



# St. Paul's News

## Pastor's Corner By Pastor Dave Heckler

To say that we live in a complex, turbulent, and often violent world is an understatement, certainly in this modern age— and yet, truth be told, hasn't it always been that way? History is replete with stories of empires in collision, people clamoring for and claiming territory and spoils, and new technologies dramatically changing the way people look at the world and its institutions; and it was into just such a cultural cauldron that God entered our world in the flesh and blood of Christ Jesus. And consider how Jesus addressed this social turbulence: He taught people using stories and [miraculous] signs to challenge the lenses through which they viewed the world. He embraced the outcast and vulnerable and confronted "the powers that be" not with violence, but with truth, casting out the demonic not with a gun, but with a word. He fed the hungry, healed the sick, and poured Himself out in love with the power of a servant. And on the night before His death, when He had every logical reason to defend Himself, He gathered His disciples around a table and shared with them the meal we've come to call "Holy Communion": "This is My



body, given for you... This is My blood, shed for you... Do this for the remembrance of Me..."

At the very beginning of our *With One Voice* hymnal, we find the following quote: "From the earliest days of the Church, worship has been marked by a pattern of gathering, Word, Meal, and sending. These basic elements—revealed in the New Testament, the writings of the early Church, the Lutheran Confessions, and ecumenical documents—constitute the center of the Church's worship." (It also quotes "The Apology [think "Defense"] of Justin Martyr" from around 150 AD which spells this out pretty plainly.) "Gathering, **Word, Meal, and Sending**": it was the fundamental norm of Christian worship that Holy Communion was shared in every Sunday worship gathering, in part in obedience to Christ's command ("Do this...") and in part because Holy Communion so fully proclaims the character of God's Reign that it's "the foretaste of the feast to come". For centuries, it lived as the norm in every place where Christians gathered; and the Lutheran Reformers not only assumed, but strongly affirmed this norm as true to the heart of the Gospel. And while the animosities of the Reformation era and the scarcity of pastors in colonized territories challenged this pattern, in many places relegating Holy Communion to a four-times-a-year event, the normative pattern of Christian worship (especially in the Lutheran confessional tradition) still remained: We gather around Word **and** Sacrament because this is who we **are**, not simply because "it's the way we've always done it". (Rachel Held Evans' classic quote above is a great testimony to this...)

Here at St Paul's, we've come close to reclaiming this pattern over the years. We currently share in Holy Communion on the first, third, and fifth Sundays of each month and at all church festivals. But especially in this post-pandemic age when we've experienced the pain of not being able to gather around the Table together in person, it's time for us to take the next step (and frankly, to join the vast majority of our fellow Lutherans regionally and internationally) and move to **weekly Holy Communion**. We don't lack the supplies to do this (though we could definitely use some more altar guild volunteers); I'm here as your pastor, so you don't lack a pastor; and especially with a "continuous Communion" distribution, we're able to keep things moving. **My plan at this point is to begin sharing in weekly Holy Communion on October 30, Reformation Sunday**— an appropriate time in the Church year if ever there was one.

This change in our worship life probably won't feel all that revolutionary. We've been dancing closely around this pattern for decades. And let's be honest: Haven't our food and fellowship hours over the years demonstrated to us that as a congregation, we're at our best when we're sharing food and stories together? This is who we are at St Paul's— and living this out in our worship as well as our fellowship only proclaims this more fully. I look forward to our taking this next step together in Christ, and seeing how the Holy Spirit leads us forward from the Word and the Table to the world around us.

Yours in Christ Jesus our Lord,

*Pr. Dave*



## President's Corner

As I write this, it is the eve of the first day back to school and I have great hope that this year will be far better than last year. I am refreshed from a summer of busy, busy, busy, yet relaxing days and nights. I clung deeply to hope, prayer, and my faith. In my wandering, I came across this little shop on Martha's Vineyard and met an intriguing woman. She is an author. A poet. I like her musings. Here is one called ....

### Hope

I hung hope out with the laundry, clothes-pinned tenderly beside a pillowcase and two sheets.

I could tell she needed air ~ a sweet puff of wind.

She needed to get warm again basking in the sun.

After a few hours, I came out with my basket and took her down. We both felt refreshed.

*She said, "Don't put me in the closet with the sheets. Spread me on your table.*

*Let your guests spill their wine and crumbs of bread.*

*Wash me gently; put me back in the sun.*

*Lay me across your bed so I may warm you in the night. Or put me on the children's bed that I might comfort their dreams.*

*Whatever you do," she said, "include me. It is the only way that I can live."*

~Ingrid Goff-Maidoff  
from the book, [What Holds Us](#)



Learn more about St. Paul's by visiting [www.stpaulstowntown.org](http://www.stpaulstowntown.org)

# Welcome to St. Paul's Basket Raffle



**BASKET RAFFLE DRAWING DATE: SEPTEMBER 24, 2022**

Winners will be contacted with information on when they can pick up their basket at the church office. 100% of the proceeds collected from this basket raffle goes to helping the Quakertown area food pantries, not to the church. The cost is \$1 per raffle ticket.

#### Basket 1: Kitchen Gadgets

- The basket contains the following items:
- Spatulas
  - Roll basket
  - Dish Soap
  - Pottery Bowl
  - Drain Mat
  - Cutting Board
  - Dish Rags
  - And more surprises



#### Basket 4: Outdoor Fun

- The basket contains the following items:
- Large Water Pistols
  - Jump Rope
  - 2 Bat Mitten Rackets
  - Extra Birdies
  - 2 Small Water Pistols
  - Kite
  - Rake, Shovel & Sand Shovel
  - Sky Catchers
  - Bracelets
  - Foam Glider
  - 2 Bubble Wands



#### Basket 2: Bath & Body

- The basket contains the following items:
- Candle (Frosted Honey Scent)
  - Liquid Hand Soap
  - Sweet Cleansing Foam
  - Pomegranate Soothing Gel
  - Wash Rags
  - Scalp Scrub
  - Bathing Scrubby
  - Many surprises hidden



#### Basket 5: 2/Scratch Off Baskets

- The basket contains the following items:
- One Hundred Dollars Worth of tickets in each basket, Happy Scratching!!



#### Basket 3: Arts & Crafts

- The basket contains the following items:
- Crayons
  - Paint by Numbers
  - Beads & Wine Cord
  - Sidewalk Chalk
  - Model Magic
  - Colored Pencils
  - Markers
  - Glue Stick
  - Rainbow Putty
  - 2/Play-Doh
  - Watercolors
  - Marker & Watercolor Pad
  - Nit Shapes & Stickers



#### "Basket" 6: \$200 Cash!

- The basket contains the following items:
- One cash prize of \$200.



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837 Old Bethlehem Road  
Quakertown PA 18951  
Phone 215-536-5789  
Pastor Dave Heckler

Hello Friends,

St. Paul's will be holding our first ever:

**MEET, GREET, SELL, AND EAT DAY !!**  
**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2022**  
**FROM 8:00AM – 2:00PM**

Vendor/Seller drive-through spaces are available to sell your items.

Cost is \$20 a space for non-members of the church. \$10 for members.

Tables will be available for rent at a \$5-per-table fee.

Setup time is 6:00am; General public 8:00am. **NO EARLY BIRDS**

The Church will have Hot Dogs, Soup, and baked goods available for purchase. Scout Troop 007 of Haycock will be available to assist vendors.

**Interested parties, please call 610-349-0125** for available space.

Here's the address to send any donations/fees for our "MGSE Day":

MGSE Day  
C/O Tracy Hallman  
2322 Richlandtown Pike  
Coopersburg PA 18036  
Any questions please call 610-349-0125

For St. Paul's Members:

The church will have a donation table for items that members are willing to donate for sale. Only items approved will be able to be dropped off. **NO CLOTHING!**

Please contact Bill Shaeffer at [Wshaeffer22@gmail.com](mailto:Wshaeffer22@gmail.com) to arrange dropoff.

We are also looking for any **BAKERS** in the church for items for our bake sale.

Please contact Karen Roehner at [intoorganics@gmail.com](mailto:intoorganics@gmail.com) to make arrangements.

THANK YOU as we share in God's love with joyful service...

**Drawing will be held on Sunday, September 24th!**

## Worship in September: God's Amazing Grace in Living Color

As we move into September, enjoying the waning days of summer and the cooler, colorful days of autumn, our worship life at St Paul's is full of great opportunities. Come share in the joy of Christ's self-giving love in Word and Sacrament at these events:



\* **Sundays in September:** During September, we'll be using **Holy Communion Setting 5** from *With One Voice* as our base liturgy, with a few variants here and there. It's a traditional liturgy set to an upbeat musical score, and it's become a favorite of ours over the years. We'll also be gradually building up our "Harvest Home" corner of the sanctuary, embracing the blazing colors of fall.

\* We'll be holding another **outdoor worship service** on **September 25** here at St Paul's— so mark your calendars and invite your friends!

\* Remember that we're sharing in worship and fellowship together **both in person and online**. As we gather **in person**, we're still doing our best to observe the COVID safety protocols of safe distancing and limited physical contact as we worship together; and we're encouraging those who feel the need for additional caution to wear facemasks as well. We've also resumed sharing Holy Communion at the altar via "continuous Communion ('stations')", encouraging folks to come forward a pew at a time to ensure safer distancing. And we'll keep on "**livestreaming**" our worship services via Facebook Live **and** streaming the audio of our services via our Free Conference Call line (857.232.0157, conference code 144261).

\* And remember as well that for in-person indoor worship, **we need a variety of ministry helpers**. There are many ways to get involved. Bulletin collators pick up the bulletins at their convenience on the weekend, fold them at home, and return them Sunday morning. Crucifers/Acolytes carry the cross and light the candles. Communion Assistants help distribute Communion. Ushers direct people to their seats and answer questions/guide visitors. Readers read Scripture during the service. The altar guild prepares the altar before service on Sundays and cleans up the altar after worship. Nursery volunteers help both parents and children during the service. If one of these ministry opportunities interests you, please reach out to the church office for more information. Thank you!

## Finance Updates

### On Going Business:

1. **Vanguard Account Balances:** As of July 31, 2022, \$108,433.62; June 30, 2022 is \$103,124.07; May 31, 2022 was \$108,808.

2. **Income statement:** As of July 31, 2022, expenses for the year exceeded income (\$16,970.28); June 30, 2022, expenses for the year exceed income (**\$15,257.01**); May 31, 2022, expenses for the year exceeded income (**\$11,926.30**). ***Noted that the bill for restoring stone in the parking lot was far higher than previous years. Work like this in the future should have an estimate in advance before agreeing to proceed. It was also noted that Bill Shaeffer paid for the dead tree that was recently cut down. (Thank you, Bill.)***

3. **Stewardship:** Wendy prepared the half-year individual giving reports through June 30<sup>th</sup>. \$69 has been given in excess of pledges, \$25,731. Of those not meeting pledges, the range is \$10 to \$750. Of those exceeding their pledge, the range is \$45 to \$434. One family is more than 3 weeks behind in their pledge.

- a. Through June 30<sup>th</sup>, \$14,698.30 has been received for the Lots of Love campaign (amount pledged \$14,986)
- b. Sara sent an email to the congregation regarding the Hoagie Sale (Sept 10) to raise funds for the food pantries.
- c. Tracy Hallman is "selling" tables for the Meet Greet "fair" Sept 24 to raise funds for the church.
- d. Basket raffles will be held that day also for the food pantries.
- e. Brett Shaw continues to sell wrought iron fencing for the church (or food pantries, optional).

4. **Cemetery:** As of July 31, 2022, balance is \$91,305.93; June 30, 2022 \$92,515.41; May 31, 2022, balance was \$93,974.85, included selling mower for \$4500. The Cemetery/Property Committee will review investments at their next meeting.

A Fall Stewardship Campaign will be held and a new campaign to cover the cost of the church painting will begin in 2023.

**Fundraiser idea for church:** Finance discussed an idea to sell metal memorial plaques to be displayed either on the side of the church (in the vicinity of the garden bench located on the south side of the church) or inside the church. Cost for the plaques may be in the \$40-60 range – further investigation needed. ***Idea will be forwarded to Property/Cemetery to discuss.***

**Evangelism's Stance on a Social Statement—Join Us!**

HAVE YOU EVER WONDERED . . .

- ✚ How do we reach the younger people in our communities?
- ✚ How do we proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ against the negative messaging in the news and social media?
- ✚ How do we counter the condemnation message of Christian Nationalism with the Good News Message of Christ?



I believe St. Paul's is in need of a strong social statement; one that is upfront, clear, and bold for the community to see. In the spring, Evangelism began this process and paused throughout the summer. With a desire to complete the social statement, I invite everyone in the congregation to our September Evangelism meeting (TBA) for this discussion.

Please join us!  
 Brett Shaw, Evangelism Council Liaison



**Household Hazardous Waste Collection  
 October 8 at Strayer Middle School**

Bucks County is planning to hold a local **Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event** on **October 8, 9:00 AM-3:00 PM** at Strayer Middle School in Quakertown (1200 Ronald Reagan Drive).

Household products containing toxic chemicals, like pesticides, oil-based paints, solvents, cleaning products, weed killers, and automotive batteries can be a threat to people and the environment if improperly discarded. Never throw these materials into the trash, as the toxic chemicals may harm sanitation workers, or result in fires in collection vehicles. It's also not safe to pour them into a sink or storm drain as they can end up in the environment polluting the air, water, or soil.

You can bring up to 25 gallons or 220 pounds of hazardous products to this collection event. Keep in mind that hazardous products will have cautionary words on the label, such as "Danger", "Warning", or "Caution". Other words or phrases that can signal hazardous products include: "poisonous", "hazardous", "combustible", "flammable", "corrosive", "volatile", "caustic", "irritant", "explosive", "toxic", "use with adequate ventilation", or "avoid inhaling". Such items include pesticides, weed killers, flammables, lead/acid batteries, household batteries (rechargeables and lithium), CFL light bulbs, caustics, propane tanks (20 lbs. or less), and the like. **DO NOT BRING** latex paint (it's not toxic, it's water-based— remove the lid to allow to air dry or mix with kitty litter until no longer a liquid, and then discard the mass in a plastic trash bag), appliances (with or without Freon), electronics, asbestos, biological waste, explosives, gas cylinders (greater than 20 lbs.), regular alkaline household batteries, PCBs, pressurized CFCs (greater than 1 lb.), radioactive waste, or tires. For more information, contact the Bucks County Planning Commission at 215.345.3400, or go to [www.buckscounty.org/recycling](http://www.buckscounty.org/recycling).



**Haycock Folk & Bluegrass Jam**

Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month 7-9PM

All musicians and singers welcome!

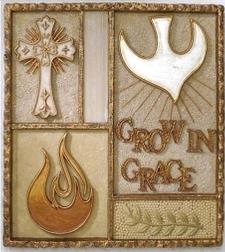
Come and visit if you would like to listen to some good music!

Free event, donations for the Community Center appreciated.

August 12

September 9

October 14



### Confirmation Classes Are Back!

**Confirmation** ministry is about preparing to embrace for yourself your Baptismal calling and the journey of Christian discipleship. In the Lutheran tradition, this takes shape through study of the Bible and Martin Luther's Small Catechism, as well as some introduction to Lutheran church history, worship, spirituality, and discipleship. (This year, we'll be focusing on the Bible overview.) Generally, students take part in confirmation classes somewhere between the ages of 12-16— but we've had adults sit in on our classes who've found them very helpful. This year, we'll gather **each Sunday from 6:00-7:00 PM beginning Sept. 11**

(most likely at first via Zoom). It's an easy schedule to remember, and easier for students and parents alike to work with. If you're interested in participating in our confirmation ministry here at St Paul's, please contact Pr Dave as soon as possible so we can prepare.

### "God's Work, Our Hands" Sunday Sept. 11: Crossing Synod Lines for LDR Training



As part of the ELCA's "**God's Work Our Hands**" Sunday, Lutheran Disaster Response of Eastern PA is excited to offer a special opportunity for anyone wishing to learn basic rebuilding skills like spackling, painting, and using basic power tools. LDR has found that once volunteers get introduced to some basic skills, they feel more ready to volunteer, not just for disaster response, but for opportunities like Youth Build and Appalachian Service Project. Join LDR on **Sept. 11 from 12:00-3:00 PM** at the **Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod Office** (2354 Grove Road, Allentown, PA) for lunch and skills demonstrations, and learn how you can volunteer for missions and ministries involved in relief efforts. Kids' projects will also be available! To register, email Heidi Shilanskas ([hshilanskas@gmail.com](mailto:hshilanskas@gmail.com).) (Full disclosure: Stephen Heckler is one of the folks spearheading this project...)

#### Like us on Facebook (and check us out online)!

- Our church website: [www.stpaulsqtown.org](http://www.stpaulsqtown.org)
- Our email address: [stpaulsqtown@gmail.com](mailto:stpaulsqtown@gmail.com)
- Our Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/StPaulsOtown](https://www.facebook.com/StPaulsOtown)
- Joyful Noise Facebook: [www.facebook.com/joyfulnoiseatstpauls](https://www.facebook.com/joyfulnoiseatstpauls)
- For daily Morning and Evening Prayer: <https://dailyoffice.wordpress.com/>



### September's "Monthly Special": Bucks Habitat for Humanity

Our "Monthly Specials" and "Noisy Offerings" are special opportunities for giving to help specific ministries in our community and beyond— some of them through the Lutheran church, others through the community organizations. For August, our **Monthly Special** Recipient is **Bucks Habitat for Humanity**, which is part of a global, nonprofit housing organization operated on Christian principles that seeks to put God's love into action by building homes, communities, and hope. Habitat Bucks is dedicated to eliminating substandard housing locally and worldwide through constructing, rehabilitating, and preserving homes; by advocating for fair and just housing policies; and by providing training and access to resources to help families improve their shelter conditions. Habitat's mission is "Building Communities, Empowering Families". Please give as you're able!

### Baptismal Anniversaries!

We rejoice to celebrate people's biological birthdays all the time, and rightly. But as wonderful as receiving the gift of life in this world is, receiving the gift of new and eternal life in Christ Jesus in our Baptism is even more wonderful (and best of all, it never grows old!). Why shouldn't we celebrate the anniversary of our new birth in Christ even more gladly? So **Happy Baptismal Birthday** this month to :



- Sascha Baringer, Rachel Gullett, Aundie Hamlin, Emily Hassler, Morgan Hassler, Victoria Hassler, Pr. Dave Heckler, Jack Lawrence, Michael Roeder and Josephine Scott.*

## Join Us During Social Distancing on Zoom!

- ✦ If you'd like to participate in most of our activities taking place over **Zoom**, go to [zoom.us](https://zoom.us), click "Join a Meeting" at the top right of the page, use meeting ID **370 014 7169**, and if it asks for a password, use **119805** and you should be in.
- ✦ If you're **using your phone**, these dial-in numbers will work to access Zoom: 929.205.6099 or 312.626.6799. After you dial, you'll be asked for the host's code, and you'll type in 370 014 7169, then 119805 and you're in. (What's more, with your smart phone or computer, you can engage video as well as audio, so we can see and hear you— something that's precious right now!) You can also use **Free Conference Call [FCC]**: Dial 857.232.0157, enter conference code 144261, and you're in.
- ✦ Even though our **Sunday morning Fellowship Hour** is being held in person again after worship, Patty Schumacher's making sure you can still join in, even if you can't join us in person! To do so, follow the instructions above for Zoom, but use meeting ID **839 381 0896** and passcode **90e8Dm**.
- ✦ And if you want to check out the latest announcements, you can find "**This Week at St Paul's**" on **Google Docs** at



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## Supporting Our Ministries



**Thanks for continuing to support our ministries here at St Paul's!** Your tithes and offerings are much needed during this time; as of February 28, our congregation's expenses for 2022 have exceeded our income by \$6473.48. True, we've run deficits before— but if we continue at this rate, we'll have an annual deficit of \$39,000 for 2022, which isn't a deficit we can sustain. We know that right now, funds are tight for everyone; but we encourage you to prayerfully consider how you might be able to support our ministry together. If you'd like to give electronically (via Simply Giving, our church website, or some other electronic means) and would like some information on how to do that, please contact the church office.

**You can financially support our ministries in several ways:** [1] If you're already signed up for **Simply Giving**, you're already taken care of; [2] You can **mail your offerings** to the church; and now [3] You can go to our church website ([www.stpaulsqtown.org](http://www.stpaulsqtown.org)) and make your contributions online, even using a credit or debit card. Whatever way you choose, your contributions help us continue to serve our congregation and community and build upon the good things God's doing through us.

### Do you shop on AMAZON? If so, continue reading to raise some money for St. Paul's!

Help support St. Paul's every time you shop at Amazon by bookmarking this link and using it when you shop at Amazon: <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/23-6272047>. You will see an amazon log—in screen which states on the left .5% of all eligible purchases will be given to Saint Paul's Lutheran Church of Applebachsville. Sign in with your account/password and continue with your purchase and check out. The total donation by Amazon for all eligible purchases will be credited to the church's bank account on a quarterly basis. Once you register St. Paul's as your preferred charity, it becomes a part of your Amazon account and all future purchases will automatically be credited to the church. Any questions regarding this program can be directed to the Finance Committee or just use the information tabs on the Amazon site. This last quarter, St. Paul's made \$29.12!! Thank you!

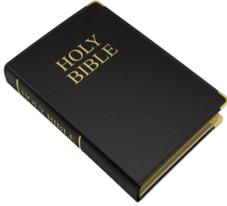


### DON'T FORGET TO ...

1. Save your Redner's receipts and place in the envelope on the Narthex Bulletin Board. This is a simple way to financially help St. Paul's.
2. Save your aluminum tabs from Soda Cans, Soup Cans, etc. and give to Todd Silvius for the Ronald McDonald House.
3. If you have e-mail; sign up for the Electronic version of the newsletter by e-mailing us at [stpaulsqtown@gmail.com](mailto:stpaulsqtown@gmail.com).



## Thursday Morning Bible Study



Come join us each week for our **Thursday Morning Bible Study** from **10:00 AM-12:00 NN** via Zoom or Free Conference Call! (See article below for instructions. For Zoom, use meeting ID number 370 014 7169 and passcode 119805.) We're "**Living with the Lectionary**", digging into the Scripture readings for the upcoming week to discover the treasures that await us come Sunday. You don't have to be a biblical "expert" to get a lot out of this study—so join us and invite your friends.

### Happy Birthday!

- Matty Blead 9/3
- Norman Diehl, Jr. 9/6
- Cheryl Ball 9/7
- Jayden Virnelson 9/10
- Rita Feikel 9/18
- Miramani Nash 9/19
- Connie Slotter 9/20
- Jamie Hallman 9/20
- Jennifer Westervelt 9/26
- Jack Lawrence 9/26
- Diane Bryan 9/27
- Bill Baringer 9/28
- Tracy Hallman 9/28



Save the Date and Party with Us!  
**Celebration for Laura Ulrich's 90th Birthday!**

**You are Invited!**  
**Saturday, October 15, 2022**  
**Time: 4:00 PM**  
**St. Paul's Fellowship Hall**

Further details will be forthcoming in October. For now, please mark your calendar and join us to celebrate this amazing lady!



## Fence Topper Fundraiser

### Own a Piece of St. Paul's History



We're selling antique cast-iron fence toppers from our church cemetery. These decorative pieces are about 150 years old; proceeds will benefit St Paul's and/or our local food pantries through Joyful Noise 9. A fence topper without an end goes for \$40; a fence topper with an end (that'll fit on a standard 1" iron pipe) is \$45. Checks can be made payable to "St Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church".



### AL-ANON'S APPLEBACHSVILLE FRIDAY AFTERNOON MEETING

- DATE:** SEPTEMBER 16<sup>th</sup> 2022
- TIME:** 12:00 LIGHT LUNCH  
1:00 MEETING BEGINS
- PLACE:** ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERN CHURCH of APPLEBACHSVILLE, PA
- LOCATION:** IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL BEHIND THE CHURCH
- ADDRESS:** 837 OLD BETHLEHEM RD. QUAKERTOWN, PA. 18951

AL-ANON & AA GUEST SPEAKERS

## Sunday School Resumes September 11

You're invited back to **Sunday School at St Paul's starting on Sunday, September 12.** We'll plan to meet from 10:30-11:30 AM on the **second and fourth Sundays of each month.** Here's the preliminary schedule:

- Sept. 11 **Welcome, One and All!**
- Sept. 25 **Dealing with Grief and Loss (part 1)**
- Oct. 9 **Dealing with Grief and Loss (part 2)**
- Oct. 23 **Serving God/Serving Others (part 1)**
- Nov. 13 **Serving God/Serving Others (part 2)**
- Nov. 27 **Advent Workshop**
- Dec. 11 **Christmas Story Celebration** (We'll have only one SS class in December, since Dec. 25 is the fourth Sunday— but this class may be a little longer, with some carol singing, a lesson about Christmas, and activity/craft, and a snack to make it a little more special. We're still working on the details...)



We have room for all students age 4 through fifth grade, with older kids being helpers/leaders— and if our recent VBS is any indication, we have a great group of students ready to welcome you. Spread the word and join us for Sunday School!



## Scouts BSA Troop 007 News

We're so thankful for St Paul's welcome and support. But right now, there's one more thing we really need to continue to survive and hopefully, thrive: **We need more Scouts!** The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law. If you know a parent or grandparent of kids from kindergarten to high school, encourage them to visit one of our Scout meet-

ings on Thursday nights, or check us out at [Scouts007.org](http://Scouts007.org).

Here are some of our **upcoming activities:**

- 9.10 **Grandview Speedway**
- 9.16-18 **Treasure Island Camp out**
- 9.24 **Harvest Festival at St Paul's with scout participation.**
- 9.29 **Guest speaker at Lake Towhee**
- 10.6 **Eagle Scout required merit badge, Citizenship and Society**
- 10.8 **Quakertown Trunk or Treat- promote scouting and Troop 007**
- 10.19 **Quakertown Halloween Parade- promote scouting and Troop 007**
- 10.29 **Haycock Trunk or Treat- promote scouting and Troop 007**

## INTERNATIONAL OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY

*A Tribute to Those We Have Lost*



August 31, 2022

5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

First United Church of Christ  
151 South Fourth Street  
Quakertown, Pa. 18951

Event will include Pastor-led prayer and vigil, as well as the opportunity to paint a rock or plant a seed in memory of loved ones.

Recovery resources will be available to families who are affected by addiction.

To learn more or RSVP, please contact Kathleen Baltzell at [kbaltzell@fsabc.org](mailto:kbaltzell@fsabc.org) or 215.431.0358.



## Single Day Volunteer Opportunities



- Who:** Volunteers with general construction/carpentry skills & those willing to learn ages 18+
- What:** Rebuilding residential homes (insulation, flooring, painting, framing, taping, etc.)
- Where:** Eastwick neighborhood of Philadelphia, PA
- When:** Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup>  
Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>  
Thursday, September 15<sup>th</sup>
- Why:** To help our neighbors recover after damage from Tropical Storm Isaias in August 2020

### Registration required

Contact Sharon Sgriccia, [isaiasrecoveryvolunteers@gmail.com](mailto:isaiasrecoveryvolunteers@gmail.com) to register or for more information.



The Eastwick Unmet Needs Roundtable exists to help Tropical Storm Isaias survivors. It is a partnership of Eastwick United, Eastwick Friends and Neighbors Coalition, UCC Disaster Ministries, Lutheran Disaster Response, The Elevated Studio, The Salvation Army, and Eastern PA Conference of the United Methodist Church.



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