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(Jesus taught) Then the Son of Man will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me...truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." (Matthew 25:34-36, 40)

It is easy to be overwhelmed by the news of the massive refugee crisis in eastern and central Europe propelled by the horrific civil war in Syria. It doesn't take much imagination to understand why these people are fleeing. It also doesn't take much imagination to picture what a monumental humanitarian crisis this is. The pictures of families desperately seeking a place to live where they and their children are not subject to the horrific violence of the radicalized fundamentalist Islamists groups is heartbreaking.

You can make a direct and substantial difference in this crisis by participating in the Crop Walk. Church World Service, whose cross-denomination ministries include the Crop Walk, Blanket Sunday, health kits, etc. is a significant provider of refugee services around the world. In fact, 56% of their total budget is spent on helping displaced persons. Last year that amounted to over \$45 million dollars. Church World Service and other humanitarian organizations are already "in country"

working with refugees from Syria and elsewhere to help during this time of crisis. And they are drawing on resources such as blankets and health kits already in their inventory to do so. But of course, the scale of this need will demand much more.

Our community Crop Walk is taking place at the Daniel Boone Homestead on October 9th at 1:30 PM. Money raised from our walk will directly benefit refugees presently fleeing Isis incursions in the Middle East and other humanitarian crises in our own country and around the world.

This year we will be surrounding the Crop Walk with a COMMUNITY PICNIC. Churches participating in the walk will also be participating in the picnic. The picnic begins at 12:00 PM and will wrap up at 4:00 PM. The main dishes and dessert will be provided; feel free to bring a side item to share. YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE A WALKER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PICNIC.

Remember also that 25% of all money raised is returned to our local community and forms the principal resource for emergency aid to families right here.

We do not need to be helpless observers of the struggles of our brothers and sisters around the world. By participating in or donating to the Crop Walk we can make a real difference.

--Pastor Frey

ADULT BIBLE STUDY.....

BUMP IN THE NIGHT: What the Bible says about ghosts, spirits, witches and zombies. (Yep, they're all in there!)

Monday October 17th

Dinner at 6:00

Study from 6:30-8:00



∞**WORSHIP IN OCTOBER**∞

October 1	6:00 P.M. – Holy Communion
October 2	8:00 & 10:30 A.M. – Holy Communion 9:15 A.M. – Sunday School
October 8	6:00 P.M. – Holy Communion
October 9	8:00 & 10:30 A.M. – Worship 9:15 A.M. – Sunday School
October 15	6:00 P.M. – Holy Communion
October 16	8:00 & 10:30 A.M. – Holy Communion 9:15 A.M. – Sunday School
October 22	6:00 P.M. – Holy Communion
October 23	8:00 & 10:30 A.M. – Worship 9:15 A.M. – Sunday School
October 29	6:00 P.M. – Holy Communion
October 30	8:00 & 10:30 A.M. – Holy Communion 9:15 A.M. – Sunday School

FROM THE PARISH RECORDS.....

Wedding: Sept. 10 -- Stephen Royer & Mia Sacchetti

Contribution to **World Hunger** given in memory of **Cindy Weiler** by Gene & Denise Buckwalter

Contribution to **Agape Fund** given in memory of **Cindy Weiler** by Mr. & Mrs. Timothy Moll



*The earth has yielded its fruits
God, our God has blessed us*

FESTIVAL OF HARVEST – October 2.....

Join us to celebrate the Festival of Harvest and to thank God for giving us all the things that we need for our daily lives. We are accepting donations of canned goods to be given to the

food bank at St. Paul’s UCC in Amityville.

CONGREGATIONAL WORK DAY...Sat., Nov. 5, from 8 am - 12 noon



Bring your garden gloves or cleaning gloves to help with the outdoor or indoor cleaning projects. There will be a sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex for you to let us know you can help. Help is needed for the full time or just an hour. Youth, this is a great event for your service hour requirements. (Rain date: Nov. 12)

WORLD HUNGER MESSAGE.....

Nearly 800 million people – 1 in 9 in our world today – are hungry. As members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America (ELCA), we are called to respond. Working with our neighbors in the United States and in nearly 60 countries around the world, we start by listening and learning how we can accompany them to help break the cycle of hunger and poverty –for good. From water wells to animal husbandry, microloans to health clinics, your gifts to ELCA World Hunger support innovative solutions that get at the root cause of hunger.



In Muskegon, Michigan supported by our gifts to ELCA, an urban farm grows everything from radishes to tomatoes in the middle of the city and teaches adults and teens how to grow their own food. The farm’s manager teaches middle schoolers the importance of weeding the farm and picking bugs off plants. Many residents of Muskegon now have access to fresh, affordable fruits and vegetables they need to thrive. This is one of many stories that shows how much our contributions do to help the many people in need. Thank you for your continued support.

--Mary Graefe

CROP HUNGER WALK AND CHURCH PICNIC.....



Let's walk together to change the world one step at a time.
Sunday, October 9 ~ Daniel Boone Homestead

CROP Hunger Walks provide the resources to support better health and development throughout the world. The funds raised provide more than food and water – they empower people. From seeds and tools, to wells and water systems, to agricultural training and loans. A full 25 percent of funds raised at our CROP Walk will provide hunger-fighting programs here in Berks County.

WALKERS: Join us! Friends and families are welcome!

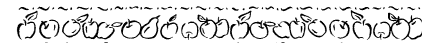
- Registration: 1:30 pm. Crop Walk begins at 2:00 pm.
- We will walk a distance of 6 kilometers (3.7 miles).
- Register online today. Join one of our existing teams!

CHURCH PICNIC:

- North Picnic area from Noon – 4:00 pm. There are two pavilions, 13 picnic tables, parking, water, and restrooms.
- All may enjoy the fellowship of the picnic; you need not walk.
- We will provide Pulled Pork Sandwiches, Wraps, and cake, prepared by Bause Catered Events. We will provide hot dogs, beverages, ice, plates, napkins, cups and utensils.
- Please bring a side dish. (Electricity is not available.)
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Celebrate autumn's favorite fruit at our annual



Fall Apple Festival

Saturday, October 1, 9am - 3pm

Apple Pancakes & Sausage Breakfast begins at 8am

Great food for lunch:

Pulled Pork Sandwiches, Hoagies, Hot dogs, Hamburgers,
Vegetable Soup, Apple Dumplings, & Apple Tarts

9 – 11 am: Boyertown Alumni Ceremonial Band

Sponsored by New Rhoads Transportation

9 – 11 am: Pony Rides (Two ponies and a miniature horse)

Sponsored by the Jablonski family

10 am: Animal Blessing (Bring your leashed pets)

10 am – 2 pm: Petting Zoo (with free food to give the animals)

11 – Noon: Comedy Juggler Jim Stilianos,

Sponsored by the Daniel Boone Optimists

11 am – 12:30 pm: Balloon Animals by Madison, Ken & Dave

12:30 – 1:30 pm: Pastor Steven & Friends Bluegrass Band

1:00 pm: Alison's Educational & Unusual Animal Show,

Sponsored by the Serrian Family

Quilt Show, *Sponsored by Dave Renninger of Re/MAX of Reading*

Fall Flower Display *by Levensgood's Flowers*

\$1 Book Sale, Yard Sale Tables, Vendors, & Crafters,

Two Moon Bounces, *Sponsored by the Daniel Boone Optimists*

Free activities for children: Indian Corn play tables,
Pumpkin Golf, Pumpkin Ring Toss, Apple Tic Tac Toe,
and Pumpkin & Apple Checkers

Free Admission ~ Free Parking at American Crane

Join us for a full day of fun! Bring your friends and family!

For a complete schedule: www.stpaulsdouglassville.com

For information, contact Carole at 484-794-2652

CHRISTMAS TREE DISPLAY -- December 4 - January 8



Help us fill the Fellowship Hall with festive table-top artificial trees. Individuals, couples, families, groups and committees may creatively decorate a tree with a theme that best represents what they do or what they enjoy. Sponsored by the

Fellowship Committee.

More information coming soon.



ATTENTION SPYY (St. Paul's Younger Youth-Gr. 1-6)...

- Fall Apple Festival – Oct. 1 9:00—3:00

Help run a kids game booth: Ring Toss or Pumpkin Putt.

- CROP Walk – Oct. 9

Picnic starts at 12:00; registration at 1:30, walk begins at 2:00

- Youth Sunday – Nov. 6 – 8:00 & 10:30

Volunteer to participate in worship and to help out with hosting the coffee hour.

SPLAT (St. Paul's Lutheran Active Teens –Gr. 7-12)

- Fall Apple Festival – Oct. 1 9:00—3:00

Help is needed with many activities.

- CROP Walk – Oct. 9

Picnic starts at 12:00; registration at 1:30, walk begins at 2:00



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!

Sunday, November 20, 2016

9:15 A.M.

WEEKLY PRAYER SERVICE -- WEDNESDAYS--9:00 AM

We pray for every member of the congregation on Wednesday mornings at 9 am. If you see your name here it is not because we think you have a specific need for prayer, but to let you know you are in our prayers whatever your need may be. On Wednesday mornings we also pray for churches around the world, leaders in the ELCA, our staff and council members, our political leaders, those in the military, special requests, and many more. If you are free a Wednesday morning, stop in and join us. We are always finished before 9:30 AM. Included this month in our prayers will be: Ken Yoder, Elisabeth Yoder, Payton Yoder, Mason Yoder, Lindsey Yoder, Olivia Yuhasz, Marian Zaffary, David Zepp, Lynne Zepp, Kenneth Adams, Kenneth Albright, Beverly Albright, Madison Albright, Kennedy Albright, Jackson Albright, McKinley Albright, David Alexander, Jeff Angstadt, Sheila Angstadt, Carole Barbary. If you have anyone to add to the prayer list, please fill out a Prayer Request Card found in the pew racks or call the church office. Please pray for those with special concerns: Amy Adam, Steve Baldwin, Jeffrey Cremi, Barbara DePrefontaine, Nati English, Robert Geiger, Bri Heckler, Adrienne Heisey, Richard Hoar, John Maicher, Frank McManus, John Meade, Rowan Milne, family and friends of Leroy Wenrich, Matt Hasson, Bertha Peachey, Scott DePrefontaine, and all others listed below and those we name in our hearts: Ken Albright, Sr., Delphine Altland, Michael Bach, Bryan B., Vivian Bolles, Deb Bukey, Tom Campbell, Don Charlesworth, Betty Clark, Mr. & Mrs. Davidson, Leroy DePrefontaine, Linda Domergue, Mary Ellen Eidell, Cindy Fake, Joanne Ferreri, Melissa Flannery, Joan Fleming, Angela Fonte, Lauren Freeman, Ida Gilbert, Michael Giorgio, Ron Glaser, Evan Glass, Judy Grabowicz, Robert Graeff, Ron Harris, June Henninger, Sue Hildebeitel, Marie Hoar, Connie Hunter, John & Margaret Kakas, Sue Keay, Todd Kelly, Jack Lebo, Liane Lefever, Gloria Lutz, Lewis M., Ronald McCarraher, Tricia Magner, Adrianna Marchewski, Charles Marquette, Jr., Harold Mest, Laurel Miller, Joe Morrowe, Marianne Moyer, Sandy Murphy, Ron Mutter, Craig Nichols, Carol Nocera, Gail Norris, Carol Pearson, Richard Pool, Heather Powers, Patti Pyle, Arletta Reisch, Carole Rhoades, Jocelyn Rice, Susan Ryan, Gabriel Schulze, Audrey Serrian, John Serrian, Sr., Lita Sheppard, Sherry Sigenfus, Johnna Storck, Dale Szajek, Jeanie Templin, Linda Troil, Sandy Wamsher, Millard Watson, Ruth Ann Williams, Tim Williams, Jill Wrigley, Christopher Youse, Sherri Zigenfuse, homebound— Geraldine Barbone*, Alton Brown, Frank Brown, Jennie Clouser, Grace Frey, Jan Haas, Pearl Miller, Laura Schmale, Alma Shirey, Patsy Smale.

*Non-member

Note there are Prayer Request Cards in the pew racks.



DEDICATION OF THE COLUMBARIUM – NOV. 6.....

There will be a brief service to dedicate the columbarium on All Saints' Sunday, November 6, following the 10:30 service.



SUMMARY OF COUNCIL MEETING—Sept. 14.....

- Approved the hiring of the following for the Child Development Center: Lori Darlington – Part-time aide, Susanne Weller, Asst. Group; Kristin Saylor, Asst. Director.
- Approved a recommendation from the Child Development Center to sell Boscov's Friends and Family passes two Sundays in October.
- Learned of the plans of the T3 Committee to sponsor a volunteer fair at St. Paul's on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.
- Approved having a Festival of Trees display in the fellowship hall from December 4 until the new year.
- Learned that the Financial Secretary's report showed a deficit balance at the end of August



A note of thanks... Dear Friends at St. Paul's: The family of Cindy Weiler would like to sincerely thank you for all of your cards, letters, hugs, prayers, and especially your kind donations in memory of our loving wife and mother.

We especially thank Pastor Frey and Kitty for their efforts in making Cindy's memorial service a true celebration of her life.

We are truly blessed by our Lord to belong to such a loving and giving congregation. We thank you all from the bottom of our hearts.

God bless you,
The Weiler Family.

10/1	Briella Eisenhard Everett Frey Justin Frey Ethan Himonitis Irene Lecki	10/14	Cooper Vernon
10/2	Tara Bologa Taylor Davidheiser Debra McCoy	10/15	Brian Gougler Thomas Lynagh Geraldine Trauger
10/3	Kristine DePrefontaine Peggy Emery	10/16	Karen Marquette Alexander Stanley
10/4	Isaac Cope Richard Saylor	10/17	Darby McCleary Evan Miller Thomas Morrow
10/6	Pat McClafferty Lisa Porter Judy Trout Cooper Walt Marian Zaffary	10/18	Nati English Cheryl Overly
10/7	Jennie Clouser Carolyn DiSandro	10/19	Hayden Hainsey Jaslynn Stump Jaylynn Stump
10/8	Jack Cooke Kaitlyn Venn	10/21	Beatrice Mohr
10/9	Zachary Freitag Matthew Poole	10/22	Karen Schreier
10/10	David Lau	10/23	Paul Muschick Paul Reber
10/11	Jonathan Wlajnitz	10/24	Russ Hartline Barbara Keim Len Trauger
10/12	Nathan Vernon	10/25	Frank Jablonski
10/13	Carole Barbary	10/27	Barry Oxenford Lauren Sarro
10/14	JoAnne Merkel Kitty Varady	10/28	Sally Rhoads Emma Serrian
		10/29	John Lee, Sr.
		10/30	Amanda Hatfield
		10/31	Barry Eidell

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO –

10/1	Karen & Mathew Brown	33 yrs.
	Albert & Janet Suglia	61 yrs.
10/3	Barry & Faith Casciano	35 yrs.
10/4	Brian & Rebecca Miller	19 yrs.

10/9	Gerald & Pat Levengood	67 yrs.
10/11	Evan & Jenna Dominick	8 yrs.
10/13	Gerald & Suzanne Kupp	32 yrs.
10/18	Al & Jeanette Forster	19 yrs.
10/19	Larry & Lauri Barr	31 yrs.
10/21	Tony & Jennifer Beers	10 yrs.
10/22	David & Cassandra Johnson	22 yrs.
10/24	Andrew & Rachel Weiler	1 yr.
10/27	David & Sue Childs	26 yrs.
	Claude & Mary Shaner	59 yrs.
10/28	Guy & Marianne Graefe	38 yrs.
	Matt & Cindy Matosky	27 yrs.

--YTD Giving thru August, 2016 --

	<u>Jan-Aug. 2015</u>	<u>Jan-Aug. 2016</u>	<u>Variance</u>	<u>% chg.</u>
Offerings	\$ 227,704	\$ 229,780	\$ 2,076	0.9
Renovation Contr.	\$ 87,111	50,740	-36,370	-41.8
Total Giving	\$ 314,815	\$ 280,520	\$ -34,295	- 10.8
Mortgage Balance		\$818,219.85		

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY – NOV. 6.....

We will be placing lit votive candles in front of the church in memory of those who have died over the previous year (since November 1, 2015) and invite you to give us the names of friends and family members who have died (during the past year) who you would like remembered in this way. These people do not have to have been members of St. Paul's. We will place a candle in their memory and list their names in the bulletin. Please call the church office (610) 385-6616 to add the name.



ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

October 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday			
2 8 & 10:30-Holy Com Fest. Of Harvest 9:15—Sunday School 7 PM—Nar-Anon	3 7 PM—Christian Ed.	4 Quilting 9:30—Craft workshop 2 PM—TOPS 6 PM—Girl Scouts 6:15---Child Dev.	5 9 AM—Prayer Gr. 9:30—Bible Study 6 PM--Brownies	6 Amity Fr. Circle bus trip 7--Choir	7	1 9—3 --Apple Festival 6 PM—Holy Comm. <hr/> 8 6 PM—Holy Comm.			
9 8 & 10:30—Worship 9:15—Sunday School 9:30—Finance Comm Noon—Church picnic 1:30—CROP Regis. 2 PM—CROP Walk 7 PM—Nar-Anon	10 7 PM—Pastoral Care	11 Quilting 9:30—Craft workshop 2 PM--TOPS	12 9 AM—Prayer Gr. 9:30—Bible Study 6:15—Executive Com 7--Council	13 7--Choir	14	15 7:30 AM—Property Lions Club health scan 6 PM—Holy Comm.			
16 8 & 10:30-Holy Com 9:15—Sunday School Social Ministry after 10:30 7 PM—Nar-Anon	17 6 PM—Bible Study	18 Quilting 9:30—Craft workshop 2 PM—TOPS 6 PM—Girl Scouts	19 9 AM—Prayer Gr. 9:30—Bible Study 6 PM--Brownies	20 7--Choir 7:30—Crime Watch	21	22 6 PM—Holy Comm.			
23 8 & 10:30—Worship 9:15—Sunday School 7 PM—Nar-Anon	24	25 Quilting 9:30—Craft workshop 2 PM--TOPS	26 9 AM—Prayer Gr. 9:30—Bible Study 7 —Worship & Music	27 7--Choir	28	29 6 PM—Holy Comm.			
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