

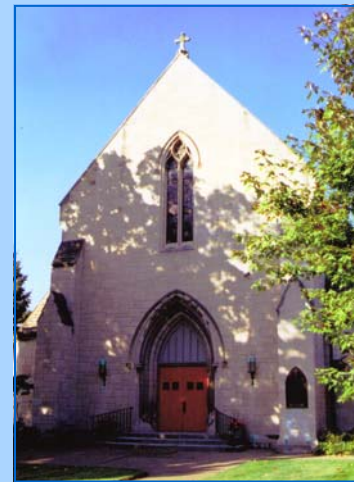


### Special Needs Ministry

The Special Needs Ministry is a new working group that is exploring ways that we can provide for the needs of children and adults with various disabilities, to enable them to participate more fully in Education and Worship. We are also considering starting a support group to minister to parents, and other caregivers. This ministry is a joint effort with the Children's Ministry staff.

### Stephen Ministry

Pastoral ministry at St. Paul's is supported and enhanced by a dedicated group of trained Stephen Ministers. These folks supplement (but do not replace) pastoral care by our clergy. Stephen Ministry is a biblically based, psychologically sound approach to caring ministry. It is a ministry of presence and listening in which Stephen Ministers are assigned care receivers who may be from either within or outside the parish community. The caregivers meet with their care receivers on a weekly basis. Those who receive care are those who are experiencing such problems as bereavement, aging, loneliness, and divorce or life transitions. If interested in this ministry, either to be trained as a Stephen Minister or to be assigned a caregiver, please contact Deacon Sandy Ritchie.



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The Rev. Louis B. Hays, *Rector*

The Rev. Kris Opat, *Assistant Rector*

The Rev. Mabel Fanguy,  
*Assistant Rector for Pastoral Care*

The Rev. John P. Thomas, *Pastoral Assistant*

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# St. Paul's Episcopal Church Imagine the Possibilities! Pastoral Care



The Clergy at St. Paul's are all committed to providing the members of the Parish with the best possible Pastoral Care. Pastoral Care can encompass many different things, from visiting someone in the hospital as a result of an accident to spending some quiet time listening, and prayerfully coaching a person through a difficult place in their life's journey. Pastoral Care can be practical, as in providing meals or transportation, or spiritual, by holding up one another in prayer.



**Pastoral Care  
Hotline  
412-337-7667**

In the case of any emergency, there is a special dedicated emergency cell phone that is carried by one of the clergy at all times, twenty four hours a day, seven days a week. In the case of an emergency, or in the case of the death of a loved one or family member please call this number for immediate prayer and assistance.

The emergency number is 412-337-7667. Please program this number in your cell phone, so that you will have it available if the need should arise.

The Clergy of the parish are happy to meet with anyone at any time. Please feel free to contact the church office to set up an appointment. If we can be of help, that is what we want to do. The Clergy are also assisted by a large number of volunteers who coordinate the ministries described in this brochure.

"I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

John 13:34-35:

# Pastoral Care



## Altar Flower Delivery

Each Sunday after the 10:30 service members from the Altar Flower Delivery group deliver flowers to those who are ill, homebound, in hospitals or nursing homes, and those who have suffered losses.

Those celebrating special occasions such as baptisms, marriage, and anniversaries are also recipients. Either Deacon Sandy Ritchie or Rev. Mabel Fanguy determines

who are to receive the flowers each weekend. In addition the plants given at Christmas and Easter are delivered by this group as well as by additional interested parishioners. There are no flowers during the Season of Lent.

## Baby Gift Baskets

St. Paul's happily welcomes all newly born children into the church family by providing a goodie basket for each newborn. The items in these baskets are donated by members of the Claudia Circle, and the program is coordinated by Susan Tkach.

## Bereavement and/or Grief Ministry

Deacon Sandra Ritchie provides counsel and assistance as well as various articles and pamphlets to those who are going through the Bereavement or Grief process.

## Blood Pressure Clinic

Once a month we hold a Blood Pressure Clinic after both the 8:45 and the 10:30 services. This ministry allows our parishioners a regular opportunity to have their blood pressure taken. Mica Van Fossen, who is a registered nurse, leads this ministry. Mica has also volunteered to coordinate educational programs in the field of health and emergency medical services.



## Daughters of the King

This group assists with the Parish's pastoral care by coordinating a prayer calling chain called the Prayer Tree. Any prayer request that comes through the dedicated prayer line or from the Clergy is forwarded through this chain for immediate prayer. Nancy Fincke is the Coordinator of the Prayer Tree.



## Friendship Village Ministry

Once a month the Clergy from St. Paul's visit Friendship Village to celebrate the Eucharist and to provide communion to those in the facility whom are unable to join with the "Worship in the Pub." Volunteers are welcome to come and join in this monthly worship service. The Rev. Mary Weatherwax coordinates our activities at Friendship Village.

## Funeral Receptions

Although the Lydia Circle is primarily a social organization, their main ministry is to host memorial receptions for church members when requested by their families. This ministry can always use additional hands. For more information you may contact Barbara Meharey, the chairman of Lydia Circle.

## Good Samaritan Ministry

This ministry provides parishioners who are dealing with health issues meals during the time of their recovery. In addition this ministry provides transportation when needed to doctor appointments, and transportation to church. This ministry is chaired by Ellen Goss.

## Guild of the Christ Child

The guild of the Christ Child is intended to emphasize the importance of baptism in our Episcopal tradition. Through the distribution of a framed certificate given to the parents on the day of baptism and a series of five brochures, which are distributed to the family over the first three years following baptism, parents are instructed in the meaning of baptism and reminded periodically of its importance and the church's love and concern for their child. Through this ministry, the church reaches out over a three-year period to each of the nearly thirty children baptized at St. Paul's each year. The funding for this ministry is provided by Claudia Circle, and is chaired by Arlene Dorow.

## Intercessory Prayer Ministry

The Intercessory Prayer Ministry meets regularly on Wednesday mornings at 10:30 to pray for those whose names are on our parish prayer list. Home devotion letters are also mailed out weekly to those who are ill over an extended period of time and to those who are shut-ins. Information about this ministry is available from either of the coordinators, Josie Harmon or Elaine Mycoff.



## Lay Eucharistic Visitors

The Lay Eucharistic Visitors (LEV) of St. Paul's continue to faithfully carry out their duties to distribute the Consecrated Communion elements to members of the parish who are "shut-in," in the hospital, or in a nursing facility. This ministry is performed immediately following the Sunday Eucharist. Those who participate are Lay Eucharistic Ministers who undergo additional training, and are licensed for this ministry by the Diocese. Those interested in learning more about this ministry should contact the Rev. Mabel Fanguy.

## Prayer Shawl Ministry

This group knits Prayer Shawls for the Clergy to distribute to individuals who are hospitalized or in assisted living homes. Pat Hurd coordinates this group.

## Renew

Renew is a social group for those who have lost a loved one to death. Although not a traditional grief support group, the fact that all the others have had a similar experience leads to a closeness and an awareness of what new members are experiencing. Renew meets monthly for a wide variety of social activities chosen by a different member each month. Membership over the years has remained consistent at about 24 members, and new members are welcome at any time. This ministry is lead by Arlene Dorow.

