

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
The
EPISTLE JUNE 2016



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**SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES FOR JULY AND AUGUST:
ONE SERVICE TO CELEBRATE THE HOLY EUCHARIST AT 9:30 AM
ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH WELCOMES YOU**



Our small town of Pleasant Valley, NY is special to all of us for countless reasons. St. Paul's Episcopal Church is our small church in this small town, and day by day we are reminded that our identity as a parish community is rooted in the knowledge that we are God's people created in love and for love- and that we have love for one another and love to share with the world. Big churches do wonderful work for God's glory- not because they are larger than others, but because they are filled with the same love that God gives to all of us. We are a small church, and we are mighty because of our love that comes from God. Let us always be mindful of the power of love within each of us. God is God, no matter the number of people gathered together in each place. We offer prayers for the churches in our surrounding towns and cities, and we ask God to create within us at St. Paul's a spiritual home for all of us to dwell. The space we offer at Traver Road and Route 44 is for all of us. Let us pray that we may continue to offer welcome to those who have not yet discovered that "they" are "us", too! Peace to each of you, and see you at St. Paul's!
Mother Megan



Sunday Services

Holy

Eucharist

8AM-Rite I

10AM-Rite II

With music

9:45AM- Sunday

School

Join us for fellowship and refreshments following the 10 AM service

Week day Services

Healing Eucharist

First Wednesday

1 PM in Parish

Hall

Thursday

6PM Evening

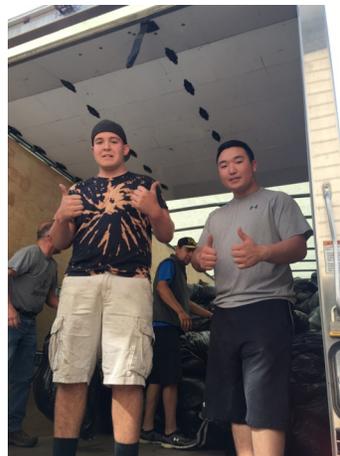
Prayer

In the Church

ST. PAUL'S NEWSWORTHY EVENTS



We have had a very eventful spring here at St. Paul's. In May we celebrated the **first anniversary of Mother Megan becoming our rector.** She shares our vision for mission and service in the name of Jesus. She has reached out to our homebound parishioners as well as to the community. She has joined with other ministers to provide a way for our young people (and all people!) to get together and learn what it means to be a part of something bigger than ourselves. Year One is complete— onward in to Year Two!



Thanks to everyone who participated in our fund raisers that have been very successful. **The Parish Brunch** brought in \$905. each for Heather Adams and Allie Sprauer's mission trip. The cost for the event was only \$80. due to the generous donations from St. Paul's people.



Mother's Day Sale profit was \$1832.00 Thank you again to all who not only work hard to make these events a success but who also donate time and money. Income from these events are usually listed in The Epistle. If you missed this information in the past, previous copies are available on our website at www.stpaulspv.org.

We are doing well at the **Thrift Shop** (see page 4) and always welcome new people to serve. We continue to appreciate your response to the **Adams Gift Card** sales and to those who faithfully are here every Sunday to sell the cards.

Some news from our May Vestry meeting: We have purchased a new lawnmower and Candy Olson our groundskeeper can be found each week caring lovingly for our outdoor space. We also have a new copy machine. We are hoping to install a flat screen TV to be used by the bible study group, Church school and our parish as needed..We are getting estimates for a new ADA accessible entryway to our Church. Our treasurer keeps a close eye on costs and we are very budget conscious. Thanks to fundraisers and interest from our endowment fund as well as generous memorial donations we have been able to do some of the above while our pledged income from all of you sustains the day to day operation of our church. A committee has been formed to choose a tree to replace the river birch that had to be removed because of root problems. We will also be replacing any shrubs that have died. Thank you to Debby Glynn and others who keep our flower gardens looking so beautiful.

We have had several rentals of our parish hall for parties. This is another opportunity for community outreach and fundraising. We especially thank Linda Groce our sexton who tirelessly cleans the floor and bathrooms each week, in the parish hall and the church following Sunday worship.

We met for our Spring Luncheon in May at Cosimo's Restaurant. It was a time for getting to know some of our new parishioners better and more than 28 of us had a great time. The men who joined us enjoyed their meal and had a good time, too!



We continue to serve at the Food Pantry the first Wednesday of the month from 6:30-8 PM and continue to be amazed at the outpouring of donations from our parishioners. There will be a picnic this summer at the Food Pantry. The date and time will be announced at church, in the bulletin and online.

Mother Megan initiated our first **Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayers** on May 4th. This service will continue the first Wednesday of each month except for July. **The next service will be August 3rd.**

Evening Prayer will be moved to Thursday evenings at 6PM as of June 2nd.

Remember only ONE Sunday worship service at 9:30 AM during July and August. Listen for the bells.

We need your continued support during the summer months to pay the costs of running our parish and supporting the ministry we offer to others. Semi-annual giving reports go out in July. Using envelopes gives you a record of charitable donations for income tax deductions. Thank you to all.



**St. Paul's Episcopal
Church is a Christian
family of caring
people who strive to
support and nurture
each other and
their community
through faith and the
grace of God.**

St. Paul's

THRIFT SHOP

News

Mother Megan and the staff of the Thrift Shop held a pizza luncheon meeting in the Parish Hall on Thursday, May 19th. The staff was thanked for their willingness to give their time and energy to help in the Thrift Shop whenever the need arises. Many people help with many tasks and put in a lot of volunteer hours in this major fundraising activity at St. Paul's which supports our church operating budget.

Mother Megan spoke to us about how Thrift Shop volunteers are ministers of the Gospel and are empowered to make information available to shoppers who may indicate that they are having hardships. They can make their situations known confidentially to Mother Megan and she will make arrangements to help them. We are working on developing cards or an information sheet with Mother Megan's contact information for this purpose. **This referral system will allow the Thrift Shop staff to maintain the sales in the Thrift Shop and at the same time, offer assistance to people who seek it.**

The Thrift Shop will now have regular hours, after the shop is closed, for volunteers to meet and together to handle the various tasks that come up. We will be meeting in the Thrift Shop Wednesdays after the 1:00 closing. We will be sorting incoming donations which have been placed in the closet when they were received, pricing the items with new supplies which have been ordered, hanging the priced items, clearing out outdated items, and doing general rearranging and cleaning. This regularly scheduled time will help us keep up with all the work required at the Thrift Shop.

Thrift Shop staff members and others who would like to help are encouraged to meet Wednesdays at 1:00 as often as you can. We long ago discovered that the work goes so much faster and is so much more efficient with several of us working together! Come and see!
—Babs Wilcox



LOBSTERFEST is around the corner!!!!**Saturday June 18th– 4:30-7PM**– Eat in or Take out. Remember Father's Day is Sunday– avoid crowded restaurants and bring your loved ones here for a treat!!!!

Reservations need to be made no later than June 11th.
\$30per person-prepaid– Checks made out to St. Paul's, write Lobster on memo line.

Lobster or Steak, potatoes, coleslaw, rolls, drinks (coffee, tea, lemonade) dessert. There is no charge for the delightful fellowship with family and friends. (also no tax or tips!) see poster on page 5

JUNE
BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- 1. Howard Williamson
- 4. Madeline McVey, Michael Cavaliere
- 5. Nancy Tumbarello
- 7. Joseph Cavaliere
- 10. Aidan Haight
- 11. Timothy Strain
Michele Cavaliere
- 16. Emily Wilcox
Shelley Mackey
- 17. T.C. Hampton
- 19. Lesley Sprauer
- 20. Susan Haight
- 21. Melissa Hampton
- 23. Bradley C. Haight
- 25. Karen Garrison
- 26. Kaiden Lee Thomison
- 27. Janet Arms
- 28. Kathleen Tompkins
- 30. Alison Case



- 7. Ron & Katherine Kittridge
- 20. Stephen & Karen Garrison
- 27. Candace & Daniel Olson
- 28. Kay & Bill Mackey

WORDS OF WISDOM

GOD ANSWERS IN 3 WAYS:

He says yes and gives you what you want.

He says no and gives you something better.

He says wait and gives you the best.

Mark your calendar

- June 1st– 1PM-Wednesday– Healing Eucharist
6:30 PM– Volunteers at Food Pantry
- June 2nd– 6PM– Thursday- Evening Prayer
- June 13th-7PM-Monday-Vestry Meeting
6:30 Committees meet
- June 18th-Saturday– 4:30PM LOBSTERFEST

June 19th-Sunday– Father’s Day



Last day of Church School to be announced.

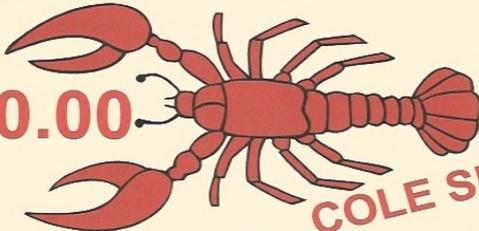
Evening Prayer has been rescheduled to Thursday 6PM

LOBSTER FEST

SAT. JUNE 15TH

ST. PAUL'S P.V.

5:00 PM TO 7:30 PM



\$30.00

LOBSTER OR STEAK

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

ROLLS 845-635-8517

CORN POTATOES

1DOZ. CLAMS \$8.00

COLE SLAW

DESSERT