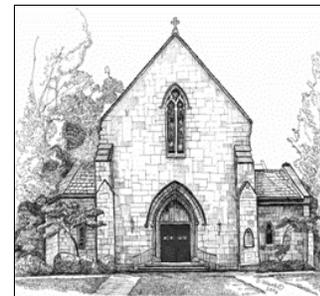


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The Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, November 19, 2017—8:45 a.m.

Celebrating—The Rev. Noah H. Evans

Preaching—The Rev. Garrett Yates

Children's Homily—The Rev. Noah H. Evans

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Welcome!

Prelude

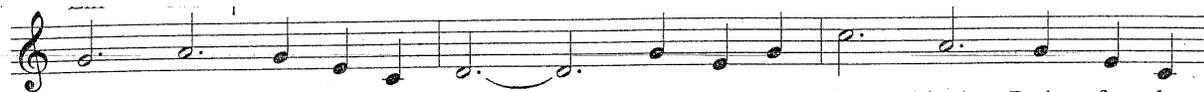
Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People Glory to God forever and ever.

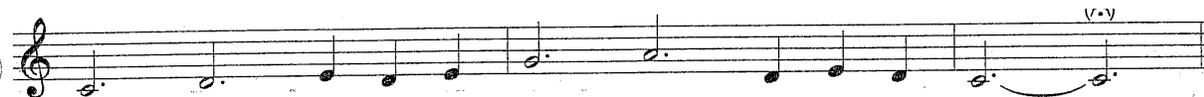
Song of Praise "Morning has broken"



1. Morn - ing has bro - - ken Like the first morn - ing, Black-bird has
2. Sweet the rain's new fall, Sun - lit from heav - en, Like the first
3. Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing Born of the



1. spo - ken Like the first bird. _____ Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the
2. dew - fall On the first grass. _____ Praise for the sweet - ness Of the wet
3. one light E - den saw play! _____ Praise with e - la - tion, Praise ev - 'ry



1. morn - ing! Praise for them, spring - ing Fresh from the Word! _____
2. gar - den, Sprung in com - plete - ness Where his feet pass. _____
3. morn - ing, God's re - cre - a - tion Of the new day! _____

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lesson

Judges 4:1-7

The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the LORD, after Ehud died. So the LORD sold them into the hand of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-ha-goiim. Then the Israelites cried out to the LORD for help; for he had nine hundred chariots of iron, and had oppressed the Israelites cruelly twenty years. At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites came up to her for judgment. She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali, and said to him, "The LORD, the God of Israel, commands you, 'Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops; and I will give him into your hand.'"

People The Word of the Lord.
 Thanks be to God.

Gospel Alleluia "Alleluia"
Please stand as you are able.

Jerry Sinclair

The image shows a musical score for the Alleluia. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "1. Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia." The first system covers the first four phrases, and the second system covers the next four phrases. The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with quarter and eighth notes.

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 25:14-30

People The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.
 Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow,

and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Following the Gospel reading, children may follow the cross to the Undercroft for a children's homily. They will return during the exchange of the peace.

Children are also welcome to remain in their pews.

The Sermon

The Rev. Garrett Yates

The Creed

We be-lieve in God al-migh-ty, Au-thor of all things that be. Ma-ker of the
 We be-lieve that Je-sus suf-fered, scourged and scorned and cru-ci-fied, ta-ken from the
 We be-lieve in God's own Spi-rit, bond-ing all the saints with-in one church, cath-o-
 earth and hea-vens, keep-er of the sky and sea. We be-lieve in God's son, Je-sus,
 cross, was bu-ried— True life there had tru-ly died. We be-lieve that on the third day
 lic and ho-ly, where for-give-ness frees from sin; In the bo-dy's re-sur-rec-tion
 now for us both Lord and Christ, of the Spi-rit and of Ma-ry, born to bring a-bun-dant life.
 Christ was raised up from the grave, and as-cend-ed to God's right hand. He will come to judge and save.
 for the break-ing of death's chain gives the life that's e-ver-last-ing. This the faith that we have claimed.

Prayers of the People

A Prayer Response will be sung, after which a petition is said, followed again by the following sung prayer response.

(intro.) D. Starr
 In your mer-cy, You called us, 'heal the sick, give
 sight to the blind. Ho-ly Spi-rit, give wis-dom
 now, and ev-er-more.

Confession of Sin

Celebrant

Let us confess our sins to God.

You may kneel or stand as you are able.

Celebrant and People

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Celebrant

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

Blessing of the Pledges

The Holy Communion

Offertory Music "Amazing Grace" (Calvary Camp setting)



A - maz - ing Grace how sweet the sound that saved a wretchlike me _____
T'was grace that taught my heart to fear, and grade my fears re - leaved. _____
When we've been there ten thous-and years, bright shi - ning as the sun _____



I once was lost but now am found was blind but now I see _____ Al-le-lu -
How prec-ious did that grace ap - pear, the hour I first be - lieved.
We've no less days to sing God's praise, then when we'd first be - gun!



- ia (Al-le-lu - ia, Al - le-lu) Al - le-lu - ia. (Al-le-lu - ia, Al - le-lu) Al - le-lu -



ia (Al-le-lu - ia, Al - le-lu) Al - le-lu - ia. (Al-le-lu - ia, Al - le-lu - ia) _____

Presentation Hymn "Lord I lift Your name on high"

Please stand as you able.

Lord I lift Your name on high. Lord I love to sing— Your
I'm so glad You're in— my life I'm so glad You— came to

4 prais-es save us. You came from heav-en to earth— to show the way

8 — from the earth— to the cross— my debt to pay— from the cross— to the grave

11 — from the grave— to the sky— Lord I lift Your name on— high. —

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Celebrant proceeds

We give thanks to you, O God, for creating the world in which we live. We give you thanks for giving us life and for letting us walk with you. We give you thanks for the birth of Jesus, so that we might live closer to you. And so we join the saints and angels in proclaiming your glory, as we sing:

Ho-ly, Ho- ly, Ho - ly Lord. God of pow-er and might

Hea-ven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Lord we sing Your praise

Ho-san-na in the high - - est Ho-san-na in the high - - est Ho-san-na in the high - - est. Lord, we sing your praise

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord. God of pow-er and might

Bless-ed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord

CODA

Lord, we sing your praise Lord, we sing your praise

ritard.....

Lord, we sing your praise

You may stand or kneel as you are able.

The Celebrant continues

O God, we praise you for your works in ages past; the deliverance of your people from persecution and hate; the words of the prophets to stir our hearts; and most of all for Jesus the Christ, who came to us to save us from sin. Through Christ you have given us hope and salvation, love and joy. Now, we come to your table to share in the great feast of Jesus Christ.

And so, O God, we bring you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord. On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

Most holy God, Father and Mother of us all, we now celebrate the memorial of your Son. By means of this holy bread and cup, we show forth the sacrifice of his death, and proclaim his resurrection, until he comes again. Gather us by this Holy Communion into one body in your Son Jesus Christ. Make us a living sacrifice of praise.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *Amen.*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Gifts of God for the people of God.

All are welcome to receive Communion. Please follow the direction of the ushers. If you need communion brought to your pew, please let the ushers know.

Communion Music: "I want to walk as a child of the light"

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in 7/8 time. It consists of four lines of music, each with a measure number (1, 5, 9, 13) at the beginning. The lyrics are written below the notes. There are three triplet markings (indicated by a '3' above a bracket) over the notes in measures 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, and 12. The lyrics are as follows:

1 I want to walk as a child of the light, I want to fol - low Je - sus.
I want to see the bright-ness of God, I want to look at Je - sus.
5 I'm look-ing for the com - ing of Christ, I want to be with Je - sus.
God set the stars to give light to the world, The Star of my life is Je - sus.
Clear Son of right-eous-ness shine on my path, and show me the way to the Fath - er.
9 When we have run with pat - ience the race, we shall know the joy of Je - sus.
In Him there's no dark-ness at all. The night and the day are both a - like The
13 Lamb is the light of the Ci - ty of God. Shine on Lord Je - sus!

Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

Recessional Hymn "Give me oil in my lamp"



1 Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burn-ing. Give me
2 Make me a fish-er of men, keep me seek-ing. Make me a
3 Give me joy in my heart, keep me sing-ing. Give me
4 Give me love in my heart, keep me serv-ing. Give me



oil in my lamp, I pray. Give me
fish-er of men, I pray. Make me a
joy in my heart, I pray. Give me
love in my heart, I pray. Give me



oil in my lamp, keep me burn-ing. keep me
fish-er of men, keep me seek-ing. keep me
joy in my heart, keep me sing-ing. keep me
love in my heart, keep me serv-ing. keep me

burn - ing 'til the break of day.
 seek - ing 'til the break of day.
 sing - ing 'til the break of day.
 serv - ing 'til the break of day.

Sing ho - san - na, sing ho - san - na,

sing ho - san - na to the King of Kings! King!

The Dismissal

People Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia!
 Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

After the dismissal, children in grades 3,4, and 5 should proceed to the chapel on the lower level of the building. All other children should proceed to their Sunday School classrooms.

Altar Flowers— The altar flowers are given to the glory of God, and in loving memory of Rose Marie, Rose, Helen, and Elizabeth Viggiano, Marilyn H. Hoffman, Charles & Alice Denhard, and Olga Archibald.

Prayer List— We pray for all who are ill, or in any trouble, need or sorrow, especially for Veronica, Katie, Doug, Schuylee, Susan, and Evelyn, and for all who are included in our parish prayer list, for our Stephen Ministers and their care receivers, for all who serve in the armed forces of the United States, and for all who are suffering from violence, persecution, or disease around the world.

We give thanks for the birth of Avery Eby, child of Bret Eby and Jamie Hannigan, grandchild of Barrett and Marsha Eby, and for the birth of Adelaide Thompson, daughter of Matt and Diana Thompson, and granddaughter of Chris and Tommy Thompson.

We pray for those who have died, for Maggie Barnett, mother of Nursery School staff member Margaret Hooton, and for Israel Rudoy, friend and neighbor of Doug and Susan Townshend, and for our loved ones who have gone before us.

SUNDAY EVENTS

Praying Out Loud, Sunday, November 19, 9:45AM

Are you uncomfortable when asked to pray out loud? Does even saying grace cause you some anxiety? Do you worry about the words you might say, or even something else? You are not alone! Join the Rev. Noah Evans as he leads a discussion on the many reasons we might have for avoiding vocalized prayer and offers practical advice, and practice, on how to pray out loud.

St. Paul's Name Tags

Several name tags have arrived, and may be picked up at the Donut Table on Sunday morning. The cost is \$7.50 per name tag. If you are paying by check, please make it out to St. Paul's Episcopal Church with name tag on the memo line. If you have questions, or would like to order a name tag please see the Donut Table.

STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship 2018: My Church, Our Community

It's Sundaes Sunday! Pledge cards are due and we will have sundaes after each church service to celebrate!

Thank you to everyone who has already made a 2018 pledge to St. Paul's Episcopal Church. As of Thursday, we have received a total of 166 pledges for a total \$496,149.50.

Last Sunday, we heard an incredible stewardship testimonial from Margaret Kroehler. You can watch it now at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=muwRfRIUQ80> Please prayerfully consider your pledge to our mission and ministry by Sunday, November 19th. On that Sunday we will be celebrating all of our giving and everyone getting in their pledge cards on time, with Sundaes Sunday - ice cream sundaes after each service!

For all of our stewardship materials, and to pledge online, go to <https://www.stpaulspgh.org/stewardship-2018/>

THANKSGIVING DAY

Thanksgiving Day Service: Thursday, Nov. 23 at 10 a.m.

Old Saint Luke's, 330 Old Washington Pike, Carnegie

The Saint Paul's Thanksgiving Day service this year will be held at Old Saint Luke's. Take a break from cooking and eating and join us for this special Holy Eucharist on Thanksgiving Day, with hymns played on Old Saint Luke's antique organ.

Thanksgiving Holiday Closings—Church offices will close on Wednesday at noon, and will be closed on Thursday, November 23 and Friday, November 24 for Thanksgiving. The clergy and staff wish everyone a blessed, safe and happy Thanksgiving.

No Wednesday Service or Bible Study--There will be no 11:00 service or Bible Study on Wednesday, November 22.

WORSHIP

Ushers needed! - Ushers greet worshipers, distribute bulletins, count attendance, receive the offering, and guide worshipers to and from communion. Right now we are recruiting ushers for both the 8:45 and the 10:45 services. Ushers at the 8:45 service are often families, and at the 10:45 service are individuals who serve on an usher team. Ushers serve every 4-6 weeks. If you are interested, or want to learn more contact Mark Tranquilli (mark.v.tranquilli@gmail.com) for 8:45 ushers or Mary Rago (mrago2@verizon.net) for 10:45 ushers.

Saturday 6:00 p.m. Service Schedule

The Saturday evening service is held at Old St. Luke's at 6:00 p.m., through Saturday, November 25. Directions to Old St. Luke's may be found by going to the homepage of our website, www.stpaulspgh.org, and click on the Weekly Worship Schedule at the top left of the page, click on Old St. Luke's near the bottom of the open screen. **Please Note:** Starting Saturday, December 2 the 6:00 p.m. service will be held in the Good Shepherd Chapel at St. Paul's through Saturday, March 24, 2018.

The Prayers of the People are written for November by John Sozansky, for December by Erin Morey, for January by the Worship Committee, and for February by Jon Delano. If you are interested in helping to write the Prayers of the People, please speak to Rev. Noah.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

The Christmas Pageant: Sunday, Dec. 24 at 4:30 p.m.

The leaves are falling from the trees, but we're already thinking about our yearly Christmas pageant. Registration, with all of the details on the form, is now available at https://stpaulspgh.formstack.com/forms/christmas_pageant_2017

There are roles for all ages and parents-- we need you, too! Practices will be the two Saturdays prior to Christmas Eve this year, which is a change from previous years in order to allow our Sunday School teachers to have a wonderful Advent experience in their classes.

Pageant practices are as follows:

Saturday, Dec. 16: 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., snacks to follow.

Saturday, Dec. 23: 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., snacks to follow.

If you have any questions, please contact Kristen Morgan at (412.531.7153 x 36, kmorgan@stpaulspgh.org).

Christmas Worship Schedule

Saturday, December 23, Advent 4

6:00 P.M. Holy Eucharist, Rite II *Chapel*

Sunday, December 24, Advent 4

9:45 A.M. Holy Eucharist with Hymns *Chapel*

Sunday, December 24, Christmas Eve

2:00 P.M. Holy Eucharist, Rite II *Church with Music*

4:30 P.M. Holy Eucharist, Rite II & Pageant *Church with Music*

8:30 P.M. Christmas Music *Church*

9:00 P.M. Holy Eucharist, Rite II *Church with Orchestra*

Sunday, December 25, Christmas

10:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist, Rite II *Church with Music*

Saturday, December 30

6:00 P.M. Holy Eucharist, Rite II *Chapel*

Sunday, December 31, First Sunday after Christmas

8:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist, Rite II *Chapel*

9:45 A.M. Holy Eucharist, Christmas Lessons & Carols *Church*

YOUTH MINISTRY

Acolytes Needed

Christmas is on the horizon! Please, check out the schedule and plan to serve. All Acolytes are expected to serve during Christmas so sign up with Paul Barker (412.531.7153 x20, pbarker@stpaulspgh.org)!

Sunday, Dec. 24 - 2 pm (Team 1 + volunteers)

4:30 pm Pageant (Team 2 + volunteers)

9:00 pm (Team 3 + volunteers)

Monday, Dec. 25 - 10 am (Team 4 + volunteers)

Sunday, Dec. 31 - 9:45 am (volunteers)

WELCOMING

Want to be a Greeter? - The Greeter Ministry welcomes all on Sunday morning by extending a welcoming hand as parishioners enter church. It's a chance to smile and express the larger community's hospitality and gratitude for each person who comes to St. Paul's. If you are interested in joining this important ministry, please contact Heidi Daley at hhdaley@aol.com.

ADULT FORUM & EDUCATION

St. Paul's 101 – Nov. 26, Dec. 3, 10 and 17, 9:45 Lounge Are you new to St. Paul's, and trying to figure out the parish? Have you been here for a while, and just want to learn more about the Episcopal Church or still find yourself wondering what's going on? Do you have questions you want to talk about? Join us for St. Paul's 101 - an overview of our parish and the Episcopal Church. This class is led by our Rector, the Rev. Noah H. Evans. For more information please go to <https://www.stpaulspgh.org/blog/st-pauls-101-returns/>

November 26: *Nooks and crannies tour of St. Paul's*

December 3: *Theology Close to the Ground: Scripture, Tradition and Reason*

December 10: *Worship: The Way of Prayer is the Way of Belief*

December 17: *Vocation & Ministry: Practicing Our Faith in Everyday Life*

Substance Abuse Forum: Wed., November 29, 12-6pm

State Representative Dan Miller will host a Substance Abuse Forum, featuring Attorney General Josh Shapiro, entitled "Challenges to Recovery," at St. Paul's. This is a free event designed to specifically address some of the common hurdles people face when fighting addiction. This half day event will cover important topics over five sessions, and will have a Resource Fair full of information and opportunities for support & assistance in our area. Attendees do not have to attend all four sessions but are encouraged to register for any and all sessions that fit their interests. Additionally, a Resource Fair will be open from 2-4pm. For more information about the event, and to register, visit MillerSubstanceAbuse.eventbrite.com.

St. Paul's reads "Let Your Life Speak" during Advent

Join us during Advent in reading Parker Palmer's classic book *Let Your Life Speak*. This is a book that opens up conversation around listening, vocation, and compassion - themes resonant with the spirit of Advent. We will be offering several small group opportunities that will meet over 3 sessions:

Sunday at 7pm, led by Eileen Sharbaugh in the Library

Wednesday at Noon, led by Rev. Noah H. Evans in the Conference Room

Wednesday at 6:30pm, led by Rev. Garrett Yates in the Chapel

Thursday at 6:30pm, led by Erin Morey in the Lounge

Groups will begin the week of 12/3, convene the following two weeks, ending the week of 12/17

*Both Garrett and Noah have copies of the book to purchase for \$15 or you can order it on Amazon or another online seller

*Email Garrett (garrett@stpaulspgh.org) with any questions; no need to RSVP, just choose a time that works for you and come.

PASTORAL

Are you interested in serving as a Lay Eucharistic Visitor?

Would you like to share the Eucharist with parishioners who cannot attend church? St. Paul's has many parishioners who are home-bound, or are not able to attend church regularly due to physical or health limitations. Each month, they have the Eucharist brought to them where they live. Consider becoming a Eucharistic Visitor and helping to minister to these folks. There will be a 90 minute training soon for those interested in being part of this ministry. The commitment is to make at least one home visit each month, which you are free to schedule when you are available. If you would like to know more, please contact the Reverend Noah H. Evans, noah@stpaulspgh.org or 412.531.7153 x11.

CHILDREN & FAMILY MINISTRY

Advent Wreath Making: Sunday, Nov. 26, 9:45 a.m.

No Sunday School, Regular Service Times

This is a not-to be missed tradition that will surely become one of your family favorites, if it isn't already. Join us in the undercroft, immediately following the 8:45a.m.service, to make an advent wreath for your home. Fresh evergreen boughs, ribbon, and candles will be available. Please bring \$5 if you have your own wreath form and \$10 if you need to purchase one (this helps defray the yearly cost of wreath forms and candles and other supplies). This event is fun and meaningful for all ages-- we hope to see you there as we prepare for the birth of Jesus! If you have any questions, please contact Kristen Morgan (412.531.7153 x 36, kmorgan@stpaulspgh.org).

OUTREACH

Outreach Commission Meeting:

Tuesday, November 21, 7:00 p.m., Library

We will review the HarvestFest dinner results, plan upcoming meals for the needy and homeless (Severe Weather Shelter and Shepherd's Heart), and make decisions on end-of-year donations.

Severe Weather Emergency Shelter: Winter Months

During the winter months, St. Paul's cooks prepare food for the Severe Weather Emergency Shelter for the homeless in downtown Pittsburgh. We provide a hot meal of meat loaf, a starch such as rice pilaf, Spanish rice, macaroni and cheese, or a potato casserole, and Cole slaw. St. Paul's will need to provide 200 meals. The dates for this winter are Wednesday, November 29, Thursday, December 14, Thursday, January 25, Wednesday, February 7, and Wednesday, March 7. The meat loaves should be baked, and wrapped whole, not sliced, in foil, labeled and placed in the freezer at St. Paul's. Recipe for the meat loaf can be found on the Resource table in the undercroft. Volunteers are still needed to help make the side dishes and slice the meatloaves, and to drive to the city to deliver the food. Any questions, contact Pat Stafford (pkeagon@gmail.com).

Christmas Food Pantry Offerings

As in the past, South Hills Food Pantry would like to include fresh produce (apples, oranges, tangerines, and/or potatoes) with their Christmas deliveries. St. Paul's has made this possible in recent years and with your help we are planning to do so again. Please remember to include apples, oranges, tangerines and/or potatoes with your non-perishable food offerings on December 3. If you are not going to be in church on December 2-3, you may place your gifts in the box marked "Food Pantry" outside the library either the week before or the week after 12/2-3. If you prefer to give cash, please mark your check memo line "food pantry" and place in the offering plate. Your contributions are gratefully accepted by those in need.

FELLOWSHIP

Lydia Circle Meeting: Tuesday, Dec. 5 at 1 p.m., Lounge

Please come and meet Kate, the Therapy Dog, and learn what she does to make people feel better. We will also discuss the distribution of funds. All ladies are welcome to join us.

Rector's Advent Open House: Sat., December 16, 1-5PM 240 Woodhaven Drive, Mt. Lebanon

Drop by for food, drink, fun and fellowship with our Rector, Noah, and his family, Sara, Isaiah and Adah. Bishop Dorsey McConnell will be coming by around 2:30PM to bless the house. All are welcome to come to the annual informal Advent gathering!

MUSIC

Friends of Music Concert: Sunday, Dec. 10 at 4:00 p.m.

Our next Friends of Music Concert features our very own Alexandra Thompson, Cellist. Allie attended St. Paul's growing up, sang in the Canterbury Choir and Youth Choir, played a great number of times in worship and now plays in the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra. She will perform an assortment of classical works and holiday favorites. Proud father and retired PSO member, Thomas Thompson will be in attendance with beautiful wife and singer, Christine Thompson. Come join us for a most splendid concert! Suggested Donation; \$10.

REMINDERS

Messenger Deadline: Wednesday, November 22

The December Messenger will be published on Friday, December 1. If you have information for the December issue, please contact Erin Morey (emorey@stpaulspgh.org, 412.531.7153, x15).

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Dear Ladies of St. Paul's,

A Christmas Luncheon for St. Paul's Women will be held on Thursday, December 7, 2017
12:30 p.m. at Peter's Place, 1199 Washington Pike, Bridgeville, PA 15017.

Christmas Luncheon Cost: \$22.00/person

Menu:

Entrée (Please choose one)

Chicken Melanise -Lightly Breaded Chicken Breast prepared in a Lemon Butter Sauce

Virginia Spots

Pecan Cranberry Salad with Chicken, Raspberry Dressing

Sides: Heavenly Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad

Dessert Buffet

Deadline for Reservations Friday, December 1, 2017

To R.S.V.P. please write a check made payable to ECW
with your name, phone number and choice of entrée.

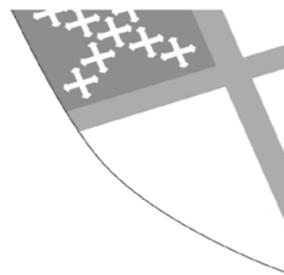
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300 Madison Avenue, Apt. 309 Pittsburgh, PA 15243

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We're glad you're worshipping with us today.

Everything you will need for the service
will be found in this booklet.

Know that God loves everyone, no exceptions.

You are always welcome at God's table at St. Paul's.

St Paul's is a spiritual home and welcoming community to people of all ages, generations, educational backgrounds, financial means, abilities and disabilities, races, ethnicities and nationalities, without regard to sexual orientation, gender, gender identity/expression, with many different family and religious backgrounds. Some of us are lifelong Episcopalians; some were raised in other Protestant denominations or in the Roman Catholic Church; some are new to the Christian faith; some are not quite sure what they believe. There is a place here for you.

Parents of young children, if your child needs to nurse, we encourage you to do so wherever and whenever you feel most comfortable.

God created children just as they are, and all are welcome in God's house. You can relax knowing you don't have to suppress your children's "joyful noise" here. We en-

courage you to sit close to the front so they can more easily see and hear. You can quietly explain the parts of the service, and what the priest, ushers, choir, etc. are doing. If you would like to step outside the service with your child, please come back! (Remember, Jesus said "Let the children come to me.")

Sing the hymns, pray, and voice the responses. Children learn liturgical behavior by copying you. Remember that the way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to the church, to God, and one another. Let them know they are welcome in this house of worship.

For those who wish to use it, **childcare for children under the age of 3 is available** during the services. The childcare room is for children up to age 3. It is located on the same floor as the Church, exit the doors to the left of the altar. It is the last room on the right.

Pray & Play Bags are available for children who need something extra to do during worship. The bags are located at the entrances to the Church.

The presence of children is a gift to the church and they are a reminder that our congregation is growing. Please welcome our children and give a smile of encouragement to their parents!

If you are not familiar with receiving Communion (also known as the Eucharist, Mass or Lord's Supper) in the Episcopal Church, please know that all people, regardless of age or denomination, are invited and encouraged to receive. Follow the directions of the ushers to one of the Communion stations at the front or back of the Church. We will place a communion wafer in your outstretched hands, which you may either eat, or wait to dip it in the cup of communion wine. If you eat the bread, you may drink from the cup when it is extended to you. If you prefer, you may choose not to drink the wine.

Are you or your child on a Gluten Free Diet? Gluten-free wafers are available at the left altar rail. Please let one of the clergy know if you require these special wafers.

If you have any questions or comments concerning the service or St. Paul's, please share them with a member of the clergy. More information about the parish may be found at our website, www.stpaulspgh.org. If you are not on our mailing list, please fill out a newcomers' card found in the pew in front of you and put it in the offering plate or give it to a Greeter or one of the clergy. Thank you for being with us. We hope you will come back soon and often.

