



Weekly News - August 16, 2026

(Ways for you to get connected, and ways you can encourage others to get connected.)

Fall Ministry Kickoff (September 13) – Join us on Sunday, September 13th for our Ministry Kickoff as we celebrate and look forward to another ministry year of growth and connection. We will gather for one worship service at 10 AM outdoors (weather permitting). There will be food, fun and fellowship following our worship time together. **Invite your friends to join us!**

St. Paul Sunday School Registration (September 13) – for children ages 4 -10 will begin on Sunday, September 13th during the worship service. Registration forms are available in the Connection Center if your child is new to St. Paul. All other registration forms should be returned to my mailbox before September. Questions and/or concerns please contact Jane Blades at jmblades1@comcast.net or 732-371-7854.

Catalyst (September 20) – Catalyst is the name of our confirmation ministry for students in grades 7 and above. It is an opportunity for students to grow deeper in their relationship with Jesus and take the next step in a lifelong journey of faith. Parents and students are invited to join us for an information meeting in the worship center on Sunday, September 20, 2026 at 11:15 a.m. In that meeting we will talk about the schedule for this upcoming year as well as expectations for parents and their children. **Attendance is required if you plan to have your student participate in this year's program.**

Communion Assistance Needed – We are looking for additional volunteers to serve as Communion Assistants as we celebrate the Lord's Supper. If you have a heart for serving God's people in worship and would be willing to help distribute the communion elements at either the 8:00 AM or 10:00 AM worship service, we would love to have you join the team. No prior experience is necessary—we will provide all the training and guidance you need. To volunteer or learn more, please contact Sonja in the church office sonja@stpaulnj.com. Thank you for considering this opportunity to serve Christ by serving His people.

Sunday School Teachers Needed (2026-2027) – St. Paul Sunday School is looking for substitute and regular teachers for the 2026-27 church year. If you enjoy working with children and would like to share God's Word with them, please contact Jane Blades for further information. No experience necessary. 732-371-7854 or jmblades1@comcast.net.

 **St. Paul Christian Preschool Subs Needed** – Bright smiles. Big imaginations. Tiny adventures. Our Church Preschool is looking for fun-loving substitute teachers & assistants for 8:45am–12:15pm. If you enjoy giggles, crafts, story time, and joyful chaos, come jump into the fun. Email Robin Coffman at Robin@stpaulnj.com or call 908-782-3979.

Little Food Pantry – Thank you VBS for collecting Food Items for the LFP Ministry! We are getting low and have begun purchasing some food items from our budget. These items are very much needed and appreciated! Donations can be placed in the plastic container outside the church front door. Make checks out to the Flemington Area Food Pantry, Attention: Little Food Pantry. Mail to the Flemington Area Food Pantry, PO Box 783, Flemington, NJ 08822. Thank You For Your Support! Questions? Contact Carolyn Swithers 908-377-6681

Appalachia Service Project (ASP) Youth Mission Trip – Our youth were truly blessed to have been a part of this incredible ministry, traveling to rural Central Appalachia to help repair homes for low-income families. We are deeply grateful for the congregation's generous support, prayers, and donations that made this impactful trip possible! Here are some of the things they had to say: *"Thank you for funding the trip! It was very fulfilling, as always."* — *"Thank you for your donation—the work we were able to do with your contributions is unbelievable."* — *"Thank you so much for allowing us to go on this trip. It was such a good experience and I'm so glad I was able to help others!"* — *"Wow, thank you SO much for giving us the opportunity to go on a mission trip and serve others in God's name!"* — *"Thanks again for allowing me to attend this awesome, eye-opening trip..."*

Prayer Request – Prayer is a conversation with God; therefore, it is an important part of a Christian's walk of "connecting life and faith." It is an honor and privilege to join you in your prayer life. Please submit your prayer request by clicking on the this QR Code:



Give – Giving is an important part of "connecting life and faith" as a Christian. As God leads you to give to his ministry through St Paul, you can do so in 3 ways: 1) **Online** by scanning the code 2) **In person** - offering plates are located at the back of the worship center; 3) **By mail** - 201 State Route 31, Flemington, NJ 08822. Thank You for supporting the ongoing work of sharing the gospel at St Paul Church!



Partners in Care – In an effort to meet the care needs of our church family, St. Paul now has a ministry called Partners in Care. It is a group of caring individuals who have volunteered to reach out to those who would welcome a friendly visit or appreciate a phone call. Along with Pastor Bob, it is our hope that we can build a strong care community within our church. If you or someone you know would like a call or visit, please contact Lynn Selquist 908-635-0300 or Lori Klimchak 908-581-4734.

This Sunday's Prayer list:

Prayers of Concern: *Lauren Monteforte* (to find peace and have an open heart to our Lord); *Kate Monteforte* (to be led to an appropriate treatment plan for her chronic diseases); *Steven Cohen* (Friend of Sarah Scarano; prayer for a benign eye tumor, effective radiation treatment, and quick pain relief); *Claire Partlow* (Friend of Micheline, for healing and strength as she recovers from surgery); *Martha Fiedler* (Aunt of Karen and April, for recovery & healing of a double knee surgery); *Phyllis Sisolak/Karen Makely* (Sister of Mary Eilbacher, recovering from an infection after shoulder replacement surgery and her friend Karen hospitalized with gallbladder surgery complications; prayers for peace and healing for both); *Hans Stahl* (who is still dealing with pain); *Cassie Kyprianou* (Please continue to pray for my cousin's little girl Cassie, Age 3, who is being treated for Leukemia); *Mike O.* (Prayers for Mike as he undergoes Chemo over the next 6 months); *Liz Capano* (Friend of Corey & Diane Lebo - Treatment for pancreatic cancer)

Praise & Thanksgiving: *Karen Modafferi* (is home and recovering from infection after gall bladder surgery); *Barbara Foster* (recovery from back surgery and restoration of family relationships)

Grieving: *Family and Friends of Brandi Karcher* (Friend of the Rodweller Family); *Family and Friends of Carolyn Schlesier* (Mother of Kenneth, Peter and Luke Schlesier); *Family and Friends of Marge Winecker* (Aunt of Rick Kuhl)

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." (Matthew 11:28)

Have a prayer request? Go to <https://www.stpaulnj.com/pray/> to let us know how we can pray with you and for you.

Birthday List: 08/17: Johanna Larsen, Rachel Butkewicz; 08/18: Erin Cross, Kayla Binder; 08/19: Catherine Cooper, Joyce Kuhen, Nicole Adesso, Susan Wernersbach; 08/20: Gail Callahan, Jann McAleer, Jordan Goodwin; 08/21: Carlos Garcia, Marlon Veliz; 08/22: Carolyn DiGiovanna, Haley Eder, Jane Blaus, Kim Murdock

"Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights" (James 1:17)

Flowers on the altar: Flowers decorating our chancel this 12th Sunday after Pentecost are given to the glory of God by Bob & Kris Johmann in loving memory of Bob Metzner, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather.