

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

November 18, 2018

Commitment Sunday

"Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you." Luke 6:38

## WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENT

PRELUDE HANDBELLS: - "Simple Gifts"

## OPENING PRAYER

HYMN OF PRAISE "We Gather Together" (Blue #790)

## GREET ONE ANOTHER

CHERUB CHOIR "We Thank You Lord"

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

CAROL CHOIR "Praise the Lord"

## MORNING PRAYER

## GIVING OF HIS TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY COMBINED CHOIR: "Rise Up, Singing Praise"

DOXOLOGY (Red #95)

HYMN OF CONSECRATION "Come Ye Thankful People, Come"  
(Blue# 797)

(We will be bringing the commitment cards and prayer cards to the table as directed by the ushers)

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SCRIPTURE READING Nehemiah 2:11-18 (pg 752)

MESSAGE "Truly Thankful Giving"

HYMN OF RESPONSE: "Now Thank We All Our God" (Blue #788)

## BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "With Grateful Hearts" Bach

## OUR GREETERS FOR TODAY'S SERVICES ARE:

9:00am: Trupti Ashar

10:45am: Trupti Ashar

ACOLYTES: Siobhan and Fiona Predham

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR given by  
Gale Belson in Loving Memory of Christopher Barbato



## 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.

**LARGE PRINT HYMNALS** are available. Please see an usher. Equipment is also available to assist you in hearing the services. If this would benefit you, please speak to an usher.

## 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.

### Knitting and Crochet Group- Moving their Meeting Week

The Knitting and Crochet Group will now be meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Each Month their Meeting will be in the Library starting at 11:00am

## THIS WEEKS EVENTS

SUNDAY	11/18	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
		6:00PM	YOUTH GROUP – YOUTH ROOM
8:00	ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS – NORCROSS HALL		

### **Church Office Hours: Monday – Friday, 9:00am – 4:30pm**

MONDAY	11/19	6:00PM	STRONGER HEARTS FOR CHRIST – NORCROSS
		7:00	PRAYER AVALANCHE – CHAPEL
		7:00	ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD – SANCTUARY
		7:00	BIBLE STUDY - STAFF LOUNGE

TUESDAY	11/20	<b>NOON</b>	<b>BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS DUE</b>
		7:00	MEN'S PRAYER GROUP

WEDNESDAY	11/21	6:00AM	MEN'S BREAKFAST
		10:00	THE QUILTERS - YOUTH ROOM
		4:30PM	CHERUB CHOIR – 4 YR TO 1 <sup>ST</sup> GRADE
		6:00	VOLLEYBALL – NORCORSS HALL
		6:00	HANDBELL CHOIR- MUSIC ROOM
		7:00	MID-WEEK WORSHIP – YOUTH ROOM
7:30	PRAISE TEAM PRACTICE - SANCTUARY		

THURSDAY 11/22 **CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED**



FRIDAY 11/23 **CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED**

SATURDAY 11/24 7:00AM MEN'S DISCIPLE – YOUTH ROOM

SUNDAY	11/25	9:00AM	TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE - SANCTUARY
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## Saint Paul's Church A United Methodist Congregation

Our Purpose is to:

**Praise** God through worship,  
**Grow** as disciples through study,  
**Share** our faith through testimony, and  
**Serve** others through ministry.

(732) 458-2080 Church  
(732) 458-2004 The Mustard Seed Preschool  
[www.stpaulsbrick.org](http://www.stpaulsbrick.org)



The Food Pantry of St. Paul's appreciates your support and generosity over the years. Many people ask what food is best to drop off. Below is a list of most frequently requested items from food pantries nationwide. When donating food, think healthy. If donating from your home pantry, please be sure the donation's freshness date has not passed.

*The best non-perishable foods to donate*

1. *canned beans*
2. *dry beans*
3. *peanut butter, or other nut butters*
4. *rolled oats*
5. *canned fruit in juice, not in light or heavy syrup*
6. *canned vegetables, with no or low-sodium*
7. *low-sodium soups*
8. *canned tuna and canned chicken in water*
9. *brown rice. quinoa.*
10. *nuts and seeds, unsalted*
11. *shelf stable milk and milk substitutes*
12. *whole grain pasta*
13. *low-sodium pasta sauce*
14. *popcorn kernels (not microwave popcorn)*
15. *canned stews*
16. *unsweetened apple sauce*
17. *whole grain, low-sugar cold cereals*
18. *olive or canola oil*
19. *canned tomatoes*
20. *dried fruits, no sugar added*
21. *honey*
22. *chicken, beef and vegetable broths and stock.*

*Stocked with the foods listed above, our clients can create healthy, filling meals. Thank you for your donations. Drop-off bin is located in hallway.*

**RECORD OF FAITHFULNESS**  
**November 11, 2018**

**Worship Attendance Last Sunday** **195**

**Sunday School** **49**

<u>Giving</u>	<u>Current Expenses</u>	<u>Mortgage Giving</u>
<b>Received last Week</b>	<b>\$6,817</b>	<b>\$1,253</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 November 1, 2018 is \$844,508

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).

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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**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

# Home for the Holidays



St. Paul's United Methodist Church  
714 Herbertsville Rd, Brick, NJ 08724  
732-458-2080



When: Sunday December 2, 2018 1:00 – 3:00 PM

*Enjoy a FUN Filled afternoon with Family & Friends to welcome in the Christmas Season.*

**GINGERBREAD HOUSE DECORATING:** Decorate your own gingerbread house for the Holidays.

- Deadline for reservations: Sunday, November 25, 2018
- Monetary Cost: \$15 per Gingerbread House required at time of registration

**COOKIE SWAP:** Using your favorite Cookie Recipe, bake and bring 3 dozen cookies and take 3 dozen assorted cookies home!  
Deadline for reservations: Sunday, November 25, 2018

**DESSERT TABLE:** Complimentary Desserts and Hot Cocoa, Coffee & Apple Cider.

**CHRISTMAS TREES, CENTERPIECES, GRAVE BLANKETS & WREATHS**

- Available for purchase

**PET ADOPTION OPPORTUNITIES:** Local Rescue Groups will be here with their “*Adorable Adoptables*” who are looking to be **Home for the Holidays** with you. Come out and meet your new best friend.

Registration Forms are available to fill out by the gym.  
For more information, contact the Church office or  
Ivy Kirn, 732-740-8784.

**Sponsored By: The Stewardship Committee and Pet Ministry**



**STILL TIME TO REGISTER!**

Please join us and **REGISTER** for our new directory by either going

- **Online** at [www.church-directories.com](http://www.church-directories.com)

**OR**

- Call Lois Folla at 732-785-1558 **who has other Dates available, that do not show on Legacy's website**

**Dates and Times to choose from are:**

- Wednesday November 28, from 2 PM – 9 PM
- Thursday, November 29, from 2 PM – 9 PM
- Friday November 30, from 2 PM – 9 PM
- Saturday, December 1, from 10 AM – 4 PM

St Paul's welcomes church members, attendees, as well as extended family & friends who may want professional pictures taken.

**Please Note:** Only those who signup will receive

- A complimentary church directory
- A complimentary photo
- And an opportunity to purchase a package if desired

St. Paul's Boy Scout Troop #33  
held a huge food drive to benefit  
our church's food pantry

## Over 750 Pounds Collected!

Last week, Troop #33 dropped off a huge donation from their neighborhood food drive. This is a great group of young men. They worked hard. They not only collected all the bags, but then carried them all into our pantry. The food pantry is humbled by their selfless efforts and by the amount of food now on hand to help our neighbors. At the time of the food drive, many of our shelves were empty. We are now better stocked to serve the growing hunger demands in our community. Thanks to Troop #33, Thanksgiving baskets will be much fuller this year!

For there will never cease to be poor in the land. Therefore I command you, 'You shall open wide your hand to your brother, to the needy and to the poor, in your land.' Deuteronomy 15:11

## Interfaith Thanksgiving Service



Sunday, November 18, 4:00 PM

Visitation Roman Catholic Church  
730 Lynnwood Avenue, Brick  
organized by the Brick Clergy Association

Bring nonperishable food items for donation to a local food pantry.



## Hanging of the Greens / Advent readers



We need your help to make our sanctuary look festive for the Christmas season. We call the decorating of the church the "Hanging of the Greens" and this year it will take place in the sanctuary on **Tuesday, November 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm**. All ages are welcome! We will first need a few strong bodies to put up the tree, and then anyone can help hang ornaments, decorate the windows and change the banners. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Lydia Widbin at 845-558-4355 or the church office.

If you and your family are interested in participating in this event, please fill out the tear-off below and place in the offering plate.

I am also looking for readers during the services for the Advent candle lightings. The first reading is on Sunday December 2<sup>nd</sup>. It can be families, couples, or individuals. I will need someone for each service for the four Sundays of Advent and for the three services on Christmas Eve. I will give you the sections to read ahead of time. If you are interested, please fill out your name and phone number or email, and which service or services you are available to read below, then place in the offering plate. Thank you!

I am interested in participating in the Hanging of the Greens on Sunday, November 29<sup>th</sup>.

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Advent candle Lighting and readers:

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

First Sunday Sunday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> 9 am \_\_\_\_\_ 10:45 am \_\_\_\_\_

Second Sunday, Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> 9 am \_\_\_\_\_ 10:45 am \_\_\_\_\_

Third Sunday, Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> 9 am \_\_\_\_\_ 10:45 am \_\_\_\_\_

Fourth Sunday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> 9 am \_\_\_\_\_ 10:45 am \_\_\_\_\_

December 24<sup>th</sup> Christmas Eve 5 pm \_\_\_\_\_ 7:30 pm \_\_\_\_\_ 11 pm \_\_\_\_\_

# Intercessory Prayer

November 11, 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; friend’s 19 year old daughter with depression; healing for Raymond with seizures and guidance to stay on schedule while away at school; Victoria with anxiety and fibromyalgia – help her to see that she needs to “let it go” when a stressful situation arises at school whether academic or social and remind her that she has the tools needed to help herself; prayers for Tim’s eye injury and hopefully it heals and he gets his vision back; prayers for Tim with heart failure and that the doctors know the right thing to do; healing for my husband with mental health issues; healing for Milt, Jamie Cook, Lorraine, Dorothy Hillner, Noni, friend’s dad, Ron, for Milt and Barbara Estelle; prayers for our daughter-in-law that she has a healthy baby; healing for Lorraine H., Jim, Hope, Dave, Anne, Manny; praying for Susan, Frank, Frank Jr., Danni, Danielle, Michelle, Anthony, Michael, great nieces and nephews, Kerriann, Anthony, family, friends, husband; healing for Milt, Max, Andrew, Jeanne, Dan, Eric; Trish with back and knee problems; healing for Milt, strength for Barbara and be with the surgeon, oncologists and staff at Wills Eye Hospital; continued prayers for Uncle Ronnie, Peg, Alan; prayers for classmate Stephanie and family; Alexis, Cortney; healing for Dana for many health issues.

*“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 a friend John N. with a tumor in his brain; prayers for Bob Campbell with a brain tumor and prayers of comfort for Sandy, Michelle and Lea; Robin starting chemo and radiation; friend’s husband on 4<sup>th</sup> round of chemo; praise a donor match was found for Amanda and prayers that the bone marrow transplant goes well on Nov. 21; prayers for Patty for good biopsy results; prayers and healing for Jane and Lucille both going through chemo.

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

**PRAISE** – praise for answered prayers; blessings for the youth of our church – may they carry your love to others through this upcoming week; thank you for showing me that all things are possible through you and you alone.

*“Walk in all the way that the Lord your God has commanded you, so that you may live and prosper and prolong your days.”*

**SALVATION** – bless and care for my family; bless and care for all the servicemen and women; thanks to my son Lee Jr. and grandson Patrick for their service to our country; honor for all veterans; peace for a world in need; prayers for all in California who have lost so much this week; prayers for all victims and families of the two horrific shootings in Pittsburgh and California; travel mercies for Bob and Erin; peace and comfort for the family of Barbara Sidaras who went home to the Lord last month; prayers my sister can make the right decision on whether or not to end her marriage; I would like the perfect beloved for me – that I can be strengthened in faith and I can strengthen him in faith as well.

*“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 Nick, Michael, Danielle; bless me Lord to be your messenger of peace and love to everyone I meet both at work and at home; bless my work Lord and show us the way to serve those in need of our services while not compromising our standards of quality yet still being treated fairly ourselves by the ever changing insurance industry; guidance for St. Paul’s church and leaders and country and local leaders; guidance for my 6 grandkids and keep them safe and on the right path in life; guidance for the Kelly family.

*“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.”*

## Christmas Wreaths & Grave Blankets



**Order Forms Now Available**



Pre- Order your Christmas Wreath and or Grave Blankets  
TODAY!!!

We will be down by the gym between services and after 2<sup>nd</sup>  
service Thank you