we will see that info is passed along.*** Thank you.

The Congregational Meeting held July 21st – there were 36 voting members that attended. Of those, 28 voted for approving the By Laws as presented, 2 voted against approval, and 6 abstained. Using our stipulated 2/3 majority benchmark (which would require at least 24 approving), the motion passed. We now have a workable document to administer our church with, but this is a fluid document that will continue to need to adapt to our needs and requirements as we change as a church. We thank all who worked on this document for their time and efforts in putting it all together.

Copies of the July 21, 2024 Congregational Meeting are available on the tables at the rear of the sanctuary for your reference.

This Week's Activities at St. Paul's

Today: Adult Sunday School 9-9:40 AM (lounge)
Worship 10:00 AM 11th Sunday after Pentecost - Communion

Monday, Aug. 5th: Preschool Play & Learn 9:00 AM

Tuesday, Aug. 6th : Tutoring 9-10:00 AM (lounge)
Preschool Play & Learn 9:00 AM

Wednesday, Aug. 7th : Preschool Play & Learn 9:00 AM
Food Trucks 6-8:00 PM (Parking Lot)
Troop – Camp Craley (unless weather is bad)

Thursday, Aug. 8th: Tutoring 9-10:00 AM (lounge)
Preschool Play & Learn 9:00 AM
R.L. Ministerium Meeting 10:00 AM (adult SS)
Troop Committee Meeting 6:30 PM (lounge)

Friday, Aug. 9th: Preschool Play & Learn 9:00 AM

Saturday, Aug. 10th: **Red Lion Street Fair**
Troop 28 Pancake Breakfast 7-10:30 AM (FH)
St. Paul's Parking Lot-Games, Crafts & Snacks
9 AM-1 PM

Sunday, Aug. 11th: Adult Sunday School 9-9:40 AM (lounge)
Worship 10:00 AM – 12th Sunday After Pentecost

Large print versions of today's bulletin are located on the back of the last pew at the rear of the sanctuary to the right side of the center aisle for your convenience. Please feel free to take one.

For those who give electronically, but would like to have something to put into the offering plate, there are cards on the table and the pedestal stand at the rear of the sanctuary for your convenience.

Just a reminder that St. Paul's still offers various Gift Cards for sale. Order Forms for these are on the tables at the rear of the sanctuary for your convenience. A portion of each sale comes back to St. Paul's. See Wanda Strickler with any questions. Thank you!