

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## January 14, 2018

Swarms of living creatures will live wherever the river flows. There will be large numbers of fish, because this water flows there and makes the salt water fresh; so where the river flows everything will live." Ezekiel 47:9

### WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENT

**PRELUDE-** "Think About His Love" *with* "The Love of God" Harrah

### CALL TO WORSHIP

### INVOCATIONAL PRAYER

**HYMN OF PRAISE** "Be Thou My Vision" (Red #451)

### GREET ONE ANOTHER

### PRAYER OF COMMISSION FOR HAITI TEAM

### CHILDREN'S SERMON

**HYMN OF PREPARATION** "Be Still, My Soul" (Red #534)

### MORNING PRAYER

### GIVING OF HIS TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

**OFFERTORY** Chancel Choir: "Jesus Saves"

**DOXOLOGY** (Red #95)

### PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**SCRIPTURE** Ezekiel 47:1-12; John 9:1-41 (pgs.1364 and 1664)

**MESSAGE** "God's Vision"

**HYMN OF RESPONSE** "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" (Red

#462)

### BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE** "Strength for the Victory" Kendall

Check our website, [www.stpaulsbrick.org](http://www.stpaulsbrick.org) for last week's message: "Building Bigger Hearts"

### OUR GREETERS FOR TODAY'S SERVICES ARE:

**9:00AM** The Turner Family

**10:45 AM** Michael Rabe

**ACOLYTES TODAY: Siobhan and Fiona Predham**

**Child Care** is provided for infants and toddlers to age 3 during the first service in the nursery (room 2). Please ask an usher to direct you.

**THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** for today's Services are given by Rebecca Circle



### THE SIGN UP CHART FOR THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR IS IN THE NARTHEX.

We invite you to celebrate an event or remember loved ones by dedicating a flower arrangement to them. We all enjoy *fresh flowers* at our service each Sunday, and you are welcome to take them home after the second service. The flowers cost \$25.00. We ask that you please use the envelopes provided for your payment when you sign up. Payment must be received to order flowers.

Thank you.

### HELP US MINISTER TO YOU!

**If you or anyone you know is ill or going into the hospital please call the Church office and let us know 732-458-2080.**

Our weekly events are updated frequently to keep you posted on the happenings of the church.

<https://www.facebook.com/stpaulsbrick/>



### Meeting Announcements

Finance will be this Monday at 6:00pm in the Library followed by Administrative Board at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary

## THIS WEEKS EVENTS

SUNDAY	01/14	9:00AM	TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE - SANCTUARY
		9:00	CHILDCARE- RM 2
		9:00	SUNDAY SCHOOL K- HIGH SCHOOL
		9:00	YOUNG ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL
		10:10	FELLOWSHIP-NORCROSS HALL
		10:45	CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE
		10:45	ADULT BIBLE STUDY – YOUTH ROOM
		10:45	MARTHA CIRCLE
		11:00	KNITTING AND CROCHETING GROUP
		6:00PM	DUST TO GLORY – LIBRARY
		6:00	JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP
8:00	ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS – NORCROSS HALL		
MONDAY	01/15	6:00PM	STRONGER HEARTS FOR CHRIST – NORCROSS
		6:00	FINANCE MEETING – LIBRARY
		7:00	ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD - SANCTUARY
		7:00	PRAYER AVALANCHE - CHAPEL
		7:00	BIBLE STUDY - STAFF LOUNGE
TUESDAY	01/16	<b>NOON</b>	<b>BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS DUE</b>
		7:00PM	UMW INDUCTION OF OFFICERS – NORCROSS HALL
		7:00	MEN'S PRAYER GROUP
WEDNESDAY	01/17	6:00AM	MEN'S BREAKFAST
		10:00	THE QUILTERS - YOUTH ROOM
		10:30	WOMEN'S SHARE GROUP- LIBRARY
		4:30PM	CHERUB CHOIR – 4 YR TO 1 <sup>ST</sup> GRADE
		6:00	HANDBELL CHOIR- MUSIC ROOM
		6:00	VOLLEYBALL – NORCORSS HALL
		7:00	MID-WEEK WORSHIP - YOUTH ROOM
		7:30	PRAISE TEAM PRACTICE
THURSDAY	01/18	5:30PM	SENIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP - PARSONAGE
		6:00	STRONGER HEARTS FOR CHRIST- NORCROSS
		7:00	TRUELIFE YOUTH GROUP – YOUTH ROOM
		7:00	ADULT BIBLE STUDY – LIBRARY
		7:00	BOY SCOUTS TROOP #33 – NORCROSS HALL
		7:00	CAROL CHOIR – 2 <sup>nd</sup> GRADE TO 5 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE
		7:00	CELEBRATION CHOIR – 6 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE TO 12 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE
		8:00	CHANCEL CHOIR- MUSIC ROOM – 10 <sup>TH</sup> GR.- ADULT
FRIDAY	01/19	8:30AM	BULLETIN TEAM - LIBRARY
		7:00PM	FRIDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY - LIBRARY
SATURDAY	01/20	7:00AM	MEN'S DISCIPLE – YOUTH ROOM
		6:00PM	FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT – NORCROSS HALL
SUNDAY	01/21	9:00AM	TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE - SANCTUARY
		9:00	CHILDCARE- RM 2
		9:00	SUNDAY SCHOOL K- HIGH SCHOOL
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# RECORD OF FAITHFULNESS

January 7, 2017

<b>Worship Attendance Last Sunday</b>	<b>140</b>
<b>Sunday School</b>	<b>52</b>

<u>Giving</u>	<u>Current Expenses</u>	<u>Mortgage Giving</u>
<b>Received last Week</b>	<b>\$6,213</b>	<b>\$1,255</b>
<b>Need per Week</b>	<b>\$9,348</b>	

The amount shown as **Received last Week** includes offerings received at last week's Sunday services. Note: envelope giving includes only the amount on the TITHE/UNIFIED line.

## **MORTGAGE UPDATE:**

The mortgage balance as of January 1, 2018 is \$872,423

### Communications

#### *E-Mail Announcements and Prayer Requests*

If you would like to be on the church e-mail list to receive announcements, reminders of upcoming events and prayer requests, e-mail your information to [penrodt@Comcast.net](mailto:penrodt@Comcast.net).

#### *Telephone Prayer Ministry*

Nancy Penrod 732-458-7641 or church office 732-458-2080.

All Circuit Rider articles should be emailed to Nancy Penrod at [penrodt@Comcast.net](mailto:penrodt@Comcast.net). If you do not have access to a computer you can drop it off in the office or call Nancy at 732 458-7641. All articles should be sent to Nancy by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to publication.

**Bulletin Notices**-All information to be included in the Bulletin is due to the church office by **Tuesday at Noon**. If you have access to e-mail, please send your Bulletin announcement via e-mail to [Office@stpaulsbrick.org](mailto:Office@stpaulsbrick.org).

### PASTORAL STAFF

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Barbara Estelle	<a href="mailto:Bestelle@stpaulsbrick.org">Bestelle@stpaulsbrick.org</a>	Dir. Music/Organist
Judy Propert, Janet Post		Choir Directors
Cathy Applegate, Pam Snyder		Choral Accompanists
Peggy Blomquist, Judy and Bill Propert		Congregational Care
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Bill Nadler, Gary Deal, Kim Gavaletz, Mike Jensen, Al Primrose, Kevin Albora		Sextons

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### MISSIONARIES

Andy & Lizet Bowen	<a href="mailto:andy.bowen@wgm.org">andy.bowen@wgm.org</a>	Paraguay
Joy Phillips	<a href="mailto:Joy.Phillips@wgm.org">Joy.Phillips@wgm.org</a>	Kenya
Billy and Joanna Coppedge		Uganda
Step of Faith	<a href="http://stepoffaithministries.org">stepoffaithministries.org</a>	Haiti



All are welcome! On Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, St. Paul's UMW will hold its annual gathering to welcome their officers for 2018. Join us at the church for a casual evening offering up delicious light fare as we welcome the New Year, new officers and new opportunities to meet other Christians. Our program will begin at 7pm.

This year's featured speakers will be

*Peter and Mary Buckley*

They will share their adventures of this past year. Come out and hear how God led Pete and Mary to some unusual decisions and how He also led them through some exciting exploits. This should be a very interesting program. Get out your new calendars and mark the date. Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 7pm will prove to be a rewarding way to begin your support for St. Paul's Church in 2018.



## **HAITI FUNDRAISING BREAKFAST**



The Haiti Mission Team will be hosting a yummy Fundraising Breakfast on Sunday, January 14<sup>th</sup> between Services. There will be a variety of delicious breakfast dishes and treats. We thank everyone for your past and continued support both spiritually and financially as we leave the following Saturday for our Haiti Mission Trip. Thank you.

**The Greater NJ Evangelical Network for Renewal & Growth** is sponsoring a great Informational Gathering with the Leadership of the Wesleyan Covenant Association on Friday evening January 19, 2018 at 6:00 pm at the Ocean Grove Youth Temple in Ocean Grove, NJ.

Keith Boyette, President of the WCA, will present on the mission and focus of the WCA, its current goals, and vision for the future. Walter Fenton, Vice President of Strategic Development will share about current issues and the direction of the denomination and the Bishops' Special Council on the Way Forward, share the timeline of events that will unfold between January 2018 and the Special General Conference in February 2019, and then briefly discuss what we know of the options on the table from the Council. Both presentations will be followed by ample time for Questions and Answers. Please register for the free event so we are prepared for how many are coming.

To register for the free event at 6pm on the Friday Jan. 19th meeting in Ocean Grove, go to:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/jan-19th-information-meeting-with-wesleyan-covenant-association-registration-40998855681>

If you have any questions, please feel free to ask Pastor Alan or Tom O'Hearn.

For further information on the WCA, you may go to <https://wesleyancovenant.org/>

Thank you for your support and prayers for this event.

Dan Amey, President


Greater NJ Evangelical Network for Renewal & Growth

## Stewardship Reflection 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, ‘What are you looking for?’” - JOHN 1:38


What are you looking for? Are you wasting your time looking for the material comforts of the world? Or, is your heart longing for something deeper that can only be found by spending time with God? Take time, each day, in silence and ask the Lord what it is that He wants you to do.

**MID-WEEK WORSHIP!**  
**COME CHECK US OUT IN THE NEW YEAR!**



Praise and  
Worship  
Service

We meet every Wednesday at 7:00pm  
In the Youth Room.  
Coffee and Dessert are provided.  
Please come out and join us  
We would love to worship with you!



Coffee &  
Conversation

## **Fellowship Dinner Announcement**

The Church Dinner has been postponed for the Month of January.

We will continue the Church Fellowship Dinners starting back up in February on the 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00pm. Please join us then – Thank you



# Intercessory Prayer

January 7, 2018

*"Let us be brave, then, where there is grace. There will we receive mercy and find grace to help us when we need it." Hebrews 4:16*

**HEALING** – prayers of healing for daughters Carol and Cathy; healing for Joe and Dana after their surgeries; healing and guidance for the Penrod family; healing for Josh, Christine, Molly, Jan and Ron; healing for Terry, Gina, Hank, my family, Susan, Vivian; healing for Raymond, Marra, Jeanne; Bev, Jill, and Scott, Blessings to all in this New Year, 3 children with emotional problems; Bill Walters, Becky, Barbra, Jill, Nick, Bill, Jane, and Dan; prayers for a healthy pregnancy for Amanda; prayers for Sarah and Adam – Sarah delivered her baby 13 weeks early and the baby is 1 lb. 12 oz. She will be in the hospital for several months and hopefully there are no long term disabilities; healing and being free for Rich- finding a location for him to meet all of his needs-remind him that God loves him; coworker Jackie whose cancer treatments are not going well; the Wright Family, the Gornstien Family, the Magleone family and the Weissinger; Trish back trouble, Sergio recovering from major knee surgery/s.t found infection, Victoria anxiety, Val family issue, Ray ankle and knee healing, Marge shoulder issues; Kathy, Bob, Robert Bill, Nick, Nancy and Terry, Jill and Scott, Anna, Chris, Lacey, Jack and Debbie, Josh, Jack and Barbara, Charlie, Jane and Dan, and people who need you Lord; ray with depression, guide him to the right treatment.

*"Do not be afraid or discouraged. The battle is not yours, but God's. Stand firm and see the deliverance the Lord will give you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged. The Lord will be with you." 2 Chronicles 20: 15, 17*

**CANCER SUFFERERS** – prayers for Lucille with cancer; Sara Cherry with cancer; Dawn healing of cancer; my cousin Barbara with lung cancer; Alma with Lymphedema; Andre and Jim Lukemia; Jan, Denise and Martha – breast cancer.

*You make known to me the path of life; you fill me with joy in your presence." Psalm 16: 11*

**PRAISE** – that the snow wasn't any deeper and that we are able to get around.

*"Walk in all the way that the Lord your God has commanded you, so that you may live and prosper and prolong your days." Deuteronomy 5:33*

**SALVATION** –healing for Alyson Cinquemani who just lost her husband Gene Phillips to lung cancer; prayers for Joey who now finds himself homeless that he can find somewhere to lay his head; prayers for my friend Judy – may she feel the love of God and the love of her friends as she faces difficult times; Lord, please replace his heart of stone with a heart of flesh.

*"Every good action and every perfect gift is from God. These good gifts come down from the Creator of the sun, moon, and stars, who does not change like their shifting shadows." James 10: 12-13*

*"People make plans in their minds, but only the Lord can make them come true. Depend on the Lord in whatever you do, and your plans will succeed." Proverbs 16:1, 3*

**GUIDANCE** –guidance for Tyler and Sam; guidance for our nation's leaders; protection and guidance for Maria, Anna, Elijah and Harry; prayers for clarity and focus; Lord, please guide my family to Jesus Christ; guidance for Tracy; prayers for my aunt and my cousin to come together; guidance for my new job; guidance for Kerri Ann and Michael; guidance for my 6 grandkids and keep them on the right path in life; prayers for the Haiti mission team as they prepare for their trip; travel mercies for students going back to college; safe travel for Ashley and her friend as they travel in the Far East; care givers, strength and patience; bless expectant mothers to be healthy and well, bless me Lord to be Your messenger of peace and love to everyone I meet at home and work everyday; my dear friend Jane whose sister has passed away; bless those who morn loved ones; bless me Lord with love in Your time and Your way.

**TRAVEL MERCIES** – Travel mercies for John- good results for him when he sees the orthopedic doctor;

*"I am leaving you with a gift-peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give isn't like the peace the world gives. So don't be troubled."*

# You're Invited

Please mark your calendars.

When: January 30th, 2018

Where: St. Paul's UMC, Brick

Time: 7PM

We will be holding our first Council on Ministries Meeting of 2018. This is a special meeting and we are inviting all members and attendees of St. Paul's UMC in Brick.

The purpose of this special meeting is two-fold:

1. For committee members to give prayerful consideration to their goals
2. To listen to our membership and open hearts and minds to change. Help your committee to understand and get a strong sense of direction in the new year so that we accomplish the goals and tasks the Lord presents us with.
3. To invite people in our congregation to see what's happening at St. Paul's

This will not be a typical meeting where everyone is asked to do a report on their mission but instead will be a planning and dreaming meeting. It will be a time for you to bring forward your thoughts on what you would like us to accomplish this year and into the future.

Those in attendance are welcome and encouraged, to recommend goals and missions you believe our committee and church should be and active with.

Our focus should be on outreach in our church, in our community, in our state, and around the world. Also the methods we use for communication, be it in print, website, Facebook or email.

We will have a few ground rules:

- 1 There is no idea too small or too large. In other words, what have you always thought we should do but never did or never said.
- 2 If you have a great idea be willing to commit time, talent or treasure towards it. Great ideas need to be sponsored or championed. We should avoid throwing out ideas with an expectation that someone else will champion them then thinking no one cares because your idea didn't gain acceptance.
- 3 Leave the "we tried that before and it didn't work" comments at home. It's a different time and someone may have a passion that will cause success.

- 4 Focus on outreach through missions, education and worship. This is not a fundraising meeting
- 5 High level fast paced discussion, no plan to get into the trenches on every idea for this particular meeting
- 6 Please consider putting your thoughts to paper so that we can gather everything for future use. We may not get to discuss everyone's ideas but we should **get** everyone's ideas.
- 7 Respect everyone's time. I'd like to accomplish this in 1 1/2 hours but 2 at max. 9PM discussion stops

Let me throw out a couple of things just to create some thought:

- Partner program for new members for their first couple of months
- Should we discontinue the Circuit Rider?
- Sports league open to the public that doesn't compete on Sundays
- How do we not "miss" it when someone stops attending or is in spiritual need
- Outreach Missions
  - More local
  - Less local
- Worship services
  - More of them or less and why?
  - Longer services or shorter services and why?
  - More people involved in each service and why?
  - Change the music and why?
  - Change the times and why?

This is not an all inclusive list and none of them have to be discussed unless you bring them up. This is just some ideas to stimulate the thought process and exemplify the depth and width we should be discussing.

Please RSVP to me by January 22nd if you will be attending.

Email: [billbeaver101@gmail.com](mailto:billbeaver101@gmail.com)

Cell: 732-979-3108

Thank you and blessings to all,

Bill Beaver

**Romans 12:2 Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.**

## The Mustard Seed Preschool News

We patiently and with a thankful heart continue to wait for news of our state licensing. We cannot officially open or advertise until we have that. I call The Office of Licensing frequently, to check on our status. Please continue to pray that our paperwork is in order and that we will have a visit soon.

It has been a joy to have a Storytime in our building while we wait. I would like to thank the ladies who help with Storytime. Jen Hager, Holly Kelly, Sue Miller, Bev McCarthy and Peggy O'Connor have contributed their time and talents to our new school and to the Storytime. Storytime has had some special guest come to visit. I would like to thank Sharon Buechler, Fred Fiorentino and Joella for coming and providing fun activities for the children.

The Mustard Seed continues to provide Storytime to a group of 4 year old children. We now meet on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 9:30 until 11:30 in Room 9. We have expanded the Storytime to include skills that our preschoolers will need next year. If you have any questions about The Mustard Seed Preschool or Storytime please give me a call.

Thank you for your prayers and encouragement.

Donna Ferguson 732-664-4214



## Chocolate Festival

Proceeds to benefit Haiti Mission, St Paul's  
Mortgage and Capital Improvements - hosted by  
Miriam Circle and friends.

Saturday February 10, 2018  
11:00am - 2:00pm in Norcross Hall

Pre-order some HOME-MADE chocolate goodies for  
your favorite sweetheart or yourself! So we may  
properly fill all requests, orders for the following  
confections are due by **Sunday, February 4th**.  
Orders may be placed in the Narthex or outside  
Norcross Hall on Sunday. The Church office will also  
be accepting orders.

There will also be many other chocolate treats  
available at the Chocolate Festival which are not  
listed here! Bring your sweet tooth or your  
sweetheart for this Valentine's Day extravaganza!

\*PLEASE NOTE: If possible, Orders should be  
picked-up on Saturday. Please pre-order so that you  
will not be disappointed.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_\_\_ Chocolate Hazelnut Truffles - 6/\$6  
\_\_\_\_\_ Dark \_\_\_\_\_ Milk
- \_\_\_\_\_ Valentine Assortment - \$3.50 per  $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. box  
\_\_\_\_\_ Dark \_\_\_\_\_ Milk \_\_\_\_\_ Mixed
- \_\_\_\_\_ Chocolate-covered Cherries - 5/\$4  
\_\_\_\_\_ Dark \_\_\_\_\_ Milk
- \_\_\_\_\_ Peppermint Patties - 5/\$3.50
- \_\_\_\_\_ Chocolate-covered Oreos - 3/\$1.50  
\_\_\_\_\_ Dark \_\_\_\_\_ Milk \_\_\_\_\_ White
- \_\_\_\_\_ "Thin Mint" Cookies - 4/\$2
- \_\_\_\_\_ Peanut Butter Cups - 4/\$3.50  
\_\_\_\_\_ Dark \_\_\_\_\_ Milk \_\_\_\_\_ White
- \_\_\_\_\_ Cashew Clusters 4/\$3.50  
\_\_\_\_\_ Dark \_\_\_\_\_ Milk
- \_\_\_\_\_ Chocolate-covered Coconut  
(like "Mounds") 4/\$3.50
- \_\_\_\_\_ Chocolate-covered Coconut w/Almond  
(like "Almond Joy") 4/\$3.50  
\_\_\_\_\_ Dark \_\_\_\_\_ Milk \_\_\_\_\_ White
- \_\_\_\_\_ Chocolate Chip Pie - \$7 \_\_\_\_\_ Nuts \_\_\_\_\_ No

\*\*\* TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_ \*\*\*

\*\*\* ORDER FORM ON REVERSE SIDE \*\*\*