

This Week at St Paul's

F = Fellowship Hall, Z = Zoom

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Activity</u>
Sun. 12/28 Christmas 1: The Holy Innocents	9:00 AM 10:30 AM	Christmas Lessons, Carols, and Communion in person and online: www.facebook.com/StPaulsQtown/live Food and Fellowship
Thurs. 1/1 New Year's Day— The Name of Jesus		HAPPY NEW YEAR!
Fri. 1/2	1:00 PM 7:00 PM	Al-Anon [F] AA [F]
Sun. 1/4 Epiphany Sunday	9:00 AM 10:30 AM	Holy Communion in person and online, www.facebook.com/StPaulsQtown/live Food and Fellowship

- * If you'd like to participate in these **activities taking place over Pr Dave's Zoom platform**, go to zoom.us, click "Join a Meeting" at the top right of the page, use meeting ID 3700147169, 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: 929.205.6099 or 312.626.6799. After you dial, you'll be asked for the host's code, and you'll type in 3700147169#, then 119805# and you're in. You can also use **Free Conference Call [FCC]**: Dial 857.232.0157, enter conference code 144261, and you're in.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER THIS WEEK:

- The Armed Forces, President Trump and his cabinet, Crossroads Pregnancy Care, David Johnson Sr., Morgan, Ally, & Dontay Hassler, Andrew Edmonds, Don & Karen Ludovici, Derek & Anna Ludovici, Connie Slotter, Norm Diehl Sr., Amy Miller, Chrissy Cousins, Robert & Cheryl Ball, Gary Hertzog, Keith, Joe, Annabelle Weller, Brenda Oelschlager, Roy Weidner, Michael Ludovici, Pr Robert Lescalette, Sable Wilcox, Laura Ulrich, Dave & Karen Hammerschmidt, Barry & Judy, Bob Knapp, Dr. Ken & Family, Bella & Friora, Sheila Simpson, Norman Hottensen, Rita Feikel, Pr Mary Owens, Ted, Heidi Beason, Aaron Hamlin, Kristin Umstead, Sue Weidner, Doris Diehl, Colin Aherne, Joanne Locke, Maurice Aubry, Pat Stever, Melissa Manhart, Pr Rachel Scheible, Karen, Mike, Ted, John Hunsberger, Violet Bradley, Sherry Salinas, Brett Shaw, Sharon Bachman Kresge.
- The war-torn people of Ukraine, Yemen, Israel, Gaza, Palestine, Lebanon, Syria, Libya, Ethiopia, the DRC, Sudan, Haiti, Colombia, Myanmar, Mozambique, and violence-ravaged homes and communities in our own land.
- Families and friends of Kelsey Shaak, Kenny Fly, Mary Johnson, Joan Bilger, Kevin Scholl, Pr Andrew Carlsson, Benita Ukstins, Bob Shaak, Pr Chuck Maxfield, Dale Weiss, James Qualls.

Serving in Worship Today:

	Today 12/28/2025	Christmas Eve 01/04/2026
Ushers	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed
Acolyte/Cru	Linda Hertzog	Stefanie Bauman
Counters	Tom Sutkins	Patty Schumacher
Altar Guild	Marie Shaw Volunteers Needed	Marie Shaw Volunteers Needed
Communion	Stefanie Bauman	Bruce Kroglund
Reader	Tracy Hallman	Sascha Baringer

Today's bulletins are sponsored by Gordon & Diane Bryanin honor of grandson JJ's birthday on 12/18 & daughter Emily's wedding anniversary on 12/30.

Thank you to our AA volunteer for January 2, 2026: Sue Young



Aly Brown will be in the office December 29th, 30th and January 2nd from 7:30am-11:30am.

Stewardship Note: Our congregation's expenses for 2025 have exceeded our income by over \$40,000 so far. Please prayerfully consider how you can support our ministry together. And ***if you'd like to give electronically***, feel free to use the QR code printed here: →



Many thanks to God and to all of you who helped fill our Christmas celebrations with the joy of the Good News! Special thanks to Aly Brown and Linda Hertzog for keeping our ministries coordinated from near and far; to Linda Hertzog for her hard work decorating our church and sanctuary both for autumn's harvest season and December's Christmas season; to Todd Silvius for his musical gifts and technological genius; to Tom Sutkins, Bill Shaeffer, and Gordon Bryan for their hard work in making sure we're not only "wired for sound", but for video and livestreaming as well; and to Brett and Marie Shaw and our other altar guild volunteers for keeping our altar area well adorned; and to all of you who helped to decorate our sanctuary and grounds for the holy days. Many thanks as well from Pr Dave for all of your cards and gifts throughout this holiday season. You've made this festival season a powerful proclamation of the loving presence of God with us in Christ Jesus!

We'll be celebrating ***the Epiphany of Our Lord*** next Sunday, ***Jan. 4***. With the Magi of old, we bring our gifts and share in Holy Communion around Christ Jesus the Light of the World, the Light no darkness can overcome. We'll still have our Christmas decorations up too— so come and enjoy their beauty!

Our ***Monday Morning Bible Study is back in action*** from ***10:00 AM-12:00 NN***— ***but this Christmas Week, we're taking a break***. We'll be back Jan. 5, meeting in the fellowship hall (with Zoom connectivity for those who can't join us in person). You don't have to be a biblical "expert" to get a lot out of this study— so get on board and invite your friends to join you!

To help combat hunger and homelessness, we're starting the **Food Basket** again. Please bring canned or dry food each Sunday to put in the large wicker basket in the narthex. Thank you!

The **Upper Bucks Code Blue** sheltering ministry of Advocates for the Homeless of Upper Bucks (AHUB) provides emergency shelter for homeless people when nighttime temperatures and/or wind chills reach dangerous levels— in our case, 26 degrees or below— from Nov. 15 through Apr. 15. But this ministry requires volunteers' time, organizational skills, relational skills, and of course, food and supplies to make this shelter available for folks in need. If you're interested in helping with the ministry of AHUB, please see Pr Dave. Volunteer applications and further information are available in our fellowship hall.

And **many thanks** to Caleb Byelich and his family for hosting last Sunday's "**Caleb's Cocoa Café**" in their front yard in Quakertown. Despite the frigid cold and snow, they've raised over \$4400 so far in support of AHUB's Upper Bucks Code Blue Shelter— and if you weren't able to get there last Sunday, we understand there are still goodies available!

Giving Notes: For our 2026 Giving Campaign, pledge cards and "Simply Giving" applications have been placed in each pew. If you use "Simply Giving" for your contributions to St Paul's, please be sure to complete a 2026 pledge card as well as a new "Simply Giving" form so that Wendy has your current giving information and amount changes for 2026. If you use giving envelopes but haven't made a pledge for 2026, please do so using a pledge card. You can put your pledge information in a sealed envelope addressed to "Wendy Gullett, Financial Secretary" or contact Wendy via email at wkg1071@verizon.net. Blessed Holidays!

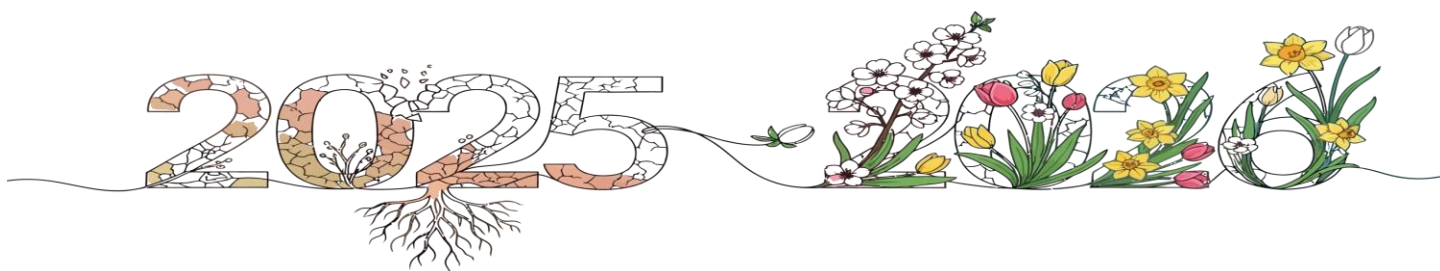
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The **Annual Report** deadline is approaching! The deadline to submit end of year reports to the church office is **today, December 28**. Please make every effort to get your report to the church office by this date. Thank you!

Our **2025 Annual Congregational Meeting** will be held on **February 1 @ 10:30 AM** in person and via Zoom (using meeting ID **370 014 7169** and passcode **119805**). All voting members and friends of St Paul's are encouraged to attend. We'll be reviewing our life together from this past year, considering some upcoming ministry priorities, and electing several new and returning Council members. Copies of the 2025 Annual Report will be emailed or "snail-mailed" to you by January 25 for you to review. Mark your calendars and come join us!

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Blessed Holidays, Your Financial Team



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