

# *The Chimes*

*October 7, 2008*

## *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*

*Saint Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church  
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# *Save the Date!*

**The 2009 Annual Meeting will be held**

**Sunday, February 1, 2009**

**following worship at 9:30 am**

*(one service only on this date; no Sunday School)*

The meeting will be held in the Sanctuary—  
luncheon to follow in the Fellowship Hall

*All members are encouraged to attend this very important  
meeting and to remain for the luncheon that follows.*

## *Stewardship Calendar*

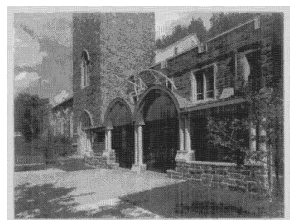
On the following Sundays—**October 26, November 2 and November 9**—Saint Paul's players will be performing one act plays spreading the Stewardship message. **Sunday, November 16, is Commitment Sunday.**

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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, November 4**. Your articles are due in the office no later than noon on **Monday, October 27**. Thank you!

## *Thoughts from the Pastor*



***Rejoice in the lord always...  
Do not worry about anything,  
but in everything by prayer and supplication  
let your requests be made known to God.  
And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding  
will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.  
Philippians 4:4-7)***

Dear Friends:

**W**e are going through some difficult, confusing, and grief-laden times as I write this article. The resignation of Pastor Julie has evoked in me (and I know in you) just about every emotion imaginable, all of them profound. The meetings with the Council and congregation were helpful to me as I got to hear your anger, fears, sorrow, and expressions of love for her, for me, and for our congregation.

But what I also heard at those meetings and in subsequent visits, phone calls, and e-mails was your individual and communal sense of resolve! I have been hearing a determination from many of you of, "Where do we go from here?" And I want you to know how much that resolve and your prayers for me have lifted me up. So many of you have volunteered to do "anything" I need. Some of you are going to help teach Confirmation, others are picking up other programs that need tending. Still others have stepped forward to visit with people who are hurting.

The congregation has truly become a living witness of the Priesthood of All Believers, not only in the ways you have ministered to me, but in your eagerness to minister to each other, to heal our wounds, and to move the vision of this church forward.

I pledge to you that I, too, will do my best in this healing process. All of us together will strengthen and increase the witness of Saint Paul's, Ardmore, as we grow darkness into light.

In Christ.

*Pastor Skip McDowell*  
Pastor Skip McDowell

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## Death

Edith Brown died on September 29, 2008. We pray for Edith's family and thank God for her life and the promise of the Resurrection.

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## Baptism

James (Jack) Conybear, son of Ellen and Jeffrey Conybear, was baptized on September 21, 2008.

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## Change of Address

Jennifer & Kevin Chudy  
561 Farnum Road  
Media, PA 19063

Kimberly Dieter  
266 Old Eagle School Road, #1  
Wayne, PA 19087-2454

Barbara Gibson  
676 Townbank Road, Apt. 211  
North Cape May, NJ 08204

Sanford Groff  
341 East 30<sup>th</sup> Street  
Baltimore, MD 21218-3933

Marcus Gustafsson  
709 Forest Avenue  
Westfield, NJ 07090-4322

Christopher & Susan Holland  
1008 Brick House Farm Lane  
Newtown Square, PA 19073-2780

Erle Krauss  
731 Old Buck Lane, #304  
Haverford, PA 19041-1233

Steven Krohn  
555 Ferndale Lane  
Haverford, PA 19041-1614

Maria Muñoz  
4250 East 29<sup>th</sup> Street, Apt. 73  
Tucson, AZ 85711-6119

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## Prayer Chain

Prayers are requested for: Craig Althouse (friend of Linda & Bob Burns); Bill Buchanan; Lucille Byrne; Renée Connell (sister-in-law of Lois Connell); Richard Connell (brother of Lois Connell); John Dougherty (friend of Carol Henry); Janet Feldman (sister of Julia Friedgen); Nan Gustafson (sister of Barbara Keyser); Del Maurer (father of Kevin Maurer); Michael Melichar (son-in-law of Joan Swan); Jim Moran (brother of Mike Moran); Mike Moran; Joanne Mullin; Laird Robertson; Cynthia Smith; and Micki Walton (friend of Judi Zucker).

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## Thank You

Dear Vacation Bible School Members,

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to the Vacation Bible School for your generous donation of \$590.48 to *Cradles to Crayons*. Your caring generosity will make it possible for us to provide essential items to many children living in poverty who are in desperate need of support.

Because of the support of so many individuals and organizations like yours, we have already been able to provide support to over 8,000 children since we opened our doors in June of 2007, and the pace of growth continues to be very strong.

Please come to visit us at our Horsham warehouse whenever you can to see how we do our work, and to join in the volunteer activities.

Thank you for caring.

*With warmest regards,  
Jennifer Case, Founder and President  
Cradles to Crayons*

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## Saint Paul's Library: Update

The cataloguing of Saint Paul's library on the computer is almost completed. The library committee would like to thank Jay Marcellus for his donation of a computer monitor when the original monitor died.

The library is open for lending. When you borrow a book, please sign your name on the book card and leave the card in the box near the door; or note the title, author and your name on a piece of paper and leave it in the box. When returning books, please do not re-shelve them; simply place them on the cart. We hope to have published catalogs and updated lending procedures by the end of the year. Stay tuned for the grand re-opening!

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## Free Monthly Blood Pressure Screening

On the first Sunday of every month, you have the opportunity to have your blood pressure checked by a qualified Saint Paul's volunteer. Simply stop by the nursery after worship to take advantage of this important health check.

## ***Raising Dough – A Path to Inspirational Giving***

**Planned Giving Seminar at Saint Paul's**

**Sunday, October 12  
11:30 am in the Kugler Room**

**All are invited; lunch provided**

Thanks to a generous grant from Thrivent Financial Foundation, KenCrest is sponsoring a *Raising Dough* seminar here at Saint Paul's.

*Raising Dough* presents the basics of gift planning:

- ❖ Uses a “bread” theme to emphasize the Biblical basis of stewardship of resources;
- ❖ Introduces gift planning concepts and opportunities in a recipe format.

To learn more about the basics of gift planning, join us in the Kugler Room on Sunday, October 12 at 11:30 a.m., for lunch and the seminar.

## ***First Senior Friends Event of the Season***

**October 15  
12:00 to 1:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall**

**Join us for a catered lunch and an afternoon of BINGO!**

**Cost: \$10.00**

**Menu: Roast beef, mashed potatoes, peas & carrots**

Please register with the church office by Friday, October 10, if you plan to attend this event (610-642-3211).

## Have you thought about becoming a Stephen Minister?



We will be starting our 2<sup>nd</sup> training class in January 2009.

No doubt about it . . . this ministry requires a major commitment. There are 50 hours of training, and then you'll be matched with a care receiver. You will meet with your care receiver once a week for about one hour. There is also Peer Group Supervision and Continuing Education twice a month.

But as with most things that require a lot, the rewards are great, too. You will:

- Discover, cultivate, and use the spiritual gifts you have been blessed with;
- See yourself as an active partner in the mission and ministry of the church;
- Find all aspects of your life enriched by the distinctively Christian caregiving skills you learn and practice;
- Experience great joy seeing God work through you as you bring hope and healing to a hurting person;
- Grow spiritually as you experience the Lord's loving presence in community with other Christian caregivers.

There will be **Information Sessions** on **Sunday, October 26** at 11:30 am (*lunch will be served*), and **Tuesday, October 28** at 7:00 pm, in the Kugler Room. If you have the slightest interest in this ministry, please come and learn more about it and ask questions of Stephen Ministers. If possible, please RSVP to the church office (610-642-3211), or Beth McElvenney ([bethmcelvenney@yahoo.com](mailto:bethmcelvenney@yahoo.com) or 610-853-2444).

If you cannot make either of these sessions, but would like more information, please talk to Pastor Skip or any of our Stephen Leaders here at Saint Paul's:

Beth McElvenney	610-853-2444
Hazel Pelletreau	610-284-6835
Toni Whaley	610-896-7193

## November Birthdays

- 1 Melissa Erickson, Karen Snyder
- 2 Joanne Mullin
- 3 Michael Joyce, Helen McCloskey
- 4 Reed Lukasiewicz
- 5 Kathryn Kerr, Matthew Wendelken
- 6 Sarah Carstens, Paul DeLomba, Madison Tintera
- 7 Maria Bodi, Gib Harris
- 8 Carolyn Ashburn, Susan Mazzanobile, Nancy McCoy
- 9 Conrad Sides
- 10 Lee McCracken, Tony O'Gara
- 11 Robert Aronchick
- 12 Weston Klimas, Logan Reasoner
- 14 Samantha Aronchick, Eric Herrschaft, Libby Hoyer, Grace McCabe, Bridget Mullin, Ray Williams
- 15 Margaret Gibb
- 17 Amanda Janasik, Boofie Younkin
- 19 Hilary Clark
- 20 Alexander Buzby, Lynda Kozarski, Lisa McCabe, Meghan McFillin, Cynthia Smith
- 21 Stark Lash
- 22 Larry DeWarf, Christine Mazzanobile
- 23 Carol Hammarberg, Daniel Penne
- 24 Xavier Cachon, Paige Henderson, Glenn Riggs, Jr., Donna Wren
- 25 Gardiner Warner
- 26 Laura Dormans, Ava Reasoner
- 29 Dawn Klimas, Margaret Lucas, Reginald Speir, Jr.
- 30 Connor McCabe

### **Have you filled out your Saint Paul's Volunteer Form yet?**

If not, be sure to pick up a form at the Visitor's Center, fill it out, and return it to the church office. Even if you currently participate in an ongoing activity or committee at St. Paul's or help out occasionally for special events, please fill out a form. We want to add this information to the congregational directory for our members.

As always, we welcome the participation of St. Paul's youth in our volunteer programs! Please check out our brochure of volunteer opportunities and complete a volunteer form. There are many interesting and worthwhile activities to choose from.

Remember, there is no limit to the number of committees on which you can serve, so consider adding a new activity to your volunteer schedule. Committee chairs will contact you about your interest in their committee's activities.

If you have any questions about volunteer opportunities at St. Paul's, please call Helene Roth at 610-649-5145 or e-mail at [helene.roth@verizon.net](mailto:helene.roth@verizon.net).

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**Save the Dates!**

**“Messiah” Seminar**

**Two Wednesday evenings: November 5 & 12  
7:00 pm in the Kugler Room**

**Leader: Andy Heller, Saint Paul’s Music Director**

We will examine the career of Handel as contrasted with his contemporary, J. S. Bach (both born in Germany in 1685, but with vastly different career paths). Also, we will discuss how “Messiah” came to be, and of course the musical and text elements that have made it one of the most beloved works of classical music.

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**2008 CHRISTMAS INGATHERING OF GIFTS: SPONSORS NEEDED**



The mission of the Christmas Ingathering is to provide congregations in the Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod of the ELCA with the 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 “your” child a \$25 gift that the child has asked for. The gift should be wrapped and returned to the church office anytime before 10 AM Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup>.

**If you would like to participate:**

- **Sign up with Helene Roth in the narthex beginning Sunday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, OR**
- **Send her an e-mail at [helene.roth@verizon.net](mailto:helene.roth@verizon.net), OR**
- **Call her at 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.

# Council Corner

Jim Schneider, Finance

## **Where were you born?**

I was born in Elkart, Indiana and have been a life-long Lutheran.

## **How do you spend your days?**

I work for American Express, where I am General Manager, responsible for the corporate travel relationship between American Express Business Travel and the Bank of America.

## **What do you do in your free time?**

When Kevin and I aren't at either Costco or the King of Prussia Mall, I most enjoy spending quality time with friends and their families, many of whom are also members of Saint Paul's Ardmore. Recently, we've taken up recreational bike riding around Fairmount Park or riding the paths around Valley Forge, normally trying to outpace the Frey children. Max [Frey] normally wins.

## **What brought you here?**

Being a life-long Lutheran, while Kevin was raised Methodist, sometimes presented a spiritual relationship challenge. So, I set out on a quest to find a congregation and a place of worship that would be conducive for both of us. After several visits to a number of ELCA churches, I found Pastor Miller and the members of Saint Paul's to be the most desirable and welcoming. It didn't take long for Kevin to have a similar sentiment, and more than ten years later we're still here and care very deeply about our church, our community and friends.

## *New Orleans Or Bust*

In July of 2009, twelve of our youth, along with two daring chaperones, will travel to New Orleans to attend the National Lutheran Youth Gathering. Along with 36,000 other attendees, our youth will be working in the communities on several hands-on projects, as well as participating in different discussion groups, cultural experiences, and daily worship in the Superdome. This is a great opportunity for our youth to meet, work, and attend worship with other youth from all over the country.

In the months to come, this group will be hosting several fundraising projects, as the cost of this trip is estimated at \$1,200 per person. Please help our youth to reach their goal of \$17,000 by supporting the many well-planned and unique fundraisers they have in store for you.

*Thank you,  
The New Orleans or Bust Fundraising Committee*

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*Please help Saint Paul's youth*

**RAISE DOUGH**

*for the 2009 ELCA*

*Youth Gathering in New Orleans*

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Orders for "Mom's Bake at Home" pizzas, stromboli, and cookie dough will be taken after each service during the last three weeks of October. The pizzas and cookie dough are made **fresh** the morning of the delivery, but frozen stromboli are always great to keep in the freezer for a quick healthy snack. For your convenience, your orders will be delivered to our church the morning of November 2<sup>nd</sup>, just in time for your afternoon Eagles parties or for an easy meal after a day of family activities. If that date does not work for you, but you want to keep the "dough" rolling in, please consider vouchers for future purchases at "Mom's Bake at Home" in Havertown. We hope you will enjoy a meal or two while helping Saint Paul's youth understand what it means to live in relationship and service with each other in the manner of Christ. If you have any questions, contact Lorie Foust at 610-525-4839 or [mfoust1@comcast.net](mailto:mfoust1@comcast.net).

***Note to congregation:** The Northeastern Diocese of Tanzania is the companion synod/ diocese to our own Southeastern Pennsylvania Synod. The desire to become more involved with our companion synod led us to change our sponsorship to a new missionary, Barbara Robertson. She has served in Tanzania since 1999, and most recently was the HIV/ AIDS program officer responsible for developing and implementing a program to deal with HIV/ AIDS for the communities in the area served by the Morogoro Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Tanzania. Barbara has other sponsors in Pennsylvania and our hope is to meet and host her next summer when it is likely that she will return for a visit. Please welcome Barbara and add her to your prayers!*

## *Letter from Missionary Barbara Robertson Morogoro, Tanzania*

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Grace and Peace to you from Our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

More than a few months have passed since I last wrote. Somehow the days just seem to slip by and before one realizes, several months have passed.



The month of May was divided into two activities – work and play. The first half of the month was spent at a 10-day workshop on developing a proposal for primary health care. I was there with a number of colleagues from the diocese. (Even though I am no longer working as the diocese development and planning officer as of 15 April, I was on the team that attended last year's session so I was asked to attend the workshop to provide continuity for the new team members. This was a real WORKshop! But by the end, we have a fairly comprehensive plan for primary health care for the diocese.

Immediately after the workshop, I hopped on a bus and made the two day trip to Haydom, the village where I lived from September 1999 to December 2004. I spent ten days there visiting with friends and my Tanzanian family. It was amazingly chilly compared to Morogoro. Living in the coastal plains these days, I had forgotten how cold it can be at 6000 ft! Last year when my sister gave me a warm polar fleece pullover, I wondered when I would ever use it. Well, it came in mighty handy!

My days in Haydom were filled daily visiting a friend who is living with late stage breast cancer, walking through town and visiting friends. I stayed with my Tanzanian daughter and every morning I walked my five year old granddaughter to pre-school. It was a wonderful time of renewing relationships with those I hold very dear to my heart.

From there, I went to Arusha to bid farewell to Tom and Sally Roach. They were our ELCA representatives for four years. I sorely miss them. Their leaving was hard as they are people I admire and who could be counted on for good ideas and advice. I remember them all the time as I was assigned their Land Cruiser.

As many of you know, I had been waiting to hear as to whether or not ELCA would be extending another contract to me. I received news the first of June that my position will continue to be funded for another four years. That contract will start in July 2009. I'm grateful that ELCA knows a year in advance what will happen, giving all parties involved a chance to adequately prepare for what lies ahead.

The rest of June was spent back in the office working on HIV/AIDS-related project proposals. July brought visitors from the US. Twelve people from my home congregation (Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, Olympia, Washington) came for 12 days. It was busy, busy, busy but a very interesting time.

I think the most interesting time they had might have been when we went out to our diocese's clinic. It's in quite a remote place. The road even in the dry season is horrible. When we were less than three km from the clinic, we ran into a 30 yard section of the road that was a mud pit. There is a spring there and for some reason this year it spilled into the road. But before we could get through, we had to wait an hour until a small lorry that was stuck (with its less than powerful engine and prerequisite bald tires!) was pushed out. With the Land Cruiser in low four-wheel drive and locked front wheels, it plowed right through. The boys who have been making a little bit of money pushing cars out were disappointed when I didn't get stuck!

One day the group made a visit to homes of people living with HIV/AIDS. We split up into two groups and each visited five or six households. Our group's first visit was to Maria's house. Maria's health was not very good that day, however she greeted everyone and told us how she was in Grade Five, liked math, and one day hoped to have a pair of purple high heeled shoes. For most members of the group, it was the first face-to-face encounter with someone living with AIDS. The tragedy of AIDS was brought home in a powerful punch the next day when we learned that Maria had died during the night. There were many tears as we talked about her and offered prayers for her family.

August brought more guests. New friends from Washington State came to learn about the work of the diocese, especially our secondary school which is in the planning and fund raising phase. A few days after they left, a medical team from our sister synod (Arkansas-Oklahoma) came for two weeks. They did a lot of great work and treated many, many people. Little did I know I was one of the recipients of their ministrations!

I had gotten a small wound on my ankle at the end of July. It healed up ok but stayed a bit swollen. Well, it suddenly exploded into cellulitis and septicemia (blood poisoning) – both potentially life threatening conditions. I don't think I have ever been that sick in my life! I wound up in the hospital for a couple of days (I was at the hospital where the medical team was working). I had minor surgery to open and

drain the wound. My dear friends, Tanzanian and expatriates alike, visited and fed me while in the hospital. (No hospital here provides food service to patients, making one reliant on the grace of friends and family.) My beloved sister, Ruth Mmari, not only stayed with me at the hospital one night but also cared for me at home for several days afterwards.

Three and a half weeks have now passed and I'm doing great. My one challenge is that I still need to keep my foot elevated. That's not very easily done at my office so I'm mostly working at home. I do make appearances at the office occasionally though. When I run into people who haven't seen me for several weeks, they often say, "why aren't you home in bed" because my ankle still looks pretty nasty. My response is, "are you kidding? This is 95% better than it was and I'm doing great!"

I am normally healthy so these health issues make me wonder: is this where I'm supposed to be? I don't have much patience with my being ill or injured – though I'm very compassionate toward others in a similar situation. When I started going to the office after about ten days of rest, my beloved bishop came by the house and told me to stay home until I was totally well. "You Americans! You don't know how to rest! Barbara, work here at home with your foot up. If you get tired, lie down and read a book or watch a video. I really would rather not see you in the office until you are totally healed. Do you understand?" His words were such a blessing to me. It was exactly what I needed to relax and take care of myself. I am no longer pushing to get back in the office. When something arises that needs my attention there, I go for a few hours and then head back home. Amazingly, his words were a blessing in disguise.

I wish to thank you all for your prayers over the past months. I am convinced that they were instrumental in carrying me through a difficult time. I am thankful for the love of friends, good health and two feet.

May God bless and keep you all as you move into Autumn. May you take time to marvel at the changing colours of the season. May you live in hope of new life!

*Barbara Robertson  
Morogoro, Tanzania*

A 2008 sign-up chart for sponsoring altar flowers for Sunday morning worship is available in the narthex. (Or you can sign up by calling Dottie Buchanan at 610-789-8092.)

**Flowers are needed for the following Sundays:  
November 9, 23, and 30.**

The cost of the flowers is \$25. Once you have signed up, you will receive confirmation of your sponsorship and information about how to make your payment.

# CROP WALK

**Sunday, October 19, 1:00 pm**

Mark your calendars, get out your wallet or checkbook or put on your sneakers . . .this year you and I can make a difference and help those with so much less get more: more food, more education, more clean water to drink.

This year we are again joining the Ardmore/Main Line Crop Walk. This is the 30<sup>th</sup> annual Main Line Walk! We will meet at the Suburban Square parking lot (in Ardmore across from Ruby's) for the 10k (6.2) mile walk. For those who are not sure they can walk that far, the route is down Lancaster Ave., returning via Montgomery Ave., so you can turn around at any point, if need be.

Last year we contributed \$465, which may have provided a start-up loan to enable women to begin a business, such as making school uniforms. Once the loan is repaid, it becomes part of the revolving loan fund for other women who otherwise might not be eligible through a traditional banking system.

This year, if we raise \$1000, we can buy a pump and community hygiene training for an entire village, assuring a reliable source of water and improved community health. Amazing how we take clean water for granted and just assume that we'll have enough clean water for drinking, bathing and doing laundry.

## **Here's how it works:**

- **Sign up and receive a Crop Walker envelope.**
- **Fill out the information requested & ask friends, family, co-workers & neighbors to help you help others by making a donation.**
- **Bring the envelope (with all contributions inside [checks made out to *St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church*]) with you on the day of the walk, & give it to Linda Stanton.**

If you can't walk that day, you can still participate . . . Volunteer to be a crossing guard or contribute to someone in the congregation who is walking. This is a great opportunity for a fun family activity. Baby strollers are welcome.

**See or call Linda Stanton (610-645-7752) for more information or to sign up.**

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## MEETINGS & GATHERINGS—MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

### **Miriam Circle**

*The next meeting of the Miriam Circle is Tuesday, November 4, at 1:30 pm in the second floor Meeting Room. All women—members & friends—are welcome. For additional information, contact Judi Zucker at 610-525-7582.*

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### **Saturday Morning Men's Bible Study**

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

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### **Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study**

*10:00 am in the Kugler Room. All women of Saint Paul's are welcome!*

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### **Next Women's Retreat – SAVE THE DATE:**

**February 20 – 21, 2009, Franciscan Spirituality Center in Aston, Penna.** *Come and explore the "Bad Girls of the Bible" with Pastor Dayle Malloy\* from Trinity Lutheran Church in Lansdale. In our time together we'll attempt to breathe new life into ancient stories depicting several of the most infamous women in scriptural history, from Jezebel to Delilah. We'll dig into their pasts and discover all that their lives can teach us about ourselves today. This retreat promises to open our hearts and minds to these biblical women and their stories and to help us all to discover the power of God to rule our hearts and our lives even when we're "bad."*

*\* Pastor Dayle A. Malloy is a graduate of the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia. She has served Trinity Lutheran Church in Lansdale, Penna., for over ten years as Pastor of Evangelism, Congregational Care, Lay Ministry and Parish Life. Pastor Malloy has four sons, two daughters-in-law, and one amazing granddaughter, Anna. She lives with her two beautiful chocolate Labs, Rosie and Nellie. You may remember Pastor Malloy as our guest preacher for Consecration Sunday, November 18, 2007.*

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### **The next selection for Saint Paul's Book Club:**

#### **LEFT TO TELL**

**by Immaculée Ilibagiza**

Immaculée shares the miraculous story of how she survived during the Rwanda genocide in 1994 when she and seven other women huddled silently together in the cramped bathroom of a local pastor's house for 91 days! In this captivating and inspiring book, Immaculée shows us how to embrace the power of prayer, forge a profound and lasting relationship with God, and discover the importance of forgiveness and the meaning of truly unconditional love and understanding through our darkest hours.

**October 29 at 7:00 pm in the Kugler Room**

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# Families with Young Children Halloween Party



Sunday, October 26  
5:00 - 6:30 pm  
Fellowship Hall

Come in costume for a Halloween contest, dinner & crafts

Families, please bring food items, as follows:

A - M: desserts  
N - Z: side dishes



Please call the church office (610-642-3211) to register for the party.  
A free-will offering will be taken to defray the cost of this event.

**The INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK (IHN) of the Main Line provides a caring and positive environment for homeless families and their children while they design and implement a plan to break the cycle of homelessness in their lives.**

**IHN needs your help on Monday, October 27 . . .**

Saint Paul's is scheduled to provide dinner and babysit for the families in the Interfaith Hospitality Network who will be staying at St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Ardmore on Monday, October 27<sup>th</sup>.



- We need people to help with dinner: 5:00 – 6:30 pm
- Babysitting/helping with homework: 6:30 – 7:30 pm
- Hosting (a responsible adult to be there until the overnight person arrives): 7:30 – 9:00 pm

This can be a family activity . . . bring your children and enjoy an evening out. We eat dinner with the guests, then babysit, play, or help with homework while the parents attend a money management class.

If you would be interested in helping provide a part of the dinner (salad or dessert), or can stop over for an hour or two, please contact Beth McElvenney (610-853-2444 or [bethmcelvenney@yahoo.com](mailto:bethmcelvenney@yahoo.com)).

# NOVEMBER CALENDAR

Saturday, November 1	
8:30 am	Men's Bible study/Kugler Room
Sunday, November 2 ( <i>Free blood pressure checks between services</i> )	
8:40 am	Matins choir warm-up
9:00 am	Holy Communion
10:30 am	Holy Communion
7:00 pm	Youth choir rehearsal
Monday, November 3	
7:00 – 9:30 pm	Stephen Ministry/Kugler Room & Meeting Room
Tuesday, November 4	
9:30 am	Staff meeting
TBA	Prepare November <i>Chimes</i> for mailing
1:30 pm	Miriam Circle/2 <sup>nd</sup> floor Meeting Room
7:00 pm	AA/Fellowship Hall
Wednesday, November 5	
<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>"Messiah" seminar (session # 1)/ Kugler Room</b>
Thursday, November 6	
6:30 pm	Children's choir rehearsal
7:15 pm	Council meeting/Kugler Room
7:30 pm	Adult choir rehearsal
Saturday, November 8	
8:30 am	Men's Bible study/Kugler room
Sunday, November 9	
8:40 am	Matins choir warm-up
9:00 am	Holy Communion
10:30 am	Holy Communion
7:00 pm	Youth choir rehearsal
Tuesday, November 11	
9:30 am	Staff meeting
7:00 pm	AA/Fellowship Hall
Wednesday, November 12	
<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>"Messiah" seminar (session # 2)/ Kugler Room</b>
Thursday, November 13	
6:30 pm	Children's choir rehearsal
7:30 pm	Adult choir rehearsal
Saturday, November 15	
8:30 am	Men's Bible study/Kugler Room
Sunday, November 16—Commitment Sunday	
8:40 am	Matins choir warm-up
9:00 am	Holy Communion
10:30 am	Holy Communion
TBA	Cooking for the hungry / basement kitchen
7:00 pm	Youth choir rehearsal

<b>Monday, November 17</b>	
11:00 am – 7:30 pm	Bishop’s Convocation (day 1)/Willow Valley Resort, Lancaster, PA
7:00 – 9:30 pm	Stephen Ministry/Kugler Room
<b>Tuesday, November 18</b>	
All day	Bishop’s Convocation (day 2)/Lancaster, PA
9:30 am	Staff meeting
6:00 – 7:30 pm	Families w. Young Children & Senior Friends Thanksgiving dinner/Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	AA/Meeting Room
<b>Wednesday, November 19—Committee Night (see 7 pm block, below)</b>	
8:45 – 11:15 am	Bishop’s Convocation (final day)/Lancaster, PA
12:00 noon	Senior Friends brown bag lunch & presentation: “Cooking for 1 or 2”/Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	Christian Education/3 <sup>rd</sup> floor front room Evangelism/Meeting Room Parish Activities/Kugler Room Social Ministry/Volunteer Room Stewardship/Fellowship Hall Worship & Music/Choir Room
<b>Thursday, November 20</b>	
6:30 pm	Children’s choir rehearsal
7:30 pm	Adult choir rehearsal
<b>Saturday, November 22</b>	
8:30 am	Men’s Bible study/Kugler Room
<b>Sunday, November 23</b>	
8:40 am	Matins choir warm-up
9:00 am	Holy Communion
10:30 am	Holy Communion
7:00 pm	Youth choir rehearsal
<b>Tuesday, November 25</b>	
9:30 am	Staff meeting
7:00 pm	AA/Fellowship Hall
<b>Wednesday, November 26</b>	
7:00 pm	Thanksgiving Eve worship w. St. Mary’s Episcopal/Saint Paul’s sanctuary
<b>Thursday, November 27: Thanksgiving Day—Office closed</b>	
<b>Friday, November 28—Office closed</b>	
<b>Saturday, November 29</b>	
8:30 am	Men’s Bible study/Kugler Room
<b>Sunday, November 30</b>	
8:40 am	Matins choir warm-up
9:00 am	Holy Communion
10:30 am	Holy Communion
7:00 pm	Youth choir rehearsal

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