

ORDER OF WORSHIP

December 16, 2018

3rd Sunday in Advent

“But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be to all the people” Luke 2:10

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENT

PRELUDE: Handbell Choir “Christ is Born”

CALL TO WORSHIP

INVOCATIONAL PRAYER

HYMN OF PRAISE Oh, Little Town of Bethlehem” (Red #230)

GREET ONE ANOTHER

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE 9:00am

Janet Post and Baranowski Family

10:45am Judy Tomes with Jan and Al Primrose

CELEBRATION CHOIR “Let Us Adore Him”

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

HYMN OF PREPARATION “Love Came Down at Christmas” (Red #242)
(PRAYER CARDS may be passed to the ushers at the end of the aisles)

MORNING PRAYER

GIVING OF HIS TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

CHANCEL, CAROL, CELEBRATION CHOIRS
“Christmas Angels” (from the cantata Joy Joy Joy)

DOXOLOGY (Red #95)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 2: 8-20 (pg. 1591)

MESSAGE “God’s Gift to the Nations”

HYMN OF RESPONSE “Joy to The World” (Red #246)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “There’s a Song in the Air”

Check our website, www.stpaulsbrick.org for last week’s message “The True Star of Christmas”

OUR GREETERS FOR TODAY’S SERVICES ARE:

9:00am: Trupti Ashar

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ACOLYTES: Bryan Chadwick and Angelina Calvetto

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are Given in Memory of Allison Ulbrich



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

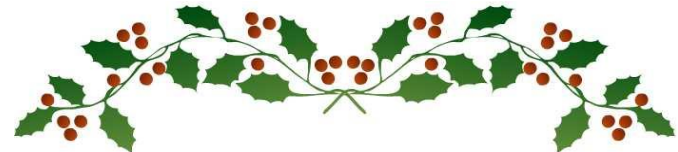
We invite you to celebrate an event or remember loved ones by dedicating a flower arrangement to them. We all enjoy *fresh flowers* at our service each Sunday, and you are welcome to take them home after the second service. The flowers cost \$25.00. We ask that you please use the envelopes provided for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



CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

5:00 – Family Service

7:30 - Candlelight Service

11:00 – Candlelight service

THIS WEEKS EVENTS

SUNDAY	12/16	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
		5:30PM	YOUTH GROUP CHRISTMAS PARTY
		7:30	CANTATA AND CONCERT BAND
		8:00	ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS – NORCROSS HALL
Church Office Hours: Monday – Friday, 9:00am – 4:30pm			
MONDAY	12/17	6:00PM	STRONGER HEARTS FOR CHRIST – NORCROSS
		7:00	PRAYER AVALANCHE – CHAPEL
		7:00	SPR MEETING
		7:00	BIBLE STUDY - STAFF LOUNGE
TUESDAY	12/18	NOON	BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS DUE
		7:00	MEN'S PRAYER GROUP
WEDNESDAY	12/19	6:00AM	MEN'S BREAKFAST
		10:00	THE QUILTERS - YOUTH ROOM
		4:30PM	CHERUB CHOIR – 4 YR TO 1 ST GRADE
		6:00	VOLLEYBALL – NORCORSS HALL
		6:00	HANDBELL CHOIR- MUSIC ROOM
		7:00	MID-WEEK WORSHIP – ROOM 8
THURSDAY	12/20	6:00PM	STRONGER HEARTS FOR CHRIST- NORCROSS
		7:00	TRUELIFE YOUTH GROUP – YOUTH ROOM
		7:00	BOY SCOUTS TROOP #33 – NORCROSS HALL
		7:00	ADULT BIBLE STUDY - LIBRARY
		7:00	CAROL CHOIR – 2 nd GRADE TO 5 TH GRADE
		7:00	CELEBRATION CHOIR – 6 TH GRADE TO 12 TH GRADE
FRIDAY	12/21	8:30AM	BULLETIN TEAM – CHURCH OFFICE
		7:00	FRIDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY - LIBRARY
		7:30	PRAISE TEAM PRACTICE - SANCTUARY
SATURDAY	12/22	7:00AM	MEN'S DISCIPLE – YOUTH ROOM
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Church Office Information

We will be open on Christmas Eve until 3:00pm

We will be Closed Christmas Day and the day after Christmas

We will Re-open on December 27th at 9:00am

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

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



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

RECORD OF FAITHFULNESS

December 9, 2018

Worship Attendance Last Sunday 152

Sunday School 42

<u>Giving</u>	<u>Current Expenses</u>	<u>Mortgage Giving</u>
Received last Week	\$7,541	\$1,203
	\$1,293 (Vanco not previously reported)	
Need per Week	\$9,348	

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 December 1, 2018 is \$841,733

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.

All Circuit Rider articles should be emailed to Nancy Penrod at 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 10th 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.

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Judy Probert, Janet Post		Choir Directors
Cathy Applegate, Pam Snyder		Choral Accompanists
Peggy Blomquist, Judy and Bill Probert		Congregational Care
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Bill Nadler, Gary Deal, Kim Gavaletz, Mike Jensen, Al Primrose, Kevin Albora		Sextons

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Joy Phillips	Joy.Phillips@wgm.org	Kenya
Billy and Joanna Coppedge		Uganda
Step of Faith	stepoffaithministries.org	Haiti

POINSETTIAS 2018

IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

"POPPY" WILLIAM JONES
"GRANDPA" FRANK DARBY
HELEN AND JACK PHILIPSON
OUR LOVED ONES
PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS
RAYMOND AND KAREN JONES
HARRY BRITTON
HANNAH PRICE
MY HURLEY FAMILY JIM, BETTY AND SANDY
OUR DAUGHTER KELLY LYNN WARTMAN
FAMILY AND FRIENDS
LOVED ONES
DOROTHY STREASER
JAMES STREASER
JENNA TRACEY
PARENTS LAURA AND ED JOUNDAN

IN HONOR OF:

GRANDCHILDREN SHELBY, COLIN, JACK AND EMMETT
OUR CHILDREN AND OUR CHURCH FAMILY

GIVEN BY:

DARBY'S
DARBY'S
JUDY AND HAROLD HENRY
DEBBI, JEFF AND JACKLYN HENRY
MARGE AND CLEM RESTINE
VIKKI, BRYCE AND ZACK BRITTON
VIKKI, BRYCE AND ZACK BRITTON
RICHARD, HANNAH, KAREN, FAMILY
SUSAN LINDSTROM
CHARLES AND MARION TURNER
CHARLES AND MARION TURNER
CAROL KAMPF
GEORGE BAISLEY
GEORGE BAISLEY
MAUREEN TRACEY
JOYCE PATTON AND WALT JOUDAN

GIVEN BY:

BERY SMITHOUSER
TONY AND LIESE DE BONA



Mustard See Pre-School News

In addition to our on-going letters and numbers lessons, for December we concentrated on the real meaning of Christmas and the Baby Jesus. We handmade ornaments, decorated our tree and set up a nativity set, one figure at a time. We had a lesson about each figurine and role they played in the nativity. We also had fun decking halls and learning Christmas Carols.

You may also have noticed the handmade bird feeders in the trees by the church entrance. We learned about different ways animals cope in winter and in January we will also learn about winter weather.

We have a really great group of children here and it is such a joy to see them learning and growing. If you know of a child who would like to join us please contact Donna Ferguson at 732-458-2080.



Prayers and Concerns

December 9, 2018

Thanksgiving and Praise Psalm 150 Praise the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens. Praise him for his acts of power; praise him for his surpassing greatness-

Thank you Lord for my safe travels and my continued good health. Thank you for my answered prayers; Praise God for great test results, Thank you all you have given me. Thank you for answered prayers. Thank you for my family. Help my sister-in-law heal her physically and help us to do what we can do to help her. Thank you for my awesome family. We each feel your joy daily.

Supplication & Blessings: Ephesians 1:3 Praise for Spiritual Blessings in Christ] Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ;

President Trump, for all service people, teachers, people of faith, those lost, hurting; Bless and protect our service people here and abroad.

Healing-; Luke 9:11 but the crowds learned about it and followed him. He welcomed them and spoke to them about the kingdom of God, and healed those who needed -

Prayers for Kyeigh's recovery and for Kelly's surgery. For Rachel Ward; For unspoken request and opportunities; Milt, Peggy, Lorraine H., Lorraine B, June P., Rosemary and family; Alison's family. Jack and Barbara, Jane and Dan, Nick, Sherry, Mark, Noni, Suzanne. Patty, Andrea, Bob; Strength and patience for caregivers; Comfort those who have lost loved ones; Lena, Jim, Dave, Elise, Jeff, Michele, Nicole, Patty and Allen, Cheryl, Liz, Jane, and Rob, cancer-Ron, Pam, Nilda, and Don's sister Denise and Patty, Heidi, Liz, Uncle Ronnie, Nilda, Daniel, Nancy, Rob, and Rob's family, healing for verbal abuse, Friend getting treated at Sloan Kettering (NYC), Friend recovering from minor surgery, Neal, Andrea Voss, Friend going to heart doctor and needs clearance for operation : Friend with heart problems; and Suzanne; Don (Suzanne's friend), Kellie, friend's daughter with

depression, Friend's dad (Ron), for Daughter's Cathy and Carol. Jamie, Dot Hilner, Janet Nilson, Terry and Nancy, Friend's husband for fourth round of chemo. Robin – radiation and chemo, Please be with Tim and his doctors-please keep him healthy enough to go get final surgery on 19th December; Susan Marazzo recovering from cancer surgery; John Stewart from Milford, De and guidance for his wife Maggie; Max, Chris, Erik, Dan; Aunt Chris D. for her success for her DVT surgery.

Guidance Kelly Family and servicemen and women, unspoken, Saint Paul's Church and leaders-lead and guide leaders For Damian in Brooklyn; Prayers for Joe so he can turn his life around and take the Lord into his heart; Praise for safe travels; Mike, Nick and Danielle; Nick to make the right decisions about school.

IMPORTANT NOTICE FROM FINANCE COMMITTEE

Offerings for your 2018 statement will end at 10am on December 31. We want to thank everyone for your prayers and support for the ministries at St. Paul's United Methodist Church.

In His name have a blessed Christmas and New Year.



Just a reminder that the Sneaker Donations for Haiti are due back by Sunday, January 6th to the box in the Narthex.

Thank you

Attention All Van Drivers

The Lord Be Praised we have a new Church van! And it works great!

With our new van we will need new records.

If you'd like to drive the van for church related trips, we will need a new copy of your current driver license. We will be collecting them from now through the end of December. We will be running all licenses the first week of January. All licenses will have to be processed for approval to drive the Church Van. This is a requirement of our insurance company. Thank you for your cooperation.



If you'd like to sell Christmas Trees the Sign up chart to help will be up in the Narthex or in Eleanor Norcross Fellowship Hall

.CHANCEL CHOIR CHRISTMAS CANTATA

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- CHRISTMAS CONCERT BAND



- St. Paul's Chancel Choir and Christmas Concert Band will present their Christmas cantata and concert **TONIGHT** at 7:30 PM.

- The Chancel Choir will present "Joy, Joy, Joy," a cantata that will be just the right start to your Christmas holiday.

- Our Christmas Concert Band will present some great Christmas music as well.

- Barbara Estelle, Director of Music



Christmas Eve Luminaires

Christmas is a time of celebrating and creating new Traditions, and remembering those who have gone on to Heaven and those special people still among us. The Stewardship Committee is offering St. Paul's members the opportunity to celebrate those special people with a luminary in their memory or honor on Christmas Eve. The luminaries will line the walk leading to the sanctuary for all three services. Stop by our table in the Narthex and outside of Norcross Hall to reserve a luminary dedicated to your loved one. If you signed up for a luminary last week, kindly stop by the table outside of Norcross Hall to verify the information given to us. We have 100 of these available on a first come, first serve basis and the deadline for reservations is Tuesday, December 22nd. Any questions, contact Ivy

Kirn, 732-740-8784.

Instructions for using the GivePlus Mobile Giving app

1. Download app to smart phone from Apple's App Store or Google's Play Store.
2. Enter zip code as "08724" on the find your church page, hit search button and choose St Paul's UMC of Brick, NJ.
3. Enter email address & password, hit "Create Account" button
4. Enter name, email & password
5. Account Created message will appear, click dismiss button.
6. When you sign in the first time, you will select whether you'd prefer to log in with your Password, PIN or your device's Touch ID. An email will be sent to you to verify your email address. Click on the link sent to you via email, and your account is created.
7. To make a donation, sign in and click the + sign on the "Give Now" page, click on the "General Operating" line or scroll down to click on a special giving line.
8. On "Fund Details" page, select frequency (one time, weekly, etc.), start date and amount, then click Add button.
9. To donate to more than one fund on the list, click "+" sign after each transaction, choose next fund, frequency and amount, then click Add button.
10. On "Payment Methods" page, enter checking/savings account info or credit/debit card info.
11. Enter info on "Account Info" or "Payment Info" page
12. On "Donation Summary" page, click "Complete Donation" button.

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FAQ about using GivePlus Mobile

Where can I download the GivePlus Mobile app? The app is free to download from Apple's App Store or Google's Play Store and you are not charged a fee to make donations using the app.

How do I find St. Paul's UMC in Brick, NJ to give to in the GivePlus Mobile app? When you download the GivePlus app for the first time, you will be prompted to enter the zip code or name of the church to which you want to give. Enter the zip code as 08724, hit search and then select St Paul's UMC of Brick, NJ when it appears.

Will I have to search for my church every time I want to donate using GivePlus? No. After you select a church, it automatically becomes your "home" church. The next time you open the app, the church you last selected will already be displayed.

What payment methods can I use to donate? GivePlus donations can be made with all major credit and debit cards or from a checking or savings account.

Will I receive a receipt? If you are logged into your GivePlus account or enter your email address when completing a guest donation, you will receive a receipt via email. When you are logged in, you will also be able to view transactions in your giving history.

I made a mistake and donated the wrong amount. How can I get a refund? Contact the church and they will be able to credit the amount donated in error back to your account – just like when you return an item you bought at a store or online.

See GivePlus Video at: <https://vimeo.com/262292774>

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973-495-4377



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