

# *The Chimes*

*November 4, 2010*

## *Saint Paul's Worship Schedule*

### *Sunday*

**9:00 am: Holy Communion**

*First Sunday of month: Family Worship  
(service designed with children in mind);*

*Remaining Sundays: service concurrent with Sunday School*

**10:45 am: Holy Communion**

*Traditional liturgy*

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# An Evening of Fellowship & Song

**KIM KALMAN**

Join us in the Kugler Room for an evening of song with Kim Kalman, recording artist and singer/songwriter:

**Saturday, November 13 at 7:00 pm**

Accompanying herself on acoustic guitar, Kim will be performing a variety of material from her CDs—Christian and secular. For a sampling of her songs, check out her website: [www.kimkalman.com](http://www.kimkalman.com).



Tickets are \$15. Refreshments will be served. A portion of your ticket price will benefit the Social Ministry programs at Saint Paul's.

For more information, contact Beth McElvenney at 610-853-2444 or [beth.mcelvenney@yahoo.com](mailto:beth.mcelvenney@yahoo.com).

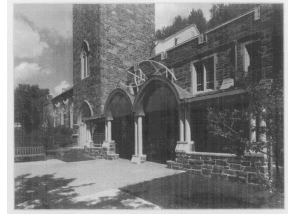
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*The Chimes*, the newsletter of Saint Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, is published monthly for the inspiration, education and entertainment of its members and friends. Comments and suggestions are welcome. Just mail, e-mail or deliver them to the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

The next issue of *The Chimes* will be published on **Tuesday, December 7**. Your articles are due in the office no later than noon on **Monday, November 29**. Thank you!

# Thoughts from the Pastor



## **Ministry and Mission in Haiti**

Dear Friends:

On October 6 and 13, many of us sat in awe and wonder as Dr. Michael Ashburn talked about and showed pictures of his medical mission trip to Haiti. Michael and a team from the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania went to the island just a few weeks after the earthquake hit. We saw pictures of the devastation and destruction. It was a powerful presentation.

Then on October 20, a group of us met to discuss a possible mission trip of our own to Haiti. This would be largely a construction trip, although it would also involve some other types of outreach and ministry.

There are 17 people who have indicated an interest!

Since then, I have been in touch with Foundation for Peace, a leading organization in arranging mission trips and outreach to Haiti, the Dominican Republic, Jamaica, and Kenya. According to their director, "Mission trips are multifaceted and focused on building relationships by working with the local church on construction projects, free medical care and educational programs regardless of race, religion, or gender."

Although everything is still in the planning stages, we are looking at a trip July 27 – August 5, 2011. Within the next few weeks, I will need to make a tentative commitment to Foundation for Peace. So I'm putting out one last call: if you are the slightest bit interested, please e-mail me so I can put you on the list. *This is not a definite commitment.*

Think about your teenage children too. I went on a trip like this with my son in 1998, and we still talk about building "our school" in Nicaragua.

If you have any questions, please call or e-mail.

In Christ,

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

Pastor Skip McDowell

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## Birth

Congratulations to Allison and Jonathan Memmel on the birth of their daughter, Lily Catherine, on September 23, 2010. Lily joins twin sisters, Charlotte and Rebecca.

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## Confirmation

**Kai Christian Goedde Isenberg**, son of Andrew Isenberg and Petra Goedde, was confirmed on Sunday, October 10. Kai's uncle from Germany, The Rev. Rüdiger Thurm, presided at the service.



*Confirmand, Kai Isenberg (center), with (l. to r.) Matthew Willmann (confirmation teacher), Pastor Rüdiger Thurm (Kai's uncle), Pastor Skip McDowell and Carolyn Asbburn (confirmation teacher).*

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## Change of Address

Jackie Andreas  
150 E. Wynnewood Road, Apt. 18-D  
Wynnewood, PA 19096

Jennifer Chudy & family  
17635 South Avenue A  
Somerton, AZ 85350

Carolyn Joseph  
1443 Treat Blvd., Apt. 918  
Walnut Creek, CA 94597-7935

Cynthia & Wenner Smith  
Dunwoody, Apt. F109  
3500 West Chester Pike  
Newtown Square, PA 19073

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## Prayers

**Please pray for our men and women in the armed services**, especially Michael Burns (son of Linda & Bob Burns); Christopher Crowell (son-in-law of Linda Martin); Elizabeth Hernandez (friend of Nicole Barron); and Brandon Mader (son of Amy Black).

**Prayers are also requested for:** Charline Allen (friend of Linda Stanton); Larry Areheart (friend of Andy Heller & Jane Knappe); Laura Bailey (friend of Stephanie O'Mara); Joy Baxter; Charlotte Conybear; Vickie DeSante (friend of Belle Miller); Janet Feldman (sister of Julia Friedgen); Nan Gustafson (sister of Barbara Keyser); Frank Helms (friend of Hazel Pelletreau); and Chris Marshall (friend of Erin Denman).

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## Thank You

Dear St. Paul's:

Thank you for your contribution of \$650 to Be The Match Foundation®. Your gift has been put to work to benefit the patients served by the National Marrow Donor Program®.

Every day, thousands of patients with leukemia, lymphoma and other life threatening diseases depend on contributions like yours to make marrow and umbilical cord blood transplants possible.

Your gift helps in so many ways. You bring hope to patients and their loved ones by adding more potential donors to the Be The Match Registry®, increasing the likelihood that all patients will find a match.

On behalf of the patients and families we serve, we thank you for your commitment to our mission. To learn more about the Foundation and the impact of giving, please visit [www.BeTheMatchFoundation.org](http://www.BeTheMatchFoundation.org).

*Sincerely,  
Christine Fleming  
President*



*I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers (Ephesians 1:16).*

Dear St. Paul's Lutheran Church,

**Thank you.** Your prayers, encouragement, and contributions to ELCA Missionary Sponsorship make a world of difference.

**Thank you.** Your “hand in hand” missionary sponsorship helps make it possible for 225 ELCA missionaries to teach, preach, build, grow, heal and nurture alongside global companions in 50 countries.

**Thank you.** You are a blessing. I pray that you are also blessed by generously giving and gratefully receiving.

*In Christ's service,*

*Twila Schock*

*Director, ELCA Global Mission Support*



*(The following excerpts are from a letter sent to David and Judith Harkins and Judi Zucker, by Clive and Lorna Kolbe of the Aquarius School—recipient of the this year's Vacation Bible School offering. See the August 2010 “Chimes” for a previous thank you letter sent to St. Paul's by Clive Kolbe, Coordinator of the Aquarius School Feeding Program.)*

. . . . Aquarius has been so blessed in the past that we felt we had to acknowledge where our Blessings come from, so yesterday we held a Thanksgiving Service at our Church to Honor and Praise Him. What a wonderful Service it was—the highlight was the singing of the School Choir which was very emotional and moving.

We really count our Blessings every day and thank God for our health and strength to carry on with this project.

. . . . Last week we bought a trailer so that we can deliver an extra 300 loaves of bread to the schools. We are hoping to give the schools fruit, but do not know whether it will be practical because the deciduous fruit that is in season perishes very quickly.

Our next project is the Christmas Treat; we will be filling 4200 “Party Packs” to hand out on the 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> November 2010. *(more ▶)*

We are very grateful for the support we receive from your Church and want to assure you that it is much appreciated.

God's Richest Blessings upon you and your fellow Congregants.

*Love & hugs,  
Clive & Lorna Kolbe*

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## Confirmation Class Scavenger Hunt—Nov. 7

Everyone in the Confirmation Class is invited to a scavenger hunt in St. Paul's cemetery **Sunday, November 7 from 6:00 to 7:00 pm**. Refreshments will be served. **BRING A FLASHLIGHT!**

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## Thanksgiving Eve at Saint Paul's

Please join us in Saint Paul's sanctuary on **Wednesday, November 24 at 7:00 pm** for a service of Holy Communion with St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Pastor Skip McDowell will preach and preside. The choirs of the two churches will combine their voices to provide music for this special evening.

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## St. Paul's Financial Picture

Time period: *Jan. 1, 2010 – Sep. 30, 2010*

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|---|-----------------|
| Receipts <sup>1</sup>                     | + \$330,476     |
| Disbursements <sup>1</sup>                | <u>–442,611</u> |
| <b>Subtotal:</b>                          | <b>–112,135</b> |
| Transfer from Endowment Fund <sup>2</sup> | <u>+87,525</u>  |
| <b>Total:</b>                             | <b>– 24,610</b> |

<sup>1</sup> Does not include Memorials & Gifts, Cemetery or Suspense Funds

<sup>2</sup> Approved at Congregational Meeting, Feb. 7, 2010

Waneta Peart, Financial Secretary

## Alternative Gift Market Coming— Mark your calendars!

On **Sunday, December 12**, Saint Paul's will hold its annual Alternative Gift Market. After each service, you will have the opportunity to make a donation to a variety of charitable organizations to honor someone this holiday season. When you give to one of the organizations, you will receive a gift card that you may pass along letting someone know that a gift has been given in her/his name. This is a perfect way to recognize teachers, co-workers, coaches, family members and friends!

## CROP Walk 2010



**CROP Walkers** were blessed with a beautiful day on **Sunday, October 17**. Pictured here are **Linda Stanton** (Saint Paul's CROP Walk Coordinator) with daughter **Kelsey** (*front left*) and **Frances Wilson** (*front right*).

**Blood Drive:  
Monday, November 29  
Saint Paul's Lutheran Church  
1:30 – 7:30 pm**

**“The need for blood does not take a holiday.”**

- 📍 Every two seconds someone in the U. S. needs blood.
- 📍 More than 38,000 blood donations are needed every day.
- 📍 The blood used in an emergency is already on the shelves before the event occurs.
- 📍 More than one million new people are diagnosed with cancer each year. Many of them will need blood, sometimes daily, during their chemotherapy treatment.
- 📍 A single car accident victim can require as many as 100 pints of blood.
- 📍 Blood cannot be manufactured—it can only come from generous donors.
- 📍 One donation can help save the lives of up to three people.
- 📍 The American Red Cross accepts blood donations only from volunteer donors.
- 📍 The American Red Cross supplies approximately 40 percent of the nation's blood supply.
- 📍 The Red Cross makes blood available to any patient who needs it—patients are not required to find donors to replace the blood they use (a practice common in Europe and some U. S. blood banks) allowing the patient and his/her family to focus on recovery.

Help us avoid a blood shortage in the Philadelphia region by donating at our upcoming blood drive. Someone in need will be grateful you did.

Helene Roth will be taking appointments on Sunday, November 14 and Sunday November 28. You can also contact her at 610-649-5145 or [helene.roth@verizon.net](mailto:helene.roth@verizon.net) with questions or to make an appointment.

To register online, go to [www.membersforlife.org/pennj/schedule/login](http://www.membersforlife.org/pennj/schedule/login). Enter your e-mail address, birth date and St. Paul's sponsor code (1680) to access the appointment schedule. Select desired time and click to confirm it. Your name will be added to the schedule and you will receive a reminder of your appointment. Your name and information are confidential and will not be viewable online once they have been entered.

**Help make St. Paul's blood drive a success—  
donate blood on November 29<sup>th</sup>.**

*2010 Christmas Ingathering of Gifts  
"God's Work – Our Hands"*



The mission of the Christmas Ingathering is to provide congregations in the Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod of the ELCA with an opportunity to share in Christ's love by providing holiday gifts for children in need. Saint Paul's will sponsor 100 children in this year's Christmas Ingathering. If you choose to sponsor a child, you will be asked to buy a \$25 gift that the child has asked for. The gift should be wrapped and must be returned to the church office before 10 AM Sunday, December 5<sup>th</sup>.

***IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE:***

- ★ Helene Roth will be available in the narthex on Sundays, beginning Sunday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, to help you sign up as a sponsor;
- ★ OR you may contact her at [helene.roth@verizon.net](mailto:helene.roth@verizon.net) or 610-649-5145.

Helene will provide the gift information you need about "your" child and ensure that the gift you have purchased and wrapped is delivered to him/her on Christmas Day.



## Service of LESSONS AND CAROLS

December 12

4:00 pm

Saint Paul's Sanctuary

Please mark the afternoon of Sunday, December 12 on your calendars, when we will have our second annual service of Lessons and Carols at 4:00 pm. This is perhaps the most beautiful of services for the Christmas holiday, with Scripture readings, and anthems sung by the Children's, Youth, and Adult choirs of St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

We will follow the traditional format of the Lessons and Carols service, which originated in England, and was made popular at King's college chapel in Cambridge almost 100 years ago. The lessons will follow a progression beginning with the prophecy of the birth of Christ, and continuing through the birth and appearance of the Kings.

It is the only service of the year where we can hear all of St. Paul's wonderful choirs together, and as a side benefit, we can sing some Christmas Carols during Advent!

As we did last year, we will have a reception in Fellowship Hall following the concert (care for young children will be provided in the nursery).

Please help us get in the Christmas spirit by joining us in this celebration of the season and its most beautiful music.

*Andy Heller*  
*Music Director*

# ***“Raising Dough”— A Path to Inspirational Giving***

*“Raising Dough” introduces gift planning concepts and opportunities in a recipe format. These opportunities range from gifts during your lifetime to gifts made at or after death. This is the fifth in a year-long series of recipes for inspirational giving that the Stewardship Committee is presenting each month in “The Chimes.” Feel free to contact either Carol Hammarberg or Don Parman if you would like to receive the complete “recipe box” to see which opportunities might best fit your individual situation. Individual counseling through professional advisors is available at no cost if you have questions.*

## ***Month 5 – Deferred Gift Annuity***

Uncle Fred was a businessman. He knew how to take five talents and gain five more. His reputation as a solid and successful businessman led to regular requests from his church and community to lead fundraising projects. He remembered Matthew 25:19. *You have been faithful with a few things, I will put you in charge of many things.* So when he was asked to lead, he made a habit of saying yes. He was a generous giver and did not need additional income, but he knew that his daughter would. So he funded a deferred gift annuity with appreciated stock. The Lutheran community foundation sold the stock, avoided the capital gains tax, and established the annuity to provide a monthly income to his daughter beginning 10 years later. Fred got a tax deduction that year, the annuity interest compounded for 10 years, and his daughter had guaranteed lifetime income. No one could get to the asset that supported her, and Fred’s church and the school she attended would receive a big gift many years later.

## ***The Recipe***

### *Ingredients:*

- ❖ Cash or stock (including mutual fund shares)

### *Tools Needed:*

- ❖ Secure annuity issuer, other current income

### *Results:*

- ❖ Immediate tax deduction
- ❖ Compounding interest
- ❖ Fixed income for life/lives
- ❖ Future charitable gift

Costs:

❖ None

“The man who had received the five talents brought the other five. ‘Master,’ he said ‘you entrusted me with five talents. See, I have gained five more.’ His master replied, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things, I will put you in charge of many things.’” (Matthew 25:19)



**Senior Friends Thanksgiving Luncheon**  
**Tuesday, November 16**  
**12:00 – 1:30 pm**  
**Fellowship Hall**

CATERED LUNCH  
Cost: \$10 per person

Movie: “The Art of the Steal”—  
an intriguing documentary about relocation  
of the Barnes Museum.

Please RSVP to the church office (610-642-3211).

**Let us know if we can provide transportation  
for you.**

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**



What kind of **WOMAN** would receive  
the care of a Stephen Minister?

A woman like **Sarah** . . . who faced a major change in life at an advanced age and needed someone to listen to both her joy and apprehension.

A woman like **Hagar** . . . who was abandoned along with her child and needed someone to offer her hope and remind her of God's presence.

A woman like **Hannah** . . . who struggled with her inability to bear a child and needed someone with whom to share her sadness and pain.

A woman like **Naomi** . . . who had lost her loved ones and needed someone to hear her sorrow and pain.

A woman like **Esther** . . . who was faced with a major decision and needed someone who could listen to her concerns and offer encouragement.

A woman like **Martha** . . . who was burdened by the demands of daily life and needed someone to help her regain sight of what was most important.

A woman like **Mary Magdalene** . . . who received healing from her inner turmoil and needed someone to walk with her as she built a new life

**A WOMAN LIKE YOU!**

## What kind of MAN would receive the care of a Stephen Minister?

A man like **Adam** . . . who was cut off from all that gave meaning to life and needed someone to remind him of God's promise.

A man like **Noah** . . . who witnessed the destruction of everything around him and needed someone to wait with him for a new day.

A man like **Abraham** . . . who had to leave everything he knew and loved behind him and needed someone to journey with him to a new life.

A man like **Moses** . . . who faced great opposition and needed a companion to support him and speak on his behalf.

A man like **David** . . . who grieved the death of a wayward child and needed a shepherd's care.

A man like **Peter** . . . who found himself in over his head and needed the strong hand of a faithful friend.

A man like **Paul** . . . who knew the unending distress of a thorn in the flesh and needed someone to rejoice when he rejoiced and to weep when he wept.

A man like **JESUS** . . . who knew intense disappointment, sorrow, grief, rejection, and loneliness and needed an angel of God to minister to him.

## A MAN LIKE YOU!

If you are dealing with any of the issues/problems these people faced, a Stephen Minister may be able to offer the support needed. To learn how you can be assigned a care receiver or help a friend receive care, please contact Pastor Skip McDowell (610 642-3211), Beth McElvenney (610-853-2444) or Hazel Pelletreau (610-284-6835).

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## December Birthdays

- 1 Arundhati Jane Kennedy
- 2 Jack Johnson, Jr., Rolando (Al) Luistro
- 4 Tracy Scota
- 5 Michael Brophy, Linda Martin, Diane Zimmer
- 6 Helen Somma
- 7 Phil Jacobsen
- 9 Taryn Riggs, Robert Williams
- 10 Miguel Garcia, Brianna Riggs, Heather Shaw
- 11 Craig Aronchick, David Bevan, Spencer Groff
- 12 Renate Dietzschold, Cynthia McGeever
- 13 Larry Dieter
- 14 Quentin Cachon
- 15 Sophia Harkins
- 16 Frances Denson, Constance Langzettel, Pamela Marlin, Patricia McFillin, Stephanie O'Mara
- 17 Joy Baxter, Alexia Gibb, Benjamin Hasson, Samuel Heym, Rolando Jayden Luistro, Ryan Schuster
- 18 Helen Marlin
- 19 Stephen Carroll, Jonathan Memmel
- 20 Elizabeth McCoid
- 22 Piper Billingsley, Stuart Krissinger III, Gady Schimpff
- 24 Angela Jones, Robert Perry
- 25 Michael Aleardi, Hazel Pelletreau
- 26 Liz Cassidy
- 27 Carol Henry, Barbara Keyser, Peter Lucas
- 29 Barbara Erickson, Charles Horn
- 30 Abigail Bullard, Daniel Erdos, James Perry
- 31 Grace Sweeney

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## Attention Committee Chairpersons

Annual reports for the year 2009 are due in the office no later than Thursday, December 30. Please note that reports are expected from all committees, subcommittees and groups. Observance of the deadline will greatly assist the church office in distributing the annual report to members in a timely fashion.

# Cooking at St. Paul's: A Quarter of a Century

*Imagine for a moment that you are living on the streets, hungry and confused. Every day people walk by ignoring you, averting their eyes as they step away to give you a wide berth on the sidewalk. The world is a hard and uncaring place.*

Almost twenty-five years ago, this plight moved the youth of St. Paul's to action.

*Mentored by **Linda Van Horn** in her role as youth worker, **our young people** initiated a program to prepare, serve, and share meals with women in a shelter on North Broad Street.*

The youth met after school to cook dinners, and then delivered them to Philadelphia. The program was much more than just a food delivery service. The emphasis from the beginning was to provide a meal and experience just as if these women were guests in our homes. Fresh produce, nutritious ingredients, family recipes and care went into each dinner. The youth shared in the evening—breaking bread literally and figuratively. They gave these women an immeasurable dose of Christian compassion—praying together, lifting hymns with combined voices, and bringing Christ's love where it was desperately needed and much appreciated.

The program evolved with the group's partnership with Trevor's Place in Philadelphia. Trevor Ferrell was eleven in 1983 when the spirit moved him to begin collecting and delivering blankets to the homeless huddling beneath underpasses and on steam vents in the city. Trevor's Campaign blossomed into a nationally recognized nonprofit that served Philadelphia's homeless population with education, counseling, meals, and shelter.

It was through Trevor that our youth and adult volunteers transitioned to cooking and serving on the street in the vicinity of 8<sup>th</sup> and Race streets.

*Many a cold winter's night **our congregants** could be spotted handing out hot dinners from the side of a van or truck.*

By now there were many more volunteers, and participation had expanded to support a vibrant and busy schedule for shopping, cooking, and delivery. (➔)

*During this period, **David Curtin** joined the program as one of the head cooks. **He and Linda were tireless in their efforts** to plan, shop and oversee high quality home-style dinner preparations.*

No garlic powder for this crew—one team is known for peeling and chopping their garlic cloves. Another group tirelessly peeled dozens of pounds of potatoes and carrots—nothing frozen for this team. We also have heard reminiscences of cooks standing over hot stoves for hours in the sauna of a hot July afternoon to fry chicken. The years are full of untold stories of selfless devotion and unsung heroes.

Handing out hot meals on the street corner was not without risk. Admiration and gratitude are due to the volunteers who put their personal safety aside to serve their fellow men and women. Hungry and cold individuals could potentially grow aggressive as the truck pulled up at night.

*During these evenings, **Court Kanzinger** was **always a calming presence**. He wandered among the waiting people, patting backs, clapping a shoulder, making eye contact and easy banter. As he greeted each new face with a friendly and genuine smile, tensions eased.*

The last major change in the history of the cooking program occurred when Mayor Rendell ordered all feeding of the homeless to be done through shelters—on-street serving was banned. At this time, St. Paul's partnered with the Life Center of Eastern Delaware County in Upper Darby to provide 200 – 250 meals once each month.

The cooking and serving program at St. Paul's has a rich and long history, but it is a tapestry full of threads—each server, every cook, all the volunteers have woven a beautiful part of St. Paul's outreach ministry to our greater community.

***Almost everyone at St. Paul's** has participated as a volunteer or a donor to support this worthwhile effort.*

As we thank all those who have come forward throughout the last 25 years, we also look to the future. What do the next 25 years hold for this program and those it serves? As we look to November Thanksgiving turkeys and December Christmas hams, let us always be mindful of our less fortunate brothers and sisters in Christ.

*Then the King will say to those on his right, "Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, . . . ."*

Matthew 25:34-35

# *Council Corner*

## **Lisa Lexa Social Ministry Chair**

I was born in Toledo, Ohio, but moved to Blue Bell at age four where I grew up with two brothers and a sister.

The waters of Cayuga called me away for four years at Cornell, but I returned to the area after graduation. I put my BA in Economics to work as a securities and options trader, and got my CFA in 1985.

After marriage, I turned my time and energy to home, family, and nonprofits. There are so many worthwhile places to spend time and energy, and life has always been a juggling act. Most recently my commitments are to my daughter's school, neighborhood associations, Stephen Ministry, Social Ministry, Cornell, and many terrific endeavors.

My husband drafted me into the world of competitive running. Under his watchful coaching, I raced and trained for ten years—including four marathons. Surprise, surprise—the running fell by the wayside in 2003 after we traveled to China and came home with our daughter Frances.

Faith, family and friends are the three priorities of my life. Worship and the many activities at St. Paul's refresh and renew my soul. Seeing my nieces and nephews grow from babies into wonderful young men and women, celebrating my parents' 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, having a special "girls only" night with my daughter—these are the moments that bring me joy. I am lucky to have some incredible women in my life—true blessings for me. They make me laugh, they keep me grounded, and they share the milestones—both good and bad.

## SAVE THE DATE!

### Women's dinner

Tuesday, December 7 at 6:00 pm. Location to be announced

### Families with Young Children: Breakfast with Santa

Saturday, December 11, 9:30 – 11:30 am, Fellowship Hall

### Senior Friends catered Christmas luncheon & songfest

Tuesday, December 14, 12 noon in Fellowship Hall; cost: \$10 per person

### Women's Retreat

Friday and Saturday, February 18 & 19, 2011 at the Franciscan Spiritual Center in Aston

### Harvey Cedars Youth Retreat 2011

Friday, Saturday & Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> (two nights & three days) in Harvey Cedars, NJ, for youth in grades 6 through 12



### Gifts of Flowers for the Altar

Consider becoming a weekly or monthly sponsor of altar flowers for Sunday morning worship. The cost of the flowers is \$25 per week, \$100 or \$125 per month. **Flowers are needed for Sundays in December.** A sign-up chart for sponsoring altar flowers is available in Fellowship Hall, or you may call Dottie Buchanan at 610-789-8092 to make your request. Once you have signed up, you will receive confirmation of your sponsorship and information about how to make your payment. The dedication(s) for your flowers will be published in the appropriate Sunday bulletin(s).



## Christmas Decorations & Music

I/We would like to share in decorating Saint Paul's for Christmas by donating the following item(s):

In loving memory of \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) of donor(s): \_\_\_\_\_

|  |                     |
|--|---------------------|
| _____ Poinsettias @ \$10.00 per plant    | = \$ _____ enclosed |
| _____ Wreaths @ \$25.00 each             | = \$ _____ enclosed |
| Contribution toward pine roping          | = \$ _____ enclosed |
| Contribution toward cemetery decorations | = \$ _____ enclosed |
| <b>Total</b>                             | = \$ _____ enclosed |



I/We would like to sponsor a musician for the Christmas Eve services:

In loving memory of \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) of donor(s): \_\_\_\_\_

|  |                     |
|--|---------------------|
| _____ Brass/string instrumentalist(s) @ \$250.00 | = \$ _____ enclosed |
| Entire string quartet @ \$1000.00                | = \$ _____ enclosed |
| Donation in any amount                           | = \$ _____ enclosed |
| <b>Total</b>                                     | = \$ _____ enclosed |

Any funds received in excess of the actual cost of the string quartet will be used to support the music program at Saint Paul's. Names of all contributors will appear in the Christmas Eve bulletin.

The church office must receive your completed form and check payable to *St. Paul's Lutheran Church* **no later than Wednesday, December 15**, in order to include your information in the bulletin.

# DECEMBER CALENDAR

Thursday, December 2

9:15 – 11:15 am

Community Bible Study / throughout church

1:00 – 2:30 pm

Women's Bible Study/Kugler Room

6:30 pm

Children's choir rehearsal

7:30 pm

Adult choir rehearsal

Saturday, December 4

8:30 am

Men's Bible Study/Kugler Room

Sunday, December 5

8:40 am

Matins choir warm-up

9:00 am

Holy Communion (Family Worship—*no Sunday School*)

Holy Communion

Youth choir rehearsal

Tuesday, December 7

TBA

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6:00 pm

Women's dinner/location to be announced

7:00 pm

AA/Kugler Room

Thursday, December 9

9:15 – 11:15 am

Community Bible Study/throughout church

1:00 – 2:30 pm

Women's Bible Study/Kugler Room

6:30 pm

Children's choir rehearsal

7:15 pm

Council meeting/Kugler Room

7:30 pm

Adult choir rehearsal

Saturday, December 11

8:30 am

Men's Bible Study/Kugler Room

9:30 – 11:30 am

Families w. Young Children Breakfast w.

Santa/Fellowship Hall

**Sunday, December 12—Alternative Gift Fair after both services**

8:40 am

Matins Choir

9:00 am

Sunday School

9:00 am

Holy Communion

10:45 am

Holy Communion

7:00 pm

Lessons & Carols Service/Sanctuary

8:30 pm

Reception following Lessons & Carols service / Fellowship Hall

Monday, December 13

5:30 – 9:00 pm

Interfaith Hospitality Network/St. Mary's

Episcopal Church, Ardmore

7:00 pm

Stephen Ministry/Kugler Room

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| Tuesday, December 14                |  |
| 12:00 noon                          | Senior Friends catered Christmas luncheon & songfest/Fellowship Hall |
| 7:00 pm                             | AA/Kugler Room   |
| Thursday, December 16               |  |
| 1:00 – 2:30 pm                      | Women’s Bible study/Kugler Room                                      |
| 6:30 pm                             | Children’s choir rehearsal   |
| 7:30 pm                             | Adult choir rehearsal  |
| Saturday, December 18               |  |
| 8:30 am                             | Men’s Bible Study/Kugler Room  |
| TBA                                 | Decorate church for Christmas  |
| Sunday, December 19                 |  |
| 8:40 am                             | Matins choir warm-up   |
| 9:00 am                             | Christmas Pageant  |
| 10:45 am                            | Holy Communion   |
| TBA                                 | Cooking for the hungry/St. Paul’s basement kitchen                   |
| Tuesday, December 21                |  |
| 7:00 pm                             | AA/Kugler Room   |
| Friday, December 24: Christmas Eve  | —OFFICE CLOSED   |
| 5:00 pm                             | Holy Communion (Christmas Eve service)                               |
| 7:00 pm                             | Holy Communion (Christmas Eve service)                               |
| 11:00 pm                            | Holy Communion (Christmas Eve service)                               |
| Saturday, December 25               | —Christmas Day   |
| Sunday, December 26                 | —One service only; no Sunday School                                  |
| 9:30 am                             | Holy Communion   |
| Monday, December 27                 | —OFFICE CLOSED   |
| Tuesday, December 28                |  |
| 7:00 pm                             | AA/Kugler Room   |
| Friday, December 31: New Year’s Eve | —OFFICE CLOSED   |

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