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Sunday Schedule

- Early Communion Service • 8:00 AM
- Sunday Church School • 9:15 AM
- Contemporary Service • 9:15 AM
- Traditional Service • 10:30 AM

Church Office Hours

Monday - Friday • 8 AM - 1 PM; 1:30 - 4:30 PM

The Upper Perkiomen Child Care Center

- a ministry of St. Paul's

Weekdays: Mon - Fri • 6:30 AM - 6:00 PM
infant, toddler, 3 & 4 yrs, Pre-K, 6-12 yrs

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~ STATEMENT OF MISSION ~

St. Paul's, a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, is a gathering of God's people called to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ. To fulfill our mission we are committed to be a faith community that:

- invites and welcomes others to share in the ministry of this church;
- gathers in joyful thanksgiving to be nourished by God's gifts of Word and Sacrament;
- promotes daily discipleship of its members by following Christ's example;
- provides a variety of opportunities for making Christ's love known through worship, education, fellowship, service, and the stewardship of God's gifts;
- responds to Christ's call for justice and peace in our community and world.

Partners in Mission in the Body of Christ

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	Sandy Young, After-School	679-0221

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Barry Troxel	Debbie Turofski, <i>Vice President</i>
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Alcoholics Anonymous	Wednesday at 8:00 PM	
Altar Guild	Bonnie Thomas	679-5553
Appalachia Service Project	Larry Weiss	679-9632
Cemetery Association	Henry Thomas	679-2902
Cherub Choir	Patricia Klinger	610.265-3869
Christian Education	Patricia Klinger	610.265-3869
Finance	Charles Shagg	679-2083
Evangelism		
Kitchen	Donna Stever	679-7521
Men's Fellowship	church office	679-5553
Music Committee	Mr. Reiner Mauer	679-6886
Narcotics Anonymous	Sunday at 8:00 PM	
Newsletter - Vision	Church Office	679-5553
Prison Ministry	Bonnie Bonser	679-9126
Property	Frank Grim	679-5553
Stewardship Committee	Rbt. Foreman, S. Rose, Rbt. Walp	
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Cub Scouts	Ed Moreland	215-892-3174
Youth Team	Kelly Le	
sko/Vicar		679-5553

April Birthdays

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|----|--|----|---|
| 1 | Camille Marion
Karen Schaffer
Chris Sole | 19 | Timothy Rom |
| 3 | Clark Walter
Claude Walter | 21 | Jason Cathers
Jeffrey Gery
Maria Grim
Jamie Schoenly |
| 4 | Alyssa Arndt
Shirley Brey
Amy Butz
John Karver
Patricia Martin | 22 | Ann Mack |
| 5 | Leigh Hansen
Joanne Hersh
Kelly Sell
Michael Wimmer | 23 | Sarah Hitchcock
Gene Woehr
Donald Yerger |
| 7 | Byran Pijanowski
Tanner Seislove
Kimberlee Wilson | 24 | Christle Brown |
| 8 | Gary Hager
Reiner Mauer
Carrie Wolf | 25 | Ryan Gargas
Joan Murphy
Kristchan Walker |
| 9 | Marcus Kline | 26 | Jessica Christman
Carol Seislove
Brandon Taylor |
| 10 | Brayden Horrocks
Grace Long | 27 | Virginia Dale
Alex Foreman
Pamela Palencar
Craig Himmelwright |
| 12 | Matthew Koder
Lauren Ricipito
Kelsey Sheeran
Jon Walter | 28 | Allison Thomas
Rebecca Rose
Eric Thompson |
| 14 | Nathaniel Landis
Julianna LaSalle | 29 | Karen Feldmose
Mildred Sell |
| 15 | Dee Jordan
Jenna Langenbach
Colin Zyke | 30 | Jay Bowyer
Barbara Green
Donna Jenkins
Sandra Landis
Ryan Schantz |
| 16 | Donald Breyer
Cole Fryer
Logan Fryer
Paul Sell
Arlene Smoll | | |
| 17 | Jamie Gery
April Miller | | |
| 18 | Nicholas Hager
Quint Hansen
Debra Hilmer
Bonnie Thomas | | |



Did we miss your birthday? Not on purpose. So sorry. Let us know.

In our Prayers

~ Hospitalized in the Last Month ~

Betty Treffinger-GrandView

Jim Miller- LVH-178

~ At Home ~

Forrest Allebach

Louis Barner- Tom Sand's father

Mary Lou Bechtel- friend of C Weiss

Norm & Muriel Benner

Richard Croisette- Claude's brother

Linda Dunn- friend of D McMurtrie

Michael Dziedzic- brother L Foreman

Carol Elias

Marylisa Escobar- friend of Hager's

Richard Frederick- friend of F Grim

Jeffrey Fox- son of D & L Fox

Don Fuoss- Donna Montich's father

Frank Ganther- friend of the Kressly &
Elias families

Orphia Gardian- D Richard's mother

Evelyn Gerhard

Delia Grim- Frank Grim's mother

Ray Grucello

Ward Haines- Bonnie Ferrero's dad

Lindee Harney- friend of K Creghan

Joanne Hersh

Honey- Rose Sherer's sister

Miles Hontz

Wm. Kelso- neighbor of Leister's

Shirley Keyser

Carol Kratzer

Lisa Lancellotti- wife of friend of M
Rose

Alma Leister

R & G Leister- Alice Hager's parents

Betty Lonergan- K Cummins' mother

Shirley Marconi- D Turofski's mother

Molly Mauro- J McMurtrie's cousin

Louise Mest

Donald Moll- friend of Loretta Baver

Delue Moyer

Ed Peery- Tim Klavon's uncle

Pastor Phillips- LCT Nursing

Tom Sands

Hal & Marianne Schatz

Christoph Schmidt

Mildred Seasholtz

Kelly Sell- Diane Schantz's daughter

Braden Sell- nephew of Jeremiah Sell
& Heather Walter

Serfass family- friends of K Creghan

Laura Harriet Smith- A Zepp's sister

Elaine Spiezio

Walter Stevens- cousin of Betty
Treffinger & Leroy & Rbt Stevens

Kevin Steinman- nephew of I Benner

Ronald Swinehart- friend of the Grim's

Serge Szuhaj- father-in-law of Kristin
Richard Szuhaj

Greg Thren- son-in-law of the King's

Joyce Wimmer

Gene & Barbara Woehr

Robert Wood

Nancy Yerger



~ In Memory ~

We remember in our prayers the family
and friends of Naomi Bartholomew
who died on March 10, 2010.



Retirement & Nursing



Frederick Mennonite Community

Norman & Muriel Benner

Ernest Brendlinger

Ginny Dale

Charlie Keck

Don & Frannie Lechner

Anna Mensch

Life Quest, Quakertown

Grace Leister

Gordon Leister

Ruth Wonsidler

Little Lehigh Manor

George & Patricia Hoffman

Lutheran Community @ Telford

Betty Mensch

R. Wm. Phillips

Evelyn Gerhard

Souderton Mennonite

Alverda Smoll

Pennsburg Manor

Fern Kurz

Marion Henry

Dalton Boehm

Esther Walter

Theresa Kautz

Hal Schatz

Manor Care Home, Allentown

Gladys Hetrick

Morlanton Villas, Douglasville

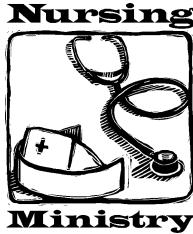
Virginia Mensch

Topton Lutheran Home

Lewis Gaul

~ Health Advocates Ministry ~

This article is brought to you by our Health Advocates Ministry. This health ministry system is designed to maintain and promote good health and illness prevention in our congregation. It integrates the concepts of physical, emotional and spiritual health to enrich the lives of our church community.



"Spring is when you feel like whistling even with a shoe full of slush". (Doug Larson) Those words seem especially true this season, after all of that snow! Hope that you have been out enjoying this lovely weather that God has provided. It's time to not only renew your spirit but also to kick start those goals that you listed in January. Remember, maybe something about eating a healthier diet, losing weight, exercising, regularly wearing a sun block, or ceasing to smoke? Check your list and get busy! Talk to one of the Health Advocates if we can help. Incidentally, if avoiding skin cancer is your goal, there is a free skin cancer screening being offered by Lansdale Hospital on May 8, 8 - 11 AM. Preregistration is required. Check the HA bulletin board for more details. "The day the Lord created hope was probably the same day He created spring". (Bern Williams) See you outside!!

~ To Ensure Hospital Visitation ~

To ensure pastoral visitations, please give permission to the hospital to include you name in the patient information directory and also notify the church office.

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If you have an e-mail address and would like to receive information from the church via your e-mail, please e-mail us with your address so that we can add it to our e-mail address book.



There will be an Easter Egg hunt on Saturday, April 3rd at 9 AM for ages 3 through 6th grade. Bring your basket and meet us at the Pavilion.

~Bible Quiz~

When John was exiled to the island of Patmos, he wrote the book of Revelation. In the first chapter, verse 10, John says he was in the spirit on the Lord's day (Sunday) and had a vision of someone he called the Son of Man (meaning Christ). Christ was dressed in a long robe with something draped across his chest. What was it?



- A. A golden sash
- B. A towel
- C. A ribbon with a cross sewn on it
- D. A palm leaf

Answer: D (See chapter 53, verse 7)

~ The Greatest ornament ~

“The church knew what the psalmist knew: Music praises God. Music is as well, or better, able to praise him than the building of a church and all its decoration; it is the church’s greatest ornament.”

—Igor Stravinsky

~ Quotes ~

“Awake, thou wintry earth — Fling off thy sadness!
Fair vernal flowers, laugh forth Your ancient gladness!
Christ is risen.”

—Thomas Blackburn

“He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose.”

—Jim Elliott

“Christ is not valued at all — unless he is valued above all.”

~St. Augustine

~ Community of Faith fund ~

You don't have to go to Africa to find people in need. We have started a fund to help people and families who have needs in our own faith community and neighborhood. If you would like to contribute to this fund, simply write “Community of Faith” on an envelope or memo line of your check.

“So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the household of faith.”

Galatians 6:10



~ The Lunch Bunch ~

A Fellowship Group for the Young at Heart

Come join us on Wednesday, April 14th at 11:30 in Fellowship Hall. Bring your mug, your lunch and invite a friend. Our own Charlie Shagg will present a program on America's First Ladies. As always desserts and drinks are provided.



**** Please save your Redner's tapes to support the Lunch Bunch. Make sure to use your Save a Tape card or ask the store to use theirs.**

~ New church phone extensions ~

When calling church or Child Care Center enter the extension for the person or classroom you wish to speak to.

Callers without a "touch tone" phone will be transferred to the church office.

Church Office: (<i>extension</i>)	110
Child Care Coordinators	122
Education Director	125
Financial Secretary	126
Musician	124
Sexton	127
Pastor	111
Vicar (<i>pastoral intern</i>)	112

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~ Cemetery Flowers ~

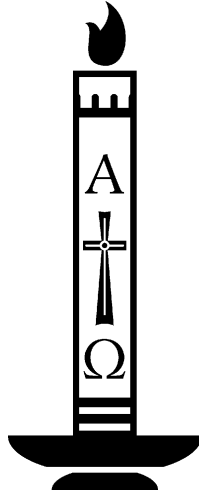
Please assist with the care of the cemetery.

Within 30 days after any holiday or special occasion, please remove from the church cemetery floral decorations, flower plants and faded artificial arrangements.

~ Christian Symbols ~

Paschal Candle

This large, white candle is an ancient symbol for Christ, the light of the world. The candle contains a cross and/or an Alpha and Omega to symbolize that Jesus is eternal and always present with his people. Also called the Easter candle, it plays a prominent role during Easter vigils and celebrations. Some churches also use the candle during baptisms and funerals.



~ Good Friday? ~

At first glance, Good Friday appears to be a misnomer. It seems inconsistent that the day of Christ's crucifixion should in any way be described as "good." But that seeming inconsistency vanishes when we understand that the ancient meaning of good was "holy." The word holy is entirely consistent with the suffering and cross that Christ endured for us. Hence, Good Friday is also known as Holy Friday.



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~ Hey, Death! You lose! ~

The Master said it affirmatively: "Because I live, you also will live" (John 14:19, NRSV). William Sloane Coffin said, "We are on the road to heaven now if we walk with the Lord."

Do you believe it? If you fully accept Christ's resurrection, you can be assured that you, as a child of God and a follower of Christ, will live eternally.

If you were a gifted sculptor, would you, after working a number of years, grab a hammer and smash your masterpiece to pieces? Of course not! Just so, God wouldn't allow death to triumph over us ... unless we arrogantly chose otherwise.

St. Paul wrote to the Corinthians: "[I]f Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain" (1 Corinthians 15:14, NRSV). But then he affirmed: "In fact Christ has been raised from the dead" (verse 20). That will be true for all who call Christ Savior.

~ Holy Week & Easter schedule ~

St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church Holy Week and Easter Schedule 2010

Maundy Thursday: Thursday, April 1, 7:30 PM

Good Friday: Friday, April 2, 7:30 PM

Easter Egg Hunt: Saturday, April 3, 9:00 AM

Easter Vigil: Saturday, April 3, 7:30 PM

Easter Sunrise Service: Sunday, April 4, 6:30 AM

Easter Festival Early Service: April 4, 8:00 AM

No Contemporary Service

Easter Festival Service: April 4, 10:30 AM

~ April Lutheran Magazine ~

WHAT'S NEXT? The cover story in *The Lutheran's* April issue presents a snapshot of what's happening after the 2009 Churchwide Assembly's votes on sexuality. The magazine will revisit this topic periodically in the coming months. In April's issue, read *Sexuality ...* issue causes division, sadness—and hope. See what the presiding bishop and a former ELCA secretary have to say by reading *ELCA faces a changing American religious landscape*.

CHRIST HAS RISEN! *The Lutheran's* April issue brings you articles to ponder this Easter season. Read *Why the disciples follow Jesus to get 10 reasons—and see if they are ours too*. In *I am a Christian*, discover that Martin Luther said we, too, are released from the accuser. And read *The Great Surprise* to learn that Easter still packs a major surprise.

HERE'S SOMETHING for everyone and all ages in *The Lutheran's* April issue ... **find** out how Spiritual resilience is key for caregivers of parents—whether near or far ... **discover** how ELCA-affiliated Mosaic serves seniors with developmental disabilities ... **meet** a woman who wrote a book for church secretaries based on her experiences ... **travel** to Oberammergau, Germany, where an ELCA pastor can greet you this summer ... **help** boost your family's knowledge of our biblical stories of faith ... and **see** how youth in Montana turned cupcakes into toys for youth escaping abusive situations.

WHAT'S HAPPENING in our church—locally and globally? Check out *The Lutheran's* April issue. **Get** an update on the ELCA's response to the earthquakes in Haiti and Chile ... **learn** how a Delaware congregation is going back to the 3 Rs: Respond, Return, Rejoice ... and **see** how an ELCA pastor uses Scarce & sacred water for baptisms. Read the magazine's News section to see what's happening in the ELCA and beyond. For news of ELCA colleges, universities and seminaries, check out the Higher education page.

Coming up in future issues of *The Lutheran*

- May cover story: The meaning of hospitality. It's more than food and a comfy bed
- See how Iowa pastors use baseball and bikes to proclaim the mission of the ELCA.
- Meet a Pennsylvania pastor who teaches and cooks.
- Ask: How does Sunday worship shape a biblical imagination?
- Travel to Myanmar, where division led to a new mission.

~ Looking for ways to help? ~

Be a Bulletin or Candle Sponsor ~ If you would like to congratulate, honor, or remember your loved ones, there is a Sanctuary Light or Bulletin sign up chart in the hallway or you call the church at 215.679.5553. The donation is \$20.

FLOWERS: There are also many openings for the sponsoring of Chancel flowers. Please call Heather Walter at 215-541-4069 if you wish to sponsor flowers. Arrangements start at \$30.

READERS & Communion Assistants
SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS AT 9:15
MUSIC & WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

~ Imparting faith ~

We are looking for one or two adults who would be willing to team teach the 3rd and 4th grade Sunday School class. When on a team of teachers you only have to teach every other or every third week. Sunday school runs from September until May. Please see Bonnie Bonser or Pat Klinger or call the church office if you are interested in helping.

~ Chester squeaks - er - speaks ~

Spring, ah, glorious spring! Have you seen all those bright yellow daffodils blooming everywhere? No wonder new life is associated with spring. Resurrection life is everywhere you look! Speaking of resurrection, come celebrate Resurrection Sunday with us here at St. Paul's. What a joyous day to worship our risen Savior, Lord, and King! It just makes me want to shout!



In addition to the new signs of spring, our new staff members Karen Quinn and Beth Nichols are hard at work learning all their new responsibilities. I scamper in and out of their offices during the day to help keep an eye on them, but they are both doing a great job and are as pleasant as they are efficient. Whenever you come in the church, make sure you get to meet them. Just introduce yourself so they can start to learn who everyone is. And that's no small task!

My little ones and I are still recuperating from all the March madness around here. A great fun day was had by all in the daycare on St. Patrick's Day. Everywhere you looked there was a sea of green. And those wee little leprechauns were running all over the place. The pastor almost dropped his teeth when he came in that morning and saw the daycare director (aka known as the former parish assistant) dressed in green from head to toe, hat and all!

This month mother is looking forward to the Women's Event that was postponed after February's snow, snow, and more snow. I will sneak in to hear the harp player who is coming. Of course I hope they drop a few choice goodie crumbs for me to nibble while I'm listening.

Then I'll leave so mother and all the rest of the ladies can enjoy their fun morning and their tearoom luncheon. It's on Saturday the 24th; so if you can, make sure to sign up for the program and the tearoom luncheon or at least join them in Fellowship Hall for the morning. Mother laughs for days after when she goes to these things.

Another thing I have been enjoying here is the lovely organ music being played during the 8 and 10:30 AM services on Sunday mornings. Thank you to Mrs. Margie Rodenberger for her willingness to offer her talents in providing the beautiful sounds of the organ.

Be sure to join us for the services during Holy Week and Resurrection Sunday. God is a good God and He deserves all our praise and worship. Join all creation in say, "Hallelujah! He is Risen!"

Enjoy April showers and all. Take time to say thank you to the Lord each and every day and to tell Him how much you love Him. I'll check in again next month. And remember, the walls have ears!

~ Chester

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~ Growing in grace ~

"I wait for the Lord, I expectantly wait, and in His word do I hope. I am looking and waiting for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, I say, more than watchmen for the morning."

Psalm 130:5-6 Amp

What a beautiful, renewing time of the year spring is. To me spring is God's way of reminding us each year after the cold, dark, seeming deadness of winter that there is again hope and life. Spring brings with it a resurrection of living things. Plants bud and begin to sprout and grow. Lambs are born as are many other kinds of animals. All of nature begins to spring forth in a celebration of life. There just seems to be new life everywhere. And of course in the life of the church, it is the time we celebrate our Lord's resurrection.

One thing we all have to do in life is wait. As a matter of fact we wait before we are even born for the right time to be born. Waiting is just part of life. Some things are worth waiting for more than others. The psalmist writes that he waits for the Lord. But notice he says he expectantly waits. When we wait in faith we should be waiting but at the same time expecting something to happen. Faith expects. Waiting requires patience. Patience does not mean sitting and twiddling our thumbs, doing nothing. Patience in the biblical sense is being consistently constant, or waiting with a sense or knowing that what the Lord has said or promised will come to pass and expecting it to. I must just keep my faith applied to His word.

Another thing we do while we are waiting is hope. Now hoping and wishing are not the same thing. Hope that the Bible speaks of is based on something. Here the psalmist says his hope is based on the word of God. In other words, you find a promise that God makes to you in His Word and you place your hope in Him and in His Word; because God and His Word are one. Your hope isn't just wishful thinking. Your hope is grounded, anchored to, and resting on God's promise ~ His Word. Take for example Jesus' promise or word in John 14: 3.

"And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also." This is a promise Jesus makes to us. We will have to wait for it, expecting it to be fulfilled. Meanwhile our hope is placed on His word of this promise.

The question is how can we wait expectantly placing our hope on God's word if we don't know what the Word of God says? What promises does God make to us? The only way to know what God has promised in His Word is to get into His Word and read it, study it, research it, and find the promises. Believe them by placing our hope by faith on them, and then waiting until our faith becomes sight. The Bible is God's Word to us. It is our guide book, our promise book. It is God revealing Himself to us. Hearing a snippet of it read on a Sunday morning, one day out of seven, is not enough. The Bible is spiritual food - food for our spirit. Just as we need to eat physical food for our physical bodies several times a day, we need to feed our spirit daily also. And you don't have to worry about over feeding your spirit because God wants us to be "fat" in the knowledge of His Word!

The psalmist also says he looks more than the watchman. Watchmen used to stand guard on the walls around ancient cities incase enemies were approaching especially by night when it was hard to see. We need to be watching by faith for what God has promised to us. We have no excuse in this day and age when the Bible is on the internet, you can have it on your cell phone, download it onto your ipod, and can listen to it on CD's as you drive back and forth to work. We can't say we don't have time. Knowing the Word of God, the promises of God is the best investment you can ever make. It will pay dividends from now through all eternity.

I will wait for the Lord. I wait expecting by faith through patience for His promises to me. I wait placing my hope in His Word. "But those who wait on the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint." Isaiah 40:31 Wait in the Word for the Lord. He has given us His grace to seek Him.

~ Upper Perkiomen Child Care ~

*a weekday early childhood educational
ministry of St. Paul's*



Thank you, thank you, thank you, parents! All of us at UPCCC had the greenist, fun-filled St. Patrick's Day. Every room was filled with green and the leprechauns were had a great time. There were green snacks

and hats and lots of fun for everyone. We have the best parents! Thanks for making our day so much fun!

Well, spring looks like it has finally arrived. That can only mean summer will be right around the corner. All the staff is gearing up planning ahead for summer activities. Please let us know your summer plans as soon as possible. Don't forget the Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 3rd at 9 AM. Blessed Easter to all.

Here is the news from our classrooms.

Nursery ~ We added a new baby in March. And with the warmer weather we have been able to get outside for some spring walks. We are very busy learning and growing every day.

Little Explorers ~ It was green jello and shamrock hats and fun we had on St. Patrick's Day. Everyday we enjoy books and music and now we have been able to get outside more.

Twoodles ~ We are dancing and singing our way into spring. Our days are full of fun-filled learning activities. We are especially glad to be able to go outside and enjoy the sunshine.

Preschool ~ Did you ever try to put an egg together? It was only a paper egg puzzle in many pieces, but we had to put it back together. Too bad Humpty Dumpty didn't go back together as easily. We are having lots of spring fun and doing many art projects.

PreK ~ Now that the very naughty leprechaun has gone back to Ireland and stopped wreaking our room we are moving into spring. Spring means new life and learning what is born and what comes out of eggs. We are leaning about weather and making weather art pictures. We are happy to be going outside more to enjoy the sun.

Kindergarten ~ Lucky the leprechaun has returned to Ireland after creating messes in our room every day. We did have a wonderful St. Patrick's Day dressing in green and having green snacks. Our teachers wore green hats. Now we are painting with a record player. Some of us have never even seen or heard of a record player. You'll need to stop by and see our paintings. There's never a dull moment in our room.

School Age ~ We are actually getting outside more in this early spring weather. Our teachers are busy planning for all the summer fun we will be having in Camp Perkiomen. Music is great with Mrs. V. You should hear us sing and she is teaching us to play handbells. She says if you can count to 4 you can play bells. And we do.



~ Thank you ~

Thank you all so much for your caring and your prayers. I appreciate all the beautiful cards and well wishes sent to me while I was in the hospital and recuperating at home. A special "thanks" to Pastor Vanderslice and Vicar Jack for the visits and to everyone at UPCCC. I really appreciate the support from the congregation,

*Sincerely,
Betty Treffinger*

~ Rescheduled Women's Event ~

Heart's Ablaze ~ Saturday, April 24th

You are all invited to the our third Women's Event - Hearts Ablaze on Saturday, April 24, 2010. We will gather in Fellowship Hall from 9 to 10 AM for coffee, tea, and goodies and live harp music. Our program will begin thereafter with speakers, video, games, prizes, laughter, and just plain heartwarming fun. The entire morning is for fun and it's free.

Then to complete the morning we will be going to the Gilbertsville TeaRoom for a high tea luncheon. The teahouse can accommodate 40 people and we must let them know how many are coming by April 10th. There is a sign-up sheet near the poster on the Fellowship hallway bulletin board. The total cost of the tea luncheon is \$20(tip included).

Mark you calendar; reserve the date and invite as many friends as you wish. All are welcome. Questions: call Bonnie Bonser in the church office 215-679-5553 ext 125 or Jan Woertz at 215-541-1027. Hurry. Sign up now!

~ Victory House soup kitchen ~

On March 14, 2010 The McGrotty Family, Maja and Brandon Taylor and Laura Foreman traveled to the Victory House to prepare and serve dinner to the residents. While the McGrotty Boys and Laura Foreman prepared homemade meatballs and sauce for meatball subs, Maryann McGrotty chopped and prepared a wonderful salad. Maja and Brandon Taylor diligently peeled and sliced 15lbs of potatoes that were later deep fried by the McGrotty Family into delicious homemade french fries. The residents of the Victory House polished off almost all of the meatball subs and salad, but made sure to leave room for the wonderful brownies Maryann McGrotty brought. The residents were very appreciative and as we left for the evening, the sea of smiling and content faces was a warm good-bye.

The St. Paul's soup kitchen committee will be traveling to the Victory house on April 11, May 9, June 13, July 11, August 8, September 12, October 10, November 14 and December 12 of this year. A signup sheet is located outside fellowship hall on the bulletin board. If you are interested in traveling to the Victory House to help serve, would like to prepare some food prior to the trip or have any questions about the Victory House at all, please contact Laura Foreman at 267-923-8895 or 215-272-1445 or via email at foreman3@hotmail.com.

But do not forget to do good and to share, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased. - Hebrews 13:16 (NKJV)

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Create a beautiful decoration for your window this Easter. It will remind you that Jesus rose from the dead to save you from your sins.

What you need:

- 8½" x 11" sheet of paper
- Pencil
- Clear transparency sheet (or clear report cover)
- Permanent marker
- Scissors
- Colored tissue paper
- Paintbrush
- Glue
- Scotch tape

What you do:

1. Draw a large cross that takes up most of the paper.
2. Put the transparency over the paper and trace the cross onto it with a permanent marker.
3. Cut the colored tissue paper into 1" x 1" squares.
4. Using a paintbrush, spread glue onto the tissue paper squares and then place them on the cross. (Add a few drops of water to the white glue to make it more spreadable.)
5. After the glue is dry, cut out the cross. Then tape it in a window and enjoy the beautiful colors.

SYMBOL OF SACRIFICE

At this time of the year, we see many crosses draped in purple, black or white cloth. They remind us of the loving sacrifice Jesus made for us – and that he rose again.

Use the code in the big cross to complete 1 Corinthians 15:3-4, NIV.

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Answer: Christ died for our sins ... he was buried ... he was raised on the third day.



	Saturday	Easter Vigil 7:00 PM Easter Vigil 9:00 PM	10	17	Wednesday	17	24
	Friday	Good Friday 7:00 PM Good Friday 9:00 PM	16	23	23	30	30
	Thursday	Holy Thursday 7:00 PM Bible study 8 PM	15	22	29	29	29
	Wednesday	Bible study 7:00 PM Bible study 8 PM	14	21	28	28	28
	Tuesday	6	13	20	27	27	27
	Monday	Cuba St. Paul 10:30 AM Cuba St. Paul 12:30 PM Cuba St. Paul 4:30 PM	12	19	26	26	26
	Sunday	Easter Sunday 8:00 AM Easter Sunday 10:00 AM Easter Sunday 12:00 PM Easter Sunday 2:00 PM Easter Sunday 4:00 PM Easter Sunday 6:00 PM	9	16	23	30	30

	Counters	<i>Mon 8:00 AM Stevens</i>	<i>Tue 8:00 AM Stevens</i>	<i>Wed 8:00 AM Stevens</i>	<i>Thu 8:00 AM Stevens</i>	<i>Fri 8:00 AM Stevens</i>	<i>Sat 8:00 AM Stevens</i>	<i>Sun 8:00 AM Stevens</i>
	Readers	<i>10:30 AM Hersh</i>	<i>10:30 AM Walp</i>	<i>10:30 AM Turofski</i>	<i>10:30 AM Turofski</i>			
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