

FEBRUARY 9, 2025– FEBRUARY 16, 2025

Sunday – 2/9 Epiphany 5

9:00 am Coffee Fellowship Parlor

9:30 am Worship Service of Holy Communion Sanctuary

11:00 am Adult Sunday School Demey Library

7:30 pm AA Baer Room

Monday- 2/10 Church Office Hours 8:00 am -12:00 PM

7:30 pm AA Baer Room

Tuesday- 2/11

6:30 pm Stewardship Demey Library

7:30 pm Preschool Board via Zoom

7:30 pm AA Baer Room

Wednesday – 2/12

9:00 am Food Pantry Rosanna St. Entrance

10:30 am Wonderful Women of God Demey Library

12:00 pm Midweek Communion Service Sanctuary

1:00 pm St. Paul's Caring Group Parlor

6:00 pm Evangelism Parlor

6:30 pm Bell's Angels Sanctuary

7:30 pm Chancel Choir Choir Room

Thursday – 2/13

10:00 am ATCC Choir Room

10:30 am Prayer Shawl Ministry Parlor

Friday – 2/14 Church Office Closed

Saturday – 2/15 Church Office Closed

Sunday – 2/16 Epiphany 6

9:00 am Coffee Fellowship Parlor

9:30 am Worship Service of Holy Communion Sanctuary

11:00 am Adult Sunday School Demey Library

5:00 pm ZYG Meeting Youth Room

7:30 pm AA Baer Room

CARILLON BELL

The company who installed our bell has recommended we immediately cease ringing the Bell Tower bell until some repairs are made to the Clapper and Clapper Spring. However, we can ring a bell through the Carillon System in Sacristy. If you would like to be trained to learn how to ring the Carillon Bell please see Pastor Dave.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS MONDAY

On Monday, February 10, 2025, the church office will be open from 8:00 am – 12:00 pm and will be staffed by a volunteer

LUTHERAN STUDY BIBLE

Pastor Dave will be purchasing copies of the Lutheran Study Bible for \$25.99. Please contact Pastor Dave if you would be interested in purchasing a bible as well. The more we order the more we save per bible. If we buy 10 or more the cost is \$21.99 each.

WORSHIP & MUSIC

Midweek Communion Worship Service- Join Pastor Schreffler every Wednesday from 12:00 – 12:30 pm for a short-spoken word communion worship service in the Sanctuary.

The Wonderful Women of God – Join us every Wednesday at 10:30 am in the Demey Library as we look at current events through the lens of scripture.

CHRISTIAN ED



Adult Sunday School Class 11 am in the Demey Library - We did it! In the fall of 2018, we started a travel tour through the Lutheran Study Bible. "In the beginning God created the heaven and earth and it was good" in Genesis. Last Sunday we finished our trip with "Amen. Come Lord Jesus" and the Comfort, Encouragement and Hope in Revelation. We took side trips for Advent and Lent, some other special studies and of course the pandemic slowed us down. Thank you to all our attendees and especially our volunteer discussion leaders who helped guide us on our way. Today Pastor Jim will lead our conversation on some topics from the center of the Bible - Law and Gospel in the Bible, Is the Bible the Word of God? How did Martin Luther read the Bible? Next Sunday Pastor Dave will guide us through Lutheran Insights that Open the Bible., We have lots of Bibles to share, including large print. So grab your coffee and a snack and join us in the library.

Children's Sunday School- At Zion, we call this Children's Church. Our focus is to engage the children in the Word of God. We begin by enjoying Pastor's Dave's Puppet Ministry followed by singing and playing instruments with Dan Stokes, our Minister of Music just outside of our church parlor. Then our Christian Ed teachers, Miss Bonnie or Miss Shannon, go to the second floor and play a game, make a craft, and have a snack all connected to the readings we listened to in church. Our goal is to return the children in time to participate in communion. All children, including visitors, are welcome to participate. New teachers are always welcome as another set of hands.

SOCIAL MINISTRY

Glove, Hat & Scarf Drive The hat, glove & scarf drive continues through the end of February. Please look for sales, make your purchases and bring in your donations, adding them to the "glove tree" in the Narthex. Let's help keep others warm this winter. So far, we currently have **169** hats, **97** pairs of gloves and **108** scarves. Thank you!

Love INC Outreach Service Needs Please consider donating to Love INC and putting your donations in the drop-off box in the narthex. They are in critical need of men's deodorant, facial tissues, laundry pods, dishwasher pods and household cleaners with a screw top. Love Inc also needs a volunteer for 4 hours on Wednesdays to distribute the household items during food bank hours, sign-up through their website, <https://loveincgreaterhershey.org/volunteers/>.

SEXTONS RETIREMENT GIFT

The council and property committee members are looking to purchase a nice retirement gift for the Sextons, Jim & Deb Friedel, whose last day is April 31, 2025. If you would like to donate a cash gift to help support this endeavor, please see either the Pastor or one of the property committee members.

HUMMELSTOWN FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

The following items are needed to stock the shelves: Spam, jars of spaghetti sauce, cake mix, cake frosting, Stove Top stuffing, canned fruit, ground coffee, instant flavored oatmeal, peanut butter, jelly, canned vegetables, canned soups and clean plastic grocery bags. Nonfood items like laundry detergent, paper products etc. are also welcomed. Thank you for your continued support and donations. Your food donations are greatly appreciated.



OFFERING ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE FOR ST. PAUL MEMBERS BY REQUEST

If you would like a box prepared, please sign up in the Narthex and one will be prepared for you. Please see Barb Kennedy if you have any questions.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS

Overeaters Anonymous regularly meets at St. Paul on Mondays @ 7:00 PM. There is a hybrid option to join the meeting in person or via Zoom. Please contact Jamie @ (717) 215-5741 for the link to access or more information.

THE CARING GROUP

The Caring Group invites anyone interested in knitting, crocheting, or looming hats and mittens to join them in the Parlor on Wednesdays at 1:00pm. If you want to learn to knit or loom, please join us and we will provide lessons. For questions, contact Jane Landis, jam3995@verizon.net.



ST PAUL COMMUNITY AID COLLECTION BIN/GIFT CARDS—CLOTHING & SHOES ONLY.

Please remember to use the partner ID (#50004) if taking items directly to Community Aid – Contact the St Paul's Church office 717-533-3218 with questions. Gift cards are available for others to anonymously shop for needed clothing & household items.

FAMILIES HELPING FAMILIES

Ongoing support for families helping family members struggling with addiction, co-dependency & mental health issues. Meets via Zoom each Thursday 6:30-8:00 PM. For more info, contact Gene Middleton or Penny Penacchi (570) 262-8751.

2025 OFFERING ENVELOPES

Please pick up your box of offering envelopes located on the pews in the back of the sanctuary. They are arranged in alphabetical order by last name. If you do not find a box with your name, please contact the church office with your name and current address so a new box of envelopes will be prepared for you.

WITH APPRECIATION

Thanks to all who sent me birthday wishes. I appreciate all the thoughts. -Jim Davis

*Thank
you!*

THE GRATEFUL LADIES OF ZION

Dress-up and join us for a belated Christmas dinner at Gilligan's (10 N Houcks Road, Harrisburg) on Tuesday, February 18, 2025, at 6:00 pm. RSVP to 717-580-0571.

ZION LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL



We received a Community Aid bin, located in the Narthex. Please help us keep our Bin program successful by adhering to the following guidelines: Please only place the following items in good condition in the Bin: clothing, hats, scarves, accessories and shoes. Household and other goods should be dropped off at a store Donation Center. This is to prevent the items from breaking as well as to avoid overcrowding in the Bins.

We have also been approved as a virtual partner with Community Aid. If you take your donations to the Harrisburg store, we will receive \$0.13 per pound. Please provide #50267 at drop off so we can receive the credit.

ZIONS "CLOSELY KNIT" PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY



Zion's Prayer Shawl ministry will meet in the parlor the 2nd Thursday & 4th Tuesday of the month at 10:30 am. Just come with your knitting needles or crochet hooks, yarn, and share your talents. Patterns will be provided if you need ideas or would like to try something new (or revisit an old favorite). If you don't knit or crochet you can help the Shawl Ministry through donations of yarn, which are always appreciated! Any brand of yarn that is a "4" or "5" in weight works

well for the projects. If you have any questions, call Jean Ripple at (717) 566-7120, mobile (717)599-1323, jhripple@comcast.net.

MINI PRAYER SHAWLS MINISTRY

The knitting groups of St. Paul and Zion have begun a collaboration ministry called the Mini Prayer Shawls. These mini, 4"x4" pocket size shawls are designed for people to carry with them or simply be placed where they can be touched. These small tokens are a reminder of how much others care about them as well as a reminder that God is always in their lives. Please take one for yourself and one for a friend who may be facing challenges. These can be found in a basket in the Narthex. This is a small but significant way for each of us to do outreach.



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Ella Fridel- 2/9
Roxann Ebersole- 2/11
Randall Miller- 2/12
Fran Gruber- 2/13
Ava Donohue- 2/13

Robert McGroarty- 2/10
Janet Willard- 2/11
Pat Speraw- 2/13
Natalie Nutt- 2/13
Betty Kautz- 2/14



WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT & PRAYER LIST- Copies available in the Narthex.