

THE VICAR'S CORNER

בכל העניינים ברכה והצלחה

The above Hebrew statement means blessing and success in all the matters. It is transliterated as beh-KHOHL hah-een-yah-NEEM beh-rah-KHAH veh-hahts-lah-KHAH. In this time of renewal, I felt it necessary to wish you more than just luck. Luck assumes that you kind of let the universe decide your future for you. And sure there certainly is some of that, but as you all have shown, changing your future also requires action on our own parts as well. *הצלחה וברכה* means that your future isn't already decided for you, that we aren't just passive passengers on this circling rock in space. *הצלחה וברכה* means that we have a part in our future, in our own success, along with the divine. Your future contains a wonderful opportunity as a congregation to revitalize God's place in your community. I realize that in order to be successful, luck just didn't seem like enough. The road ahead will be difficult, it will cause some heart ache, but it will also bring much joy. As I got to know many of you through worship and especially through our Holy Envy discussions, you all are wonderfully ready to accept a new vision of what God is calling for you all in Enola. As we pushed the boundaries of who God is in our own lives and in the world through our book study, worship and just the circumstances of the world, you all have shown a resilience and passion to listen and embrace the Holy Spirit. With the help of Reverend Pam Illick, I know that you all will be faithful to God's mission of love in the world. I wanted to say thank you for making me feel right at home at St. Paul's. You brought me such joy through your words of encouragement, your willingness to help others, your enthusiasm to hear new and uncomfortable viewpoints on God, and ultimately your faithfulness to God's people. I pray and hope that you never lose your passion for God and for God's people. As it was and continues to be a blessing for me, I know that anyone who comes to St. Paul's will find a welcoming, honest, and open hearted community. I am glad that we still have one final month together and I wish you many blessings and success in all the matters of your future.

Grace and Peace,
Vicar Chad Butz

WE ARE MOVING INSIDE!

Thank you to everyone (over 40) who responded to the worship service preferences survey. A majority indicated they were comfortable worshipping indoors with all proper COVID protocols in place. Based on this, the Synod's belief that it is safe to begin indoor worship at 50% capacity (with spoken liturgies and protocols), and the increasingly cooler weather, we will be moving worship services inside starting Sunday, October 11. You will not need to sign up. If we reach our maximum capacity for the sanctuary, the overflow will be seated in the upper Sunday school room. The service will continue to be livestreamed (if the wifi cooperates) or it will be recorded and posted as soon as possible after the service.

Here is what you can expect with our indoor services:

1. An usher will greet you, give you a bulletin, and direct you where to sit.
2. We ask that you use hand sanitizer upon entering and exiting (we have touchless hand sanitizing stations).
3. There will be no collection during the service (a basket will be in the Narthex).
4. Pews have been marked to help maintain a six-foot perimeter around each person/family.
5. You must wear a mask at all times, unless you have a medical condition that prohibits you from doing so.
6. There will be no singing, other than by a soloist (who will sing wearing a mask).
7. There will be no passing of the peace.
8. An usher will dismiss each row – please do not leave until you have been told to do so.
9. Communion will be distributed outside of the church after service (please maintain a six-foot distance while waiting).

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Now that we are moving inside, we would like to resume a more regular rotation of assisting ministers, lectors and ushers. We understand and respect that not everyone is comfortable worshipping at and/or assisting with indoor worship; however, if you are interested in helping, please contact the church office. If you were previously on a schedule (prior to the pandemic), we will be reaching out to you prior to creating a new schedule.

Goodbye and Greetings

On Sunday, October 25, we will bid adieu to Vicar Chad Butz. On Sunday, November 1, we will welcome The Reverend Pamela Illick as our new pastor. Please see the letter below from Pastor Illick.

Dear Church Council and Disciples of St Paul's Lutheran Church,


God says, "I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?" Isaiah 43:19

God is indeed about to do a new thing in, with and through you and me as we begin our walk together in Christ. I am happy and honored to accept the call to serve God, the disciples of St. Paul's, and the people God sends to us whom we have not yet met.

I would like to thank the Council for their good work and for their trust in the movement of the Holy Spirit during this call process. I would also like to thank each person in the congregation who welcomed me so warmly on September 13, and who continue to do so, both in person and through social media. A new chapter is already springing forth in St. Paul's story! Do you not perceive it?

God's new thing for St. Paul's continues as God hears our prayers and sends the Holy Spirit to prepare our hearts to welcome one another as our relationships with God, one another and the community continue to grow and flourish. I am looking forward to seeing you in worship on November 1, 2020 as together we discover God's plan for us as one body in Christ Jesus.

May the peace of Christ be with you.



The Rev. Pamela M. Illick



COUNCIL NOMINATIONS SOUGHT

Please contact Vicki Barnhart, Council President, if you would like to nominate yourself or someone else for a seat on Council. There are two openings.

CALLING ALL COMMITTEE CHAIRS

In preparation for the compiling of the Annual Report, please start giving thought to your committee/activity reports and your 2021 budget requests.



LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF QUILTS & KITS

The sewing group and many others have been busy making quilts and bags, purchasing school supplies and packing school kit bags. Before they are sent off to help others across the globe, we will be blessing them during worship on October 11th. Many thanks to everyone who contributed to this worthy cause!



New Hope Ministries recently released its Christmas Wish List (see attached). We will be collecting these items until November 29. In addition to gift items, New Hope would like to provide each guest with a basket of food and is asking for donations such as: ham, turkey, vegetables, gravy, potatoes, canned fruit, cranberry sauce, pie filling & crust, boxed stuffing, cereal and macaroni and cheese. Please put items in the basket in the Narthex or upper Sunday School room and Ken Getz will make sure they get to New Hope. Thanks Ken!



The confirmation garden produced 71 lbs of produce this season that was donated to New Hope Ministries. Thanks to the gardeners!!

SADLY... 

... St. Paul's will be unable to host a **Trunk or Treat** this year. But this gives you plenty of time to plan your car theme and costume for next year!
We also need to postpone our **Annual Bazaar** until 2021. But it will be back, bigger and better than ever!

Driveway/parking lot repair work should begin soon. Please be on the lookout.

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FLORAL CHANGES

Due to several changes with our normal floral supplier, Pamela's Flowers, the Worship/Music Committee is researching alternatives for our alter flowers, including more "permanent" and/or seasonal decorations. If you have any suggestions or would like to be in charge of making sure fresh flowers get into the sanctuary each Sunday, please contact the church office.

PRAYER LIST

Loretta Bernhisel - cancer	Ann Getz	Paul Currie - brother-in-law of Carole J. Sutch
Levi Stoner - grandson of Stoners	Kaylin Vardzik	Kathy Hare - cancer/treatment (co-worker/friend of Steve Hoffmaster)
Clyde Barnhart - Seana Miller's grandfather	Mason Miller	Angelia Compton – heart problems (cousin of Trudy Getz)
Zelda Coleman – Trudy Getz's mother	Jean Seiple	Donna Miles – stomach problems (Karina Keller's Mother-in-law)
Jim Gebhardt - Seana Miller's father	Pat Martin	Pat Brinser – surgery complications (Seana Miller's aunt)
Victoria Peck	The Rettig Family	Steve & Melissa Kline - Chris Getz's co-worker & wife
Loved ones of Ray Peck	Nicole Hoffmaster	Mary Valenzuela (Vicki Barnhart's cousin)
Barbara & Leon Gilbert	Arla Hunter	Gilbert Campbell – Gary Stitzel's step-father
Loved ones of Sherryl McKee	Claris Lutz	Yolanda Garlinger – friend of Lana Stitzel
Marge Rettig	Art Shaffer	
Kody Getz	Katie Vardzik	
	Gerald Meek	

**Please let the church office know if you have a change or addition to the birthday, anniversary and/or prayer lists.*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!					
Oct	8	Chris Early	Nov	3	Nicholas Herman
	8	Chad Butz		16	Liam Klann
	9	Denise Casella		16	Ella Rudy
	14	Brian Klann		18	Timothy Atherton
	14	Stacy Klann		19	Charolette Getz
	17	Nicole Hoffmaster		20	Donna Shawler
	27	Austin Vardzik		27	Catrina Hultberg
Nov	2	Levi Herman		30	Nola Benbow
	3	Trema Bender			



October 9 - Stacy & Brian Klann
October 10 - Cheryl & Keith Gilbert
October 14 - Shelby & Nicholas Herman
October 17 - Dorlene & Timothy Morgan
October 18 - Doris & Stewart Trout
October 25 - Trudy & Kris Getz