

The Chimes

May 8, 2007

Saint Paul's Worship Schedule

Sunday

9:00 am: Holy Communion

Children & adult sermons

Worship service concurrent with Sunday School

10:30 am: Holy Communion

Traditional liturgy

Wednesday

7:00 pm: Holy Communion

Healing Service – third Wednesday of the month

Saint Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

415 E. Athens Ave., Ardmore, PA 19003

The Rev. Dr. Harry W. McDowell, Pastor

The Rev. Julie K. DeWerth, Pastor

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Please join us for a special luncheon on Sunday, May 20, at 11:30 am, as we celebrate Bill Dougherty's 29 years of service as Saint Paul's Caretaker.

Bill began his career at Saint Paul's in 1978, and was the man "on call" for almost 30 years. Bill has always been available to help, at any hour of the day or night, anyone in need: church members, the office staff, the Congregation Council, the Pastors—Treichel, Miller, DeWerth, Interim Pastor Wolford, and most recently Pastor McDowell. In his role as Cemetery Caretaker, Bill's patience with, and compassion for, grieving families making difficult decisions about their loved ones revealed the kindness that motivated so many of his actions.



Bill has many interests outside his work at Saint Paul's. He is an expert marksman and naturalist (he's definitely the man to consult if you are planning to test your survival skills in the wilderness). Bill is also a collector of native American artifacts (see him in his authentic Indian buckskin, at left), and is an enthusiastic and entertaining conversationalist.



Please join us following the worship service on Sunday, May 20, to honor Bill and wish him well in his retirement. All are invited to this celebration of an individual who has been such a significant part of the behind-the-scenes history of Saint Paul's.

Thoughts from the Pastor



O give thanks to the Lord,
for he is good;
his steadfast love endures forever!
Psalm 118:1

Dear Friends:

What a week! That's all I kept thinking last Sunday night: What a week! I have been eagerly anticipating my installation at 4:00 last Sunday afternoon. I was excited about the Bishop presiding, listening to the sermon Pastor Jo Wilhelmson was preparing, and hearing the incredible music I knew the choirs were rehearsing. I was looking forward to sharing the day with all of you, both at the liturgy itself and at the wonderful reception after the service, when... our first grandchild arrived three weeks early!

So as if the excitement of officially becoming your senior pastor wasn't enough, now I had little Nelson to make the week even more frenetic and full of wonder. It was such a whirlwind of a week that I actually had to keep reminding myself to take time to stop and pray. When I did that, the above words from Psalm 118 kept coming to mind. "O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever."

Born on Monday, Nelson ended up back in the hospital on Friday due to some jaundice, and he came back home on Sunday during my installation.

With the birth of a new baby and the official birth of a new ministry, I feel abundantly blessed, and I've been thanking God every day for Nelson and all of you. Thanks to all of you who labored to make the installation service and reception so spectacular. There was widespread participation from folks both seen and unseen. And thanks, too, for your expressions, prayers, and thoughts on the birth of Nelson. When I held him last Sunday evening after the installation, I told him about this wonderful community of saints here in Ardmore.

I think of the words of St. Paul to the Romans. "I thank my god through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is proclaimed throughout the world."

In Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pastor Harry McDowell". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Pastor Harry McDowell

Births

- ❖ Congratulations to Millie Parker, our Parish Secretary, on the birth of her fifth granddaughter, Emily Margaret. We rejoice with Millie and pray for God's blessings on Robin, Michael, Carly (Emily's older sister) and Emily Grimm.
- ❖ Congratulations to Carol and Karl Simon on the birth of their second grandchild, Maya Ann. We rejoice with the Simons and pray for God's blessings on Karla, Bernard, Dalton Michael (Maya Ann's older brother) and Maya Ann Taylor.
- ❖ Congratulations to Pastor McDowell and Pam McDowell on the birth of their first grandchild, Nelson Rivary. We rejoice with the McDowells and pray for God's blessings on Suzanne, Marco and Nelson Cordon.

Prayer Chain

Prayers are requested for our men and women in the armed services, especially Jeff Amorose, serving in Iraq (Jeff is the nephew of Chris Fritton).

Prayers are also requested for: Lucille Byrne; Jacob Diamond-Reivich (grandson of a friend of Hazel Pelletreau); Margaret Finnegan (Bill Dougherty's sister-in-law); Frank Helms (friend of Hazel Pelletreau); Tony Mazzanobile; Lynn McCall; Mike Moran; Jack Morris (Mary Lynn Kennedy's uncle); Patricia Wilson; and Donald Yalenty (Linda Stanton's father).

Thank You

To Saint Paul's Angels:

THANK YOU ALL for your assistance and personal help and prayers when I blacked out during the 10:30 am service April 22, '07. Your 911 call for police and ambulance took me right to Bryn Mawr Hospital. I don't remember anything from lobby to hospital. I revived in the emergency room and then was put into a hospital room where I was given tests galore. They found very low blood pressure and discharged me Wednesday pm, after excellent care and medication led to an increase in my blood pressure. Your prayers were the best "medicine."

Ray Williams

Drivers Needed – Can You Help?

We are trying to put together a list of drivers who would be able to transport non-drivers or people without cars, to appointments, medical treatments and church. If you have a car and would like to help, please let us know.

Contact Beth McElvenney (beth.mcelvenney@yahoo.com) or 610-853-2444) or the church office (610-642-3211), and provide the following information:

➤ **Your name**

➤ **Availability:**

Weekdays—mornings, afternoons, evenings, only certain days, etc.

Weekends—can give rides to church

Varies, but call me—if I can help, I will

➤ **Contact number/address:**

Best way to reach you—e.g., phone (home/work/cell number), e-mail

Attention: Families of 2007 Graduates

If you have a son or daughter who will be graduating from high school, trade school, college, or other secondary/post-secondary program, celebrate the accomplishment with a notice in *The Chimes*. Simply provide the information indicated below and forward to the church office no later than noon on Tuesday, June 5. Any graduation notices received after June 5 will be included in the July *Chimes*.

Graduate's name _____

Graduating from _____

Degree/honors _____

Plans for September _____

The Chimes, the newsletter of Saint Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, is published monthly for the inspiration, education and entertainment of its members and friends. Comments and suggestions are welcome. Just mail, e-mail or deliver them to the church office.

The next issue of *The Chimes* will be published on **Tuesday, June 12**. Your articles are due in the office no later than noon on **Tuesday, June 5**. Thank you!

Organ Recital by David Spicer

One of the great organists of our time
will play Saint Paul's newly-renovated organ

Sunday, May 20, at 7:30 pm
Saint Paul's Sanctuary

Recital is free; an offering will be taken

BabyManna: An Investment in the Future



What Is BabyManna?

The BabyManna program, sponsored by Philabundance, raises funds for the purchase of infant formula and baby food for thousands of children in the Delaware Valley who are born into poverty each year. The circumstances of these children places them at risk for chronic malnutrition.

For over a decade, more than 250 area churches, synagogues and other organizations have collected funds for BabyManna starting on Mother's Day weekend. Philabundance uses these funds to purchase infant formula and baby products at deeply discounted rates. The items are then distributed to the over 600 nonprofit agencies that depend upon Philabundance to help feed children in need. One hundred per cent of the proceeds collected for BabyManna are used to purchase and distribute baby formula and products.

Please Support BabyManna this Mother's Day

Please consider making a donation to this worthwhile cause on **Mother's Day, Sunday, May 13**. Look for the collection basket at the back of the church.

For information, contact: Eleanor C. Missimer
Phone: (215) 339-0900, ext. 269
E-mail: emissimer@philabundance.org

Evangelism Corner

Like a Mustard Seed*

He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade." (Mark 4:30-32)

When she was a guest preacher at St. Paul's during our Wednesday evening Lenten series, *Growing in God's Grace*, Bishop Claire Burkat noted that "Jesus lifts up the seed as a metaphor for the Word of God that is sown widely and generously on all different kinds of soil."

She especially caught my attention when she said, "Many an evangelism committee has often been discouraged" with the results [or lack thereof] after "planning, and inviting and hoping, and wishing and praying for people in the neighborhood to come to our congregation, to be part of our faith community."

"Have no fear," she went on to say, "God is already growing those seeds you have sown. Be generous, be kind, be courageous, be faithful, be loving and welcoming. Water and nurture the seeds of faith too small to see. **Spend as much time praying for God's blessing on your efforts and sharing stories of growth with each other as you spend time planning the strategy**" (emphasis mine).

I'm sure many members of the committee would be thrilled if I assigned them the job of praying instead of baking brownies or arranging flowers for the new member luncheon, or of staffing the visitors' center, or of delivering mugs to the homes of first-time visitors, or of mailing letters to newcomers in the area. Unfortunately, however, there's still hands-on work to be done; our prayers need to be accompanied by labor in the fields in order to bear fruit. Nevertheless, prayer that God will nurture the seed and cause it to flourish **is** essential and its importance should never be underestimated.

Bishop Burkat concluded her sermon by saying, "The Kingdom of God is already here among us. Let's look for it, celebrate it, claim it and proclaim it."

*Barbara Keyser
Evangelism Chair*

*Many thanks to Bishop Burkat for allowing me to quote from her sermon.

Summer Worship Schedule: One Sunday Service Only
9:30 am
Start date: Sunday, June 10

The beautiful weather last week brought the promise of summer. Summer . . .time for family and friends . . .time for vacation. . . time to enjoy God's gifts of nature . . .and an opportunity to bring the Saint Paul's community together in worship each Sunday.

Recently, the Worship and Music Committee proposed to the Congregation Council that during the summer, we hold just one Sunday service, at 9:30 am. This recommendation was approved by the Council at its last meeting. The summer schedule will begin on June 10 and run through Rally Day, September 9. We will return to two services on Sunday, September 16.



Worshipping together will give those of us who regularly attend the same service (either 9 or 10:30 am) an opportunity to meet, and worship with, the "other half" of the Saint Paul's family. We also will move our fellowship hour to the lawn after the service (lemonade and cookies, too), and we are planning other "summer fun" events . . .more about that in a future *Chimes*.

We look forward to seeing you on Sunday, June 10 at 9:30 am.

The Worship and Music Committee

A 2007 sign-up chart for sponsoring altar flowers for Sunday morning worship is available in the narthex. If you would like to sponsor altar flowers, please sign up for the Sunday(s) in which you are interested. The cost of the flowers is \$25.00. Once you have signed up, you will receive confirmation of your sponsorship and information about how to make your payment.

The following article was written by Joel Fram and appeared in the March 29 issue of the "Main Line Times." It is reproduced here by permission of the Managing Editor of the newspaper.

The Main Line Times'
VOLUNTEER OF THE WEEK

PROFILE

Name: Lisa Lexa

Volunteers for: Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic

Resides in: Rosemont

"I encourage everyone to volunteer," Lisa Lexa says, "to find something they're passionate about." Lexa practices what she preaches, and she is not short on passions. One of them is Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic, a national educational library serving people who can't read standard print because of visual impairment, dyslexia or other physical disabilities.

Recording for the Blind was founded in 1948 to help soldiers who were blinded in World War II obtain an education under the GI Bill of Rights. Later, to reflect the growing number of members with dyslexia and other learning disabilities, the words "and Dyslexic" were added to the name. Over the years, RFB&D has created a massive audio library of textbooks in a broad range of subject areas from kindergarten level through graduate school and beyond.

Lexa, 46, volunteered for the Philadelphia unit of RFB&D 15 years ago as a reader. She has since served as the group's president and chaired "almost all the committees," and is currently on the board—and she's still a reader.

"The books we produce really, truly change families," she says, with evident pride in the role she's played. "Somebody may be listening to my voice today."

That voice may be reading material on history, biology, economics, psychology, feminist philosophy or any of various other subjects she has read.

Lexa was raised in Blue Bell, earned her bachelor's in economics from Cornell and worked in finance. She and her husband, David L. Wilson, were married in 1989 and have lived in Rosemont since then. Lexa's stepson, David Junior, recently graduated from USC Law School and is living in Los Angeles. Three years ago, Lexa and Wilson adopted a Chinese girl, Frances, who is now 4 and very spirited. Also sharing the home are two dogs who "do not have manners," a Shepherd mix named Emery and a Brittany Spaniel named Sadie. Both were adopted from animal shelters.

RFB&D and her family aren't Lexa's only passions. She volunteers for Main Line Animal Rescue and is active with her church. And she's "quite the hockey fan," as are her husband and Frances. She has traveled to Buffalo to root for Cornell at a "frozen four" game.

RFB&D will record any printed matter that's needed for a client to pursue an education or a profession. The material is mainly textbooks, though it may include fiction that's part of a literature program. (Thus, Harry Potter books have made their way into the collection.) Publishers allow RFB&D to record the books free of royalties, with the guarantee that the recordings will require the special player or PC software developed for RFB&D.

RFB&D's library is in Princeton; yearly, about 6,000 volunteers in local units nationwide contribute almost 400,000 hours recording more than 5,000 books, raising funds, and helping bring awareness of the organization's services to students, teachers and parents. In recent years, recordings originally put on tape have been converted to digital media. Every year, RFB&D distributes more than a quarter of a million recorded books to over 140,000 members. The Philadelphia unit has about 275 active volunteers who work out of the King of Prussia headquarters in King of Prussia.

The Philadelphia unit of RFB&D is planning a Recordathon during the first week of April, in which volunteers will solicit pledges and, of course, read. RFB&D is also seeking volunteers who can read two hours per week Monday through Thursday, in the afternoon or evening. And, naturally, the group could use donations. For more information, visit Philadelphia@rfd.org or call 610-265-8090, ext. 31. For information on the national organization, visit www.rfd.org or call 866-732-3585.

SEEKING GENTLY USED BEANIE BABIES

Do you, or someone you know, have one or more gently used Beanie Babies you can donate to a good cause? The Beanie Babies will be distributed to children in Iraqi hospitals.

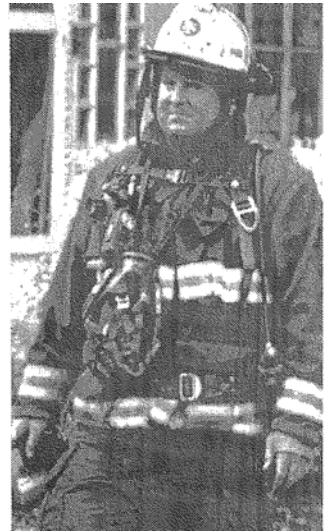
Please drop off your donations in the church office. Lisa Lexa will collect the Beanie Babies and ensure that they are delivered to her friend, who is organizing the collection and distribution effort.

**Saint Paul's Members Honored at
117th Annual Banquet of Merion Fire Co. of Ardmore**

Invocation Delivered by Fire Company Chaplain, Julie DeWerth

Thomas Keyser Awarded Plaque for Service. Tom Keyser, a long-time member of Saint Paul's, was honored at the banquet with a plaque for his **45 years of service to the fire company.** Congratulations, Tom!

James McCoy Inducted into HONORARY LIFE BRIGADE. The fire company's tribute to Jim McCoy (at right) indicated that "Jimmy" had given the same enthusiasm to his fellow fire fighters and the fire service that he had reserved for his family—no easy task. The tribute (for Jim and one other fire fighter who is not a St. Paul's member) went on to say: *We as a community thank them, along with their families, for the honor of being the recipients of their passion. We are grateful that you are here. The Merion Fire Company of Ardmore salutes you.* Congratulations, Jim!



Chaplain of the Merion Fire Company of Ardmore, Julie DeWerth, provides spiritual support and guidance for the firemen who serve Ardmore and surrounding communities. At this year's annual banquet on April 21st, Chaplain Julie said a blessing and read the Fireman's Prayer.

Pastor Julie DeWerth on Board of Knox Home

Pastor Julie was recently elected to serve on the Board of Managers of the Charles C. Knox Home (a retirement home) on Sussex Road in Wynnewood. In her role as a Board Manager, she will deal with pastoral care and personnel issues.

Upcoming Meetings & Events—Save the Dates!

Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study (last meeting of season: 5/26)
10:00 to 11:15 am, Kugler Room. All women of Saint Paul's are welcome!

Thursday Evening Women's Bible Study

6:30 to 7:30 pm in the Kugler Room.

Remaining dates before summer break: May 17 & May 31. All are welcome!

Miriam Circle

Next meeting at 1:30 pm on Tuesday, June 5, Meeting Room

All women of Saint Paul's are welcome!

Saturday Morning Men's Bible Study

8:30 am in the Kugler Room. All men of Saint Paul's are welcome!

Families with Young Children Picnic

Tuesday, May 22, 6:00 -7:30 pm

3rd to 8th Grade Youth Group - Philadelphia City Sail

Sunday, June 3, 12:30 - 4:30; \$20 per person, Scholarships available

Women's Dinner at Valentino's in Broomall

Tuesday, June 5, 6:00 pm, BYOB

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CAN YOU DONATE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS TO SAINT PAUL'S VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL PROGRAM?

- ⌘ Empty baby food jars *with lids*
- ⌘ Magazines with an outdoor, ocean, fishing or nature theme
- ⌘ Yarn
- ⌘ Small and medium-size sea shells

Please drop off your donations in the church office. Thank you!

The following article was written by Michael Klein for the INQlings column of "The Philadelphia Inquirer." It appeared in the Sunday, April 29, 2007 issue of the newspaper.

Captain Noah's Lesson in Crayon

Philly's most durable kiddie-show hosts—Captain and Mrs. Noah—are getting back in front of children, a dozen years after they sailed off Channel 6.



Carter and Pat Merbreier will show up Tuesday at Gladwyne Elementary for the first of what they hope will become a series of appearances before schoolchildren. Their program, "Lessons in a Box of Crayons," uses giant crayons, balloons, puppets, and *Captain Noah and His Magical Ark* video clips provided by the TV station. Their show was on from 1967 through 1994, and they did a similar school program 15 years ago.

Crayons, the captain explains, are perfect and all the same. Children are not. They should embrace their differences.

In a nod to the *Noah* show's "Send Your Pictures" segment, they'll hand out boxes of crayons and ask the second graders to draw pictures, which will be sent to hospitalized children.

Carter Merbreier, 80, says his recovery from heart by-pass surgery (plus a new aortic valve - "I'm no longer welcome in synagogue") has inspired him and his wife to give something back and "try to come up with a message for the kids."

"It's our gift," he says, adding he'll accept no sponsorships.



June Birthdays

- 1 Jane Brophy, Johanna Dietzschold
- 2 Justin Davidson, Philip Henderson
- 3 Lovisa Gustafsson, Andy Heller, Spenser Kopp, Karen McPherson
- 4 Robert Baker, Donald Erickson, Katherine Erickson, Kenneth Moran
- 5 Liam Riehl
- 6 Erika Bierschwale, Olivia Luistro, Edward Tintera IV
- 7 Jordan Parman
- 8 Mary Ellen Frey, Erik Johnson
- 9 Katherine Dewey, Barbara Gibson, Stefan Muller
- 11 Eleanore Flom, Shane Leinhauser
- 12 Joan Copeland, Frieda Horner, Alexander Scota
- 13 Linda Bjorkquist, Diane Legnini, William Lukasiewicz, Thomas Stellwagen V,
J. B. Tintera
- 14 Megan Schuster
- 15 Carleen Aleardi, Abigail Krissingner
- 16 Beth Ann Schuster
- 17 Dillon Perry, W. Laird Robertson
- 18 Kevin Pringle, Shelby Smyrl, Linda Stanton
- 19 Jacqueline Aronchick, Lisa Frey
- 20 Lisa Lexa-Wilson
- 21 Kendall Cadd, Melanie Kolb
- 22 Linda Laudenslager, Michael Moran, Spencer Schumacher
- 24 Ted Flack, Elizabeth Olsen
- 25 Lajos Bodi, Margaret Tintera
- 26 John Tintera II, Courtney Tintera
- 28 Anna Manning
- 29 Karen Joyce, Nancy Thomas
- 30 Florence Siegel

Wish List Items

Many members of Saint Paul's have enjoyed sitting on the benches in front of the church entrance through the years—enjoying beautiful weather while chatting with friends or resting while waiting to be picked up. Unfortunately the benches have deteriorated to the point where they must be replaced. We request that members consider making a gift to Saint Paul's toward the cost of \$900 to replace the two benches. If you would like to make a contribution, please make your check payable to *Saint Paul's Lutheran Church*, and write *benches* on the memo line. Your gift will benefit members and visitors over many years to come.

The Stewardship Committee

JUNE CALENDAR

Friday, June 1	
5:45 pm	Bus leaves Saint Paul's for Phillies game
10:30 pm – 12:30 am	Grace Covenant Church at Saint Paul's
Saturday, June 2	
8:30 am	Men's Bible study/Kugler Room
Sunday, June 3 – (<i>Free blood pressure checks between services</i>)	
9:00 am	Holy Communion
10:30 am	Holy Communion
12:30 – 4:30	3 rd – 8 th grade youth: Philadelphia City Sail trip
12:30 – 5:30 pm	Grace Covenant Church at Saint Paul's
Tuesday, June 5	
9:30 am	Staff meeting
12:00 noon	Deadline for June <i>Chimes</i> articles
1:30 pm	Miriam Circle/Meeting Room
6:00 pm	Women's dinner/Valentino's in Broomall
7:00 pm	AA/Fellowship Hall
Wednesday, June 6	
7:00 pm	Holy Communion
Thursday, June 7	
7:15 pm	Council/Meeting Room
Friday, June 8	
10:30 pm – 12:30 am	Grace Covenant Church at St. Paul's
Saturday, June 9	
8:30 am	Men's Bible study/Kugler Room
Sunday, June 10	
9:30 am	Holy Communion
12:30 - 5:30 pm	Grace Covenant Church at Saint Paul's
Tuesday, June 12	
9:30 am	Staff meeting
12:30 pm	Prepare June <i>Chimes</i> for mailing
7:00 pm	AA/Fellowship Hall
Wednesday, June 13	
7:00 pm	Holy Communion
Friday, June 15	
10:30 pm – 12:30 am	Grace Covenant Church at Saint Paul's
Saturday, June 16	
8:30 am	Men's Bible study/Kugler Room
Sunday, June 17	
9:30 am	Holy Communion
TBA	Cooking for the hungry/Saint Paul's kitchen
12:30 – 5:30 pm	Grace Covenant Church at Saint Paul's
Monday, June 18	
9:00 am – 12 noon	First day of Vacation Bible School
Tuesday, June 19	
7:00 pm	AA/Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, June 20

7:00 pm

Holy Communion – Healing Service

Friday, June 22

Noon

Vacation Bible School closing picnic

10:30 pm – 12:30 am

Grace Covenant Church at Saint Paul's

Sunday, June 24

9:30 am

Holy Communion

12:30 – 5:30 pm

Grace Covenant Church at Saint Paul's

Tuesday, June 26

9:30 am

Staff meeting

7:00 pm

AA/Meeting Room

Wednesday, June 27

7:00 pm

Holy Communion

7:45 pm

Christian Education/3rd floor front room

Evangelism/Meeting Room

Parish Activities/Kugler Room

Social Ministry/Volunteer Room

Stewardship/Fellowship Hall

Worship & Music/Choir Room

Friday, June 29

4:30 – 6:30

Grace Covenant Church at Saint Paul's

Mediator Lutheran Church

*(St. Paul's partner congregation)
2832 North 28th Street, Philadelphia*

***invites you to a Celebration and Jubilation for
Pastor Tim Poston's
10th Pastoral Anniversary, 1997 – 2007***

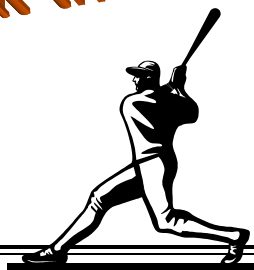
❖ *Two Day Revival: September 11 & 12
Guest Preachers at 7:00 pm services*

❖ *Pastoral Anniversary Banquet
Saturday, September 15 at 1:00 pm
Brossman Center, Lutheran Theological Seminary
Guest Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Gemechis Buba,
Asst. to the Bishop for Evangelical Outreach, SEPA Synod*

❖ *Sunday September 16 at 11:00 am
Guest Preacher: The Rev. Skip Wachsmann*

For information / reservations, call 215-226-0167, ext. # 1

Lutheran Night at the Phillies !!



Baseball season is under way! LUTHERAN NIGHT AT THE PHILLIES IS FRIDAY, JUNE 1, when the Phillies play the San Francisco Giants. Hop on the bus at 5:45 pm and arrive in time to get your ballpark franks before the first pitch at 7:05. The cost is \$36 (\$28 for the tickets and \$8 for the bus). Your money must be received no later than Friday, May 25.

To reserve a space, call the church office at 610-642-3211. Make checks out to Saint Paul's and write *Phillies game* on the memo line. Space is limited, so don't delay!



Vacation Bible School Volunteers Needed!

Vacation Bible School
June 18 – 22, 2007
9:00 am – 12:00 noon



The theme of Vacation Bible School this year is the Great Bible Reef—Dive Deep into God's World! At Great Bible Reef, kids will hear stories of Jesus, make cool crafts, learn catchy camp tunes, play wild and crazy games, eat yummy camp food, participate in an exciting mission project and make new friends. Each day offers a new Bible story to explore through loads of fun activities.

We will need help in the following areas to make this fun-filled program a success:

- I will be a VBS leader.
- I will assist in a classroom (must be going into 7th grade or higher).
- I will assist in an activity center (crafts or recreation).
- I am available to help distribute snacks during VBS.
- I am available to help prepare craft items at home before the week of VBS (e.g., cutting).
- I will help dramatize each day's story.
- I will help with opening day registration on Monday, June 18, from 8:30 to 10:30 am.
- I will help at the closing picnic on Friday, June 22.
- I am willing to help in whatever way is needed.

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

e-mail: _____

Please call or give this form to: Debbie Moran (610-649-4939) or
Pastor Julie DeWerth



Vacation Bible School Registration
at Saint Paul's Lutheran Church
415 East Athens Avenue
Ardmore, Pa
June 18 – June 22, 2007
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

ONE FORM PER CHILD

Name of Student: _____

Name of Parent/Guardian: _____

Grade entering in the fall (K through 6): _____

If preschooler, specify age 3 or 4: _____

(VBS classes are for children from 3 yrs. through those entering 6th grade)

Address: _____

Phone #: _____ Cell phone #: _____

e-mail: _____

Allergies or medical needs: _____

In the event of an emergency, every effort will be made to contact the parent or guardian at the above number. I give my permission to the VBS staff to authorize proper medical care until such time as I can be contacted.

(Signature of parent or guardian)



Please return this form and payment (\$20 per child, \$ 30.00 per family) to the church office by June 12. Checks should be made out to Saint Paul's Lutheran Church.

Saint Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church
415 East Athens Avenue
Ardmore, Pennsylvania 19003-3197

Change Service Requested
Time Dated Material