

# *The Chimes*

*May 2023*



## *Sunday Worship*

*9:00 am Sunday school for Children and Adults*

*10:00 am Worship service  
(also livestreamed)*

### *Live stream:*

[www.facebook.com/stpaulsardmore](https://www.facebook.com/stpaulsardmore)

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[www.youtube.com/stpaulslutheranchurchardmore](https://www.youtube.com/stpaulslutheranchurchardmore)

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## Social Ministry Diaper Drive

Social Ministry is hosting a Diaper Drive to benefit the Greater Philadelphia Diaper Bank (<https://philadelphiadiaperbank.org/>).



**We'll be collecting the following items through Mother's Day (May 14) in the box located in the Fellowship Hall:**

- Baby diapers, all sizes and brands, but most needed are sizes 4, 5, and 6
- Pull ups, Goodnites, and similar items
- Adult incontinence products
- Baby wipes
- Period products

All items must be new and wrapped - cannot accept opened items unless they're individually wrapped products. For more information and statistics on need, please visit the website above or view the materials at the collection box.

**Chimes publication  
information**

The Chimes, the newsletter of Saint Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, is published 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 Wednesday, May 31. Your articles are due to [carisa@stpaulsardmore.org](mailto:carisa@stpaulsardmore.org) no later than Friday, May 26.

# Pastor's Letter

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Dear Siblings in Christ,

A blessed and happy Easter to you all! Fun fact—in the Christian calendar, the season of Easter continues for seven whole weeks, a week of Sundays. That's a whole week longer than Lent and almost four times as long as the season of Christmas! The resurrection of Christ holds central place in how we believe God was and is at work changing the world, so as a church we leave plenty of time to explore and live into what Easter means, not just one day.

Most of the world has moved on from Easter, though. Our attention shifts pretty quickly. Just this past week, we celebrated Earth Day on April 22. First held in 1970, Earth Day is an annual event to demonstrate support for environmental protections. At St. Paul's, we had a special Sunday School and coffee hour led by our Green Team.

But what does Earth Day have to do with Easter? Is it just a quirk of the calendar that it always falls during Eastertide? Probably—I don't know how the original organizers picked the date, but I'm not sure the Christian liturgical calendar was on their minds. But that doesn't mean we can't still consider the significance of one in relation to the other.

After all, it's no accident that Mary Magdalene confused the Risen Christ for a gardener that first Easter morning. "Supposing [Christ] to be the gardener," the Gospel of John tells us, she doesn't recognize him at first. On the first day of the week, God our creator starts something new in a garden once again.

Mirroring that first creation in a garden, Christ's resurrection holds the promise of renewal and restoration for all people and all the earth. God is a gardener, because God cultivates and creates, ushering forth life from fallen seeds, molding and shaping creation from the dark soil. From the dark tomb.

Christ's triumph over death in the tomb is good news for all creation. Not just human beings, but *creation itself*. God is reconciling all things to Godself. Creation will ultimately be restored, and humanity will be restored to our good and God-given purpose: to tend and cultivate all that God has made.

So this Eastertide, may we marvel at God's new creation—in us, around us, through us. May we give thanks for our gardener God who digs in the soil to bring forth new life.

And this Earth Day, may we get involved, too. May we find our calling in joining God—in ways large and small—to work for the reconciliation and restoration of all things.

In Christ,

*Laura M. Tamcredi*

Pastor Laura

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## Prayers

**Please pray for our men and women in the armed services,** Shane Boston, Army, (son of Kim Boston); and Sean Hopkins (son of Terry Hopkins).

**Prayers are also requested for:** Miranda Bagnet (friend of Beth McElvenney); Arrianna Bird (friend of Emily Miller); Tina Brady (friend of Dottie Buchanan); Dottie Buchanan, Charlotte Conybear, Carl DellaBadia (brother-in-law of Judi DellaBadia); Mary Devereaux (niece of Boofie Younkin); Diane Duane (friend of Hazel Pelletreau); Daniel Dry Sr (father of Dan Dry); Theresa Dry (sister of Dan Dry); Jo Fenstermacher (cousin of Bob Burns); Pat Fenstermacher (cousin of Bob Burns); Sandy Foote (friend of Sandy Farina); Salvatore Giafaglione (brother-in-law of Evelyn Reider); Gunda Grabowski (aunt of Mark Muller); Carolyn & Dan Joseph, Kathy Joy (sister of Jennifer Curtis); Jim Kamerdze (cousin of Bob Burns); Tom Keyser, Kathleen Martini (friend of Laurie DeWarf); Stephanie McClay (friend of Belle Miller); Lynda McNab, Irma Payan, Kris Peterson, Walter Proschinger (brother of Christa Scheidly); Johnathan Richards (friend of Pastor Tim); Claire Robinson; Bob Rogers (brother of Lynda McNab); Dorothy Schulz (sister of Carol Hammarberg); Skylar Seeley (friend of Spencer Schumacher); Bill Stoll (friend of Melissa Krissinger); Lily Walker (friend of Sarah Krissinger); Joel Wilkins (friend of Louise Pierce); Alyson (cousin of Jane Downing); Bart (brother of Gail Feustel); Jenn Phelps, Betty (aunt of Liz Cassidy) and Colleen (friend of Mark Muller).

## **Red Cross Blood Drive**

Monday, May 8

1:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Sign up at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) search sponsor code:

StPaulArdmore, or contact

Christina Wagner at

[cmwagner97@gmail.com](mailto:cmwagner97@gmail.com)



**American  
Red Cross**



## **St. Paul's Men's Group**

**Wednesday, May 17**

Meet at Wynnewood Lanes

7:00 pm

RSVP to Pastor Tim

[tness@stpaulsardmore.org](mailto:tness@stpaulsardmore.org)

## New Members Received Sunday, May 21



New members will be received during worship. If you are interested in becoming a member, contact the church office or Pastor Laura.

### May Birthdays

- 1 Tessa Kraut, Melissa Krissinger, Vincent Rodgers
- 2 Hope Iverson, Tyler Soung, Madelyn Venezia
- 3 Ingrid Gustafsson, Steen Hoyer
- 4 Kimberly Boston, Robin Mazzanobile
- 5 Charles Bode, Maxwell Frey
- 6 Christopher Bozman, Nicole Byrne, Carrie Kelly
- 7 Wendy McColgan
- 8 Stacy Dean
- 9 Shane Foust, Zachary Kraut
- 10 Tom Copeland
- 11 Dan Gale, Carolyn Hoffman, Betty McElwee
- 12 Craig Pringle
- 14 Blake Ertner
- 15 Amanda Fox, Sarah June, Zachary Zimmer
- 17 Amanda Vickrey, Stephen Pierce
- 18 Addie Tancredi-Ness
- 19 Maura McKeown
- 21 Kaitlyn Cox
- 22 Amy Badovick, Wendy Black, Peter Mazzanobile, Barbara Parman
- 23 Kent Cprek, Bill Frey, Lydia Tripple
- 24 Lucia Ciarrello, Madison Ruehr, Mia Ruehr, Nancy Trimbur
- 25 Kelly Lauersen, Kristine Peterson, Claire Robinson
- 27 Jamie Koerner, Rosemarie Lieb-Gormley
- 29 Will Horn
- 31 Jack Vettori



# Memorial Day Celebration at St. Paul's Cemetery

Monday, May 29  
11:00 am

The ceremony at the cemetery follows Lower Merion's Memorial Day parade, which ends at the Veteran's Memorial, near the Argyle Road entrance to Saint Paul's Cemetery (**parade start: 10:30 am**)

# Attention: Families of 2023 Graduates

If you or a family member will be graduating from high school, trade school, college, or other post-secondary program, celebrate the accomplishment with a notice in the June issue of *The Chimes*. Simply provide the information indicated below and forward to the church office no later than **Friday, May 26**.

Graduate's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Graduating from: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree/honors: \_\_\_\_\_

Plans for September: \_\_\_\_\_





Families with Young Children

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**GAMES | FUN | FOOD**

**20** MAY  
3-5 PM

Hoagies will be provided.  
Please bring a side or dessert to share!

**St. Paul's Ardmore**

In the field behind the church

**Vacation Bible School**  
**June 19-23**

**Volunteers needed:**

Station leaders  
(Science, crafts, recreation, snacks)

Group guides  
Registration help for Monday, the 19<sup>th</sup>  
Youth helpers (grades 6-12)

Contact [tness@stpaulsardmore.org](mailto:tness@stpaulsardmore.org) to volunteer



Register online:  
[stpaulsardmore.org](http://stpaulsardmore.org)  
(VBS classes are for children from 4 yrs. through  
those entering 5<sup>th</sup> grade)



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Change Service Requested  
Time Dated Material