

St. Paul's News

475 State Street Albany, New York 12203



Greetings in the name of Jesus,

Dear Brothers and Sisters, God is Good! With so much happening in our lives and so many distractions pulling our attention this way and that, it can be easy to forget one of the central truths of our faith. God indeed is good, and he loves you very much. Recently I was reading Psalm 46 and was reminded of how great our God is. V.1 reads, "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble." From there the Psalmist talks about the turmoil of this world, how the mountains and the very ground are shaking, the sea rages, nations wage war and kingdoms come and go, but God is there and in the midst of it all acting as our "fortress" against all that might destroy us. It is because he is good, that we can "be still, and know that I am God." (v.10). Though you may be experiencing trials of many kinds, God is still with you and offering you his peace, the peace which passes all human understanding. This is my prayer for our whole St. Paul's family.

My family and I have been in Albany for a little over 2 months now and have been impressed with the friendliness of the city, but especially that of St. Paul's. We have been welcomed with open arms and accepted with grace. This is a reflection of the love which God has shown to you. Chelsea and I want to say thank you for your kindness, and we also want to encourage you to take that same love and acceptance to all people in your life. I look forward to greeting you in Worship each Sunday at 9:30AM.

St. Paul's has several things coming up next month which you should be aware of and mark on your calendars. September 15th is our Kickoff Breakfast at 8AM, with Worship to follow at 9:30AM. Then, we begin regular Sunday School and Confirmation classes on September 22nd following the 9:30AM Worship service. You will want to purchase tickets for the Talent Show on September 28th as we have a great line up of musicians and food.

I praise God that he has established and sustained St. Paul's Lutheran Church to proudly proclaim the Gospel of Jesus each Sunday. May you continue to proclaim the same to all those you come across in your daily life.

Your Brother In Christ
Vicar Jim Dorner



KICK OFF

BREAK-

FAST

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

8:00 am

Come and start a new "season" at

St. Paul's

With Vicar Jim and his family!

St. Paul's Cleaning Ministry

St. Paul's is a beautiful place to worship, but it is a large space to clean! Can you join us on the third Saturday of the month for an hour or two? Even if you can't commit to every month, our small steadfast group would appreciate any extra help. It's easy – show up, someone will be there to direct you, and cleaning caddies with everything you need are ready to grab & go. The next date is set for Saturday, September 21, 8:30-10:30 AM. Put it on your calendar now, if you can be there, great, if not, we'll see you in October! Any questions? Speak with Sheryl Baum.



ST. PAUL'S



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2019

6-8 pm

JOIN US FOR DINNER
AND SOME WONDERFUL PERFOR-
MANCES FROM FRIENDS AND FAMILY.

SUGGESTED DONATION

\$20 (CHILDREN UNDER 12—FREE)

Tickets Available—see Alex Alexander
Or call the church office to reserve your tickets

September/October Cluster Collection:



Cluster Collection

The Lutheran Cluster congregations will gather items for the Emergency Overflow Homeless Shelter during the months of September and October. Most important needs include: **t-shirts (XL, 2X, 3X), socks, underwear (38 to 44), gently worn winter coats, knit hats, gloves, 6 and 8 oz. paper**

hot & cold cups, sturdy paper plates and paper bowls



Do you enjoy singing? Why not join the choir and raise your voice to praise our Lord? Choir rehearses on Sunday mornings at 8:45AM. Any questions, see Arnold Seim, our organist. We would love to have you!!

There will be a choir rehearsal AFTER worship n Sunday, September 8, immediately after service. This will be an opportunity to get us familiar with music to be sung during the fall season. Please join us!!

SUPPER CLUB

Our bi-monthly Supper Club will be held on Saturday evening, September 14th at the Alexander Home. The theme of the evening is Italian night. A sign up sheet is on the piano in Luther Hall. Please sign up to bring something for the evening.



SUNDAY SCHOOL AND CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Sunday School and Confirmation Classes will begin their new season on Sunday, September 22 after worship. Sunday School is open to all children and Confirmation Class is for students in grades 6-8. See Pastor Jim or Deacon James if you have any questions



PLAN AHEAD

On Sunday, October 27th, we will have a Sign Painting Party at St. Paul's. Kelly Shea of Shea crafts will be here and we will make a wooden wall hanging with either a fall or Christmas theme. Designs will be posted soon so you may choose which one you would like to do. If you have never done this—it is a lot of fun and you won't believe what you will end up with. Tickets will go fast so give me your name if interested and I will get the designs to you for your choice. Prices have yet to be determined.

Diane Kingston

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SUPPLY CARDS are posted in the back of the church. If you can, please take one or two and get those items during the week. This is a great help in keeping our house-keeping "budget" in check.



SignUpGenius

Be sure to check the Sign Up Genius in your email. Pick up something for our coffee hour or sign up to wipe down areas of the kitchen to keep it clean.

ST. PAUL'S DART LEAGUE will begin its new season on Tuesday, September 10th at St. Paul's against Holy Spirit. If you would like to join this baseball style dart league, please see Alan or Alex Alexander.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

11. ARLENE HURLEY
24. JOHN WASEEM
26. H. WAYNE JONES
27. CATRIN GOLET
28. MICHAEL VOULO

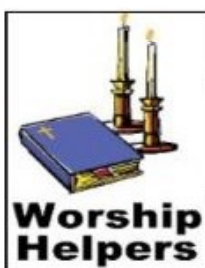
THANK YOU

Thank you to the "Church Mice" who helped to get Craig's apartment become "homey". Some furniture was gotten, new rugs, a cabinet. Craig and Mark finished the shower and Craig painted his door "Carribean Blue"! (What else!)

We do so appreciated Craig and his devotion to St. Paul's. It was fun to help him out in this small way!

DATES TO KEEP IN MIND:

September 15—Kick-off Breakfast 8 am
September 22—Sunday School and Confirmation Classes resume.
September 28—Dinner and Talent Show.
October 27—Sign Painting Party with Shea Crafts.



**Worship
Helpers**

**ELDER:
Alan Alexander**



	SERVICE STEWARD	COMMUNION ASSISTANT	FLOWERS	ALTAR
9/1	Martin Kahler	Lori Seim	In memory of Mary Boshea by Alida Earl	Frances and Andrew VanAcker
9/8	Martin Kahler	Lori Seim		
9/15	Tom Calamaras	Linda Calamaras	Memory of Fred Dascher by Steve and Sharen Dom-browski	Linda and Danielle Calamaras
9/22	Tom Calamaras	Linda Calamaras	Memory of Robert Shuhart by Dorothy Pratt	
9/29	Tom Ragoni	Ophelia Amegashie		Dina Lee