

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH OF RED LION

1st Sunday After Christmas

December 29, 2024 – Pastor Chris Nauta

**Please stand as able*

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

Prelude: "Himno A La Alegria (A Song of Joy)" Parker/Waldo De Los Rios

***Greeting**

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Let us praise the name of the Lord.

For God's name alone is exalted.

Let all creation sing the glory of God's name!

Praise the Lord!

***Opening Hymn:** "Good Christian Friends Rejoice" #224
(Ushers will collect Prayer Requests during this time)

Prayers of the People of God / The Lord's Prayer (using debts/debtors)

Children's Message: "Colors of Christmas: **Gold** (Kingly)" Andrea Rider

The Giving of God's Tithes and Offerings -

Offertory: "O Thou Joyful Day" Sicilian Hymn

***The Doxology** #94

***Prayer of Dedication**

Scripture Lessons: Old Testament: 1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26

Epistle: Colossians 3:12-17

***Gloria Patri** #70

***Gospel Lesson:** Luke 2:41-52

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

***Hymn:** "There's A Song in the Air" #249

Sermon: "Doing Everything for my Lord"

***Closing Hymn:** "Go Tell It On the Mountain" #251

***Benediction**

Postlude: "Here We Come Awassailing" Traditional

Children's Worship/Activities this morning. Children may go with Andrea Rider following the Children's Message.

Today's altar and pedestal flowers

are to the glory of God! May they inspire us to do everything in our daily lives to His glory and honor!

The white rosebud

on the altar remembers and honors the life of Edwin (Ed) Brown who passed away Christmas Day. Please keep Joyce and her family in your thoughts and prayers.

Those who serve this morning:

Matt Maskaly & Timothy Nauta, *Sound/Video*

Heath Pawlak, *Music Director*

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.

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.

Sunday School Teen Class continues to meet in the sanctuary from 9:00 – 9:40 AM. Please see the flyers on the table at the rear of the sanctuary for more information. Contact Becky Nauta with further questions/inquiries.

Our 2025 Offering Envelopes are out on the table at the rear of the sanctuary ready for pick-up. They are in alphabetical order. As in previous years, if you see a relative's or a neighbor's, consider taking them along and dropping them off to them. They would probably appreciate the thought and the visit!

The January-February 2025 issue of The Upper Room and the January-February-March 2025 issue of Our Daily Bread devotionals are out on the desk at the rear of the sanctuary, as well as the literature table inside the center tower entrance for your convenience.

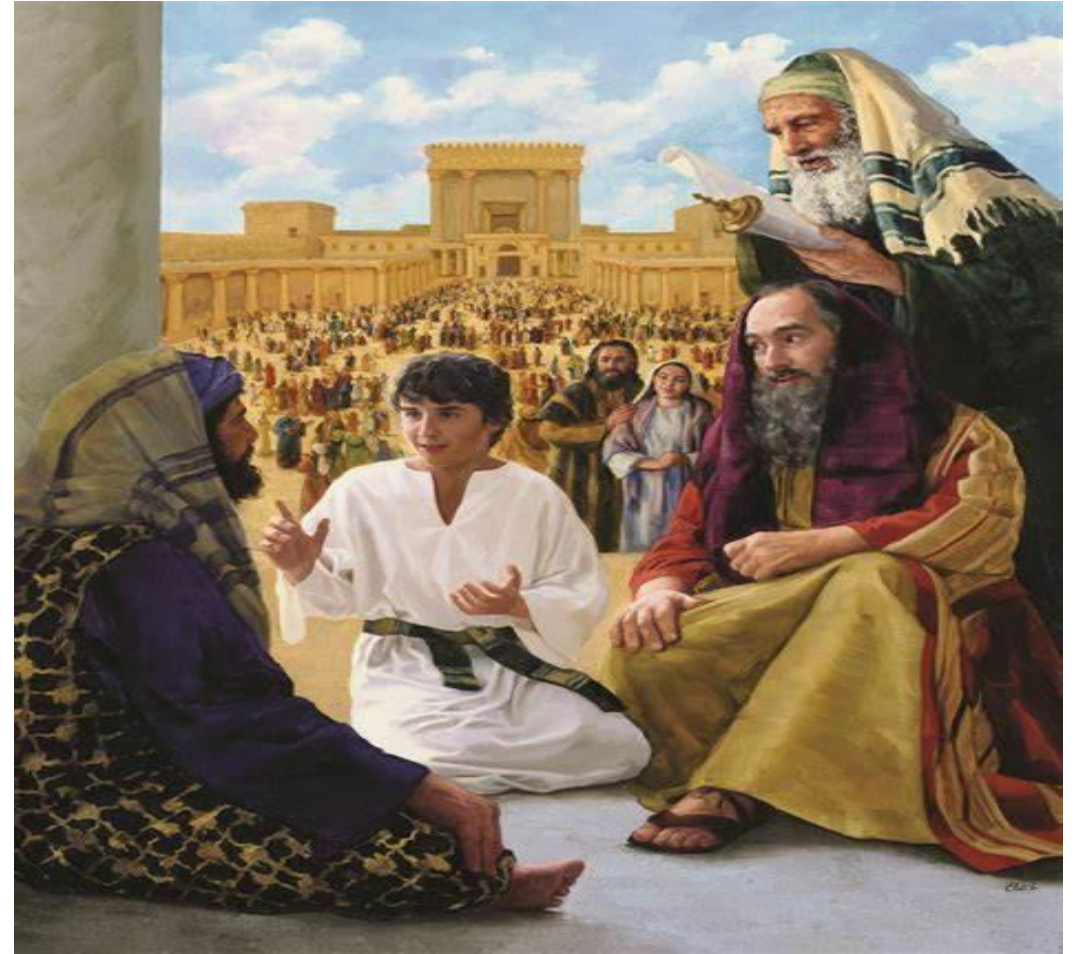
St. Paul's Church – I would like to create a team of congregation members to work with me to plan and implement programs for the children and youth of St. Paul's Church. All are welcome to be a part of the team. Please call me at 717-449-9942 or email me at andreastpaulschurch@gmail.com if you have any questions or would like to join the team. Please know that you are never too old to impact a child's life and faith journey. Thank you!
Andrea Rider

Be sure to mark your calendar – Pack 28 will be having their annual Cake Auction here on Tuesday, January 21, 2025, starting at 6 PM in Fellowship Hall. This is one of their important fundraisers of the year, so please consider attending and bidding on a cake (or two) for a good cause! Watch for more info to come in your bulletin in the coming weeks . Thank you.

This afternoon, an open house will be held to express your condolences to the family of Edwin (Ed) Brown from 2:00-4:00 PM at the Wagner-Elfner & Burg Funeral Home on W. Broadway. Ed passed away on Christmas Day surrounded by his family.

Greetings! *The staff of St. Paul's would like to extend a wish for all of St. Paul's Church to experience the peace and love of God the Father and Jesus the Son this Christmas season. We are grateful for all of the well-wishes received and we are thankful for your continued support over the year. May the Good Lord bless and keep you as we begin 2025!*

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH OF RED LION
45 FIRST AVE., P.O. BOX 250 – RED LION, PA 17356
PASTOR CHRISTOPHER NAUTA
1st Sunday After Christmas
December 29, 2024 10:00 AM



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Pastor Chris Nauta – PastorChrisNauta@gmail.com Cell phone: 570-529-3466
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Website – www.saintpaulsredlion.com

Volunteer Opportunities for you.....

Flower and Bulletin Sponsors—The 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

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.

Card Ministry – our visitation team continues to place 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 the request is to be spoken or kept private.

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.

Mission Central is asking for monetary donations to prepare Flood Buckets and other essentials to be sent to the areas hit by hurricane Helene and now Milton. Another support agency that is appealing for help for the flood victims is **UMCOR**. Please remember these folks in their time of need – they need our help! If you care to contribute to either of these agencies, checks can be made out to St. Paul's Church of Red Lion and in the memo line, specify which organization you want it to be directed to. St. Paul's will then direct these funds to that agency. Thank you.

For your calendar - upcoming meetings/events to make note of:

Monday, Jan. 13 – Summer Fundraiser Meeting 6:30 PM (lounge)

Thursday, Jan. 16 – Worship Team 7:00 PM (lounge)

Monday, Jan. 20 - Leadership Team 7:00 PM (lounge)

Saturday, Jan. 25 – Soup Making for Fundraiser Time TBA (Kitchen)

Sunday, Jan. 26 – Distribution of Soups TBA

Fundraiser – The results of the survey are in. The “big” fundraiser will be in the Summer time. With that being said, first thank you for everyone who participated in the survey and second I have scheduled the following dates for meeting times to start the planning process for activities, ideas, etc. Please consider coming to the following meetings on January 13, 2025 @6:30 PM and February 10, 2025 @6:30 PM, both in the lounge.

Our next fundraiser will be a soup fundraiser, we will open this to the church congregation only for sales. Our goal is that everyone would be able to sell 10 soups. The soup flavors will be chicken corn and ham & bean. After we receive the orders depending on the amounts we will consider opening it up to the public and posting on community social media pages for sales as well and or offering sales during the Community meal. Reach out to Megan Jamison with questions or concerns @ 717-818-0258. See the updated flyer/order form in today’s bulletin.

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.

New Years Eve Pork & Sauerkraut Dinner – We need helpers for seating people, in the kitchen to cook, to help serve and for clean-up after the dinner. **Also, we want to offer home-made cakes and pies for dessert, so we need lots of cakes and pies baked or provided!** Please consider helping with this outreach event that has been so popular over the years here at St. Paul’s. See Wanda Strickler to volunteer to help or to bake, or with any questions you may have.

A reminder - we will be pulling the pork for the meal tomorrow, December 30th at 3 PM for those who have volunteered to help with this. Thank you!

This Week’s Activities at St. Paul’s

Today: Adult Sunday School 9-9:40 AM (lounge)
Teen Sunday School 9-9:40 AM (sanctuary)
Worship 10:00 AM 1st Sunday After Christmas

Monday, Dec. 30th: **No** Preschool
Pulling Pork for New Years Eve Supper 3:00 PM (kitchen)

Tuesday, Dec. 31st: **No** Preschool
No Cub Scouts
NEW YEARS EVE SUPPER 5-7 PM (FH)

Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2025: **Happy New Year!**

Thursday, Jan. 2nd: Preschool 9:00 AM

Friday, Jan. 3rd: Preschool 9:00 AM

Saturday, Jan. 4th:

Sunday, Jan. 5th: Adult Sunday School 9-9:40 AM (lounge)
Teen Sunday School 9-9:40 AM (sanctuary)
Worship 10:00 AM Epiphany Sunday/Communion Sunday

Large Print Bulletins are available on the back of the last pew along the center aisle at the rear of the sanctuary for your convenience.

We continue to recycle empty ink and toner cartridges for credit towards office supplies. There are collection boxes located on the table at the rear of the sanctuary, as well as under the literature table in the center tower entrance to place these. Thank you for your support!

Don’t forget – St. Paul’s still offers gifts cards for sale. Order forms that list what’s available are on the tables at the rear of the sanctuary for your convenience. A portion of each sale comes back to St. Paul’s. All of these spend just like any other gift card does and contains the full \$\$ amount as marked.

In Honor Of:

Pastor Chris, Becky, Jean &

Timothy Nauta

Our Grandchildren, Lyra, Ryann,

Harper, Remy, & Channing

Our Children & Grandchildren

Presented By:

Church Staff

Lynne & Charles (Hap) McDaniel

Bob & Wanda Strickler

If you would, kindly leave your poinsettias in place until the 11 PM Christmas Eve service is over so that everyone attending either Christmas Eve service can see the beauty they have added to our sanctuary again this year. Thank you.

There are plastic sleeves available on the front pew (closest to the adult Sunday school room) to cover your plant to take it home. Please help yourself.



CHRISTMAS, 2024

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH OF RED LION

45 FIRST AVE., P.O. BOX 250

RED LION, PA 17356-0250

In Memory Of:

Loved Ones
Kevin Wallen
Jean Newcomer
Thomas Ferguson
Parents, Joyce and Lee Seitz
Brother, Scott Seitz
Cathy & Steve Jamison's
Parents
Our Parents
Ron and Peg Shirey &
Doris and Charles McDaniel

Presented By:

Delores Chronister and Family
Kim Chronister and Family
Kim Chronister and Family
Susan Stump Ferguson
Joni Horne
Joni Horne
The Jamison Family
Mary & Jim Loyer
Lynne & Charles (Hap) McDaniel

In Memory Of:

Mary Shaub
Dolly Ann Emig
Thomas Minnich
James (Dick)Nauta
Margaret & Elmer Sechrist, parents;
and Ken Sechrist, brother
Jim Ratliff, Husband
Dale L. Shellenberger
Our Parents

Presented By:

Lynne & Charles (Hap) McDaniel
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Louise Minnich
Chris & Becky Nauta
Jeanne Ratliff
Jeanne Ratliff
Luke & Emily Shellenberger
Bob & Wanda Strickler



In Memory Of:

Dr. Emerson & Doris Shelley
& son Kenneth

Luther & Edna Shelley &
Daughters Joan & Donna

Dale L. Shellenberger

Kathryn & Bill Phillips

Our Friends at St. Paul's
who are no longer with us

Larry Warner

Given By:

Jeffrey & Betsy,
Eric & Gwen Shelley

Niece, Miriam

Your Wife Sandy & Your Family

Your Daughter Sandy & Family

Bob & Wanda Strickler

Wife, Dawn and Daughters
Lori and Missy

Year-End Gift:

St. Paul's Church

Given By:

Susan Zarfos



*The
Greatest
Gift*

**TREE OF LIGHTS
DEDICATIONS
2024**

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH OF RED LION
45 FIRST AVE., P.O. BOX 250
RED LION, PA 17356-0250

In Honor Of:

Our Minister & Heath Pawlak,
Our new Music Director

Mildred Frey

Doris Keller

Our Friends at St. Paul's

In Memory Of:

Our Parents

Dale Chronister

Bertha & Fritz Collins

Kevin Wallen

Jean Newcomer

Galen Stump

Janet & Sterling Stump

W. James Frey

Given By:

Joyce & Ed Brown

Jackie Frey

Gayle, Kathy, Lisa &
Their Families

Bob & Wanda Strickler

Given By:

Harold & Nancy Anderson

Delores Chronister & Family

Delores Chronister & Family

Kim Chronister

Kim Chronister

Brent Stump and
Susan Ferguson Stump

Brent Stump and
Susan Ferguson Stump

Jackie Frey

In Memory Of:

S. Maurice Grove

Husband, Joseph Helock

In Honor/Memory of Our Parents &
Grandparents

Thomas Minnich

Almeda and Harold Myers

J. Richard Nauta

Marlin Neff

Dean Overmiller

Pete Keller, Sr. &
Pete Keller, Jr.

Glenn Shellenberger

Nolan & Dora Shellenberger

William & Eleanor Shelley

James & Yvonne Groff & daughter,
Sherie Horne

Ammon & Eileen Shelley,
Sons John & Alan (wife Lois)

Given By:

Janet Grove

Jean Helock

The Jamison Family (Steve,
Cathy, Andrew & Megan)

Louise Minnich

Janice Myers

Jean Nauta

His Wife Arlene and Family

Charlotte Overmiller & Family

Gayle, Kathy, Lisa & Their
Families

Miriam & Family

The Shellenberger Family

Daughter Miriam & Family

Sister, Aunt Miriam & Family


Niece, Miriam

Soup Sale Announcement!

Starting **TODAY, December 22**, and running through **January 5, 2025**, we are thrilled to offer our delicious, homemade soups for sale!

Important Dates:

- **Order Period:** December 22, 2024 – January 5, 2025
- **Soup-Making Days:** January 25–26, 2025

 Choose from our 2, flavorful options, perfect for warming up your winter days!

How to Order:

Find the **order form in your bulletin** and fill it out to secure your soups. Be sure to submit your form by January 5, 2025.

Support the Cause:

After the holidays, on **January 12, 2025**, there will be **two ways to sign up for donations of food items** to help with the cost of making the soups:

1. Paper sign-up forms will be available in the back of the church.
2. Online sign-up(link to be provided).

After the soup order time period has closed, we will use that week (Jan 6-10) to put together amounts of ingredients based off of orders to give a better idea of how much we will need.

Special Thanks:

A big thank you to **Emily** for putting together the order form and to everyone who has already reached out with questions and orders. Your enthusiasm and support mean so much!

Mark Your Calendars:

On **January 25–26, 2025**, we'll be putting together the soups, and we'll need volunteers to help make it happen. This will be more than just a workday—it's an opportunity for **congregational building** as we come together as a team. Let's make soup and memories!

Don't miss out—stock up on your favorites and join us in making this soup season the best one yet!

Also, our first meeting for the big fundraiser will be January 13th, @ 630. There are 2 topics up for discussion—first is establishing a date and second is starting to brainstorm activities for kids, adults, food ideas, etc. Please consider coming and your participation means so much to help make this successful.

ST. PAUL'S SOUP SALE

How about some homemade soup crafted with love to enjoy on a cold day?
 You can also grab a few extras to stock your freezer to enjoy later.

Chicken Corn Soup or Ham and Bean Soup \$10 per 32 oz. container Delivery Date: January 27th

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