



# St. Paul's Happenings

St. Paul's United Church of Christ  
Manheim PA

December 2018  
January 2019

LET'S MAKE A DIFFERENCE - THROUGH THE LOVE OF CHRIST - TOGETHER!

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## Always Winter...

By Pastor Bill Long, Interim Pastor

Of course it's not always winter, unless you live in Alaska??? But on Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> we had the beginnings of winter and believe it or not, it's still fall! Was the early snow storm a premonition of things to come? We had a very wet summer and if the weather goes cold and we keep the moisture, well, keep the snow shovels ready!

Paul writes in 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy 4:21, "Come before winter". If you read 2 Timothy 4:9-22, Paul asks Timothy to come to him as soon as possible. Then Paul explains why. His time is running out and I think that Paul would like someone to be with him and there are some things that need to be done. For Paul this is the "winter of his life", the beginning of the end.

But this does not explain the quote "Always winter but never Christmas." The quote is from C. S. Lewis' "The Lion, The Witch and The

Wardrobe." Narnia is gripped in a winter with no Christmas, which means that sin rules the land and there is no Christ! Without Christ our hearts are always held by the icy hand of winter. In the story, Aslan, the Lion (Christ figure), begins to move then the snow begins to melt, and Father Christmas arrives! So comes Spring, life and resurrection.

When Christmas arrives, we receive several great Christmas gifts from God. The great gift is Christ our Lord and He gives to us the gifts of righteousness, freedom from sin (winter) and eternal life –freedom from death itself! So winter's icy grip on the heart is destroyed.

I remember that in college my roommate told me about the C. S. Lewis classic stories of the Narnia tales of which The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe is the first. But he also warned me not to read these books until the Christmas break and after the fall semester. I did not heed the warning. I did make it through

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## Always Winter...

the final exams but I could not put the books down. So on a cold winters night, pick up *The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe* and have your heart warmed by a great read. And thank God that for Christians, it's **Always Christmas and Never Winter!**

Merry Christmas!  
In Christ,  
Pastor Bill

## December & January Lectionary

Hope you are enjoying the new Celebrate lectionary inserts in worship! Please take the insert home with you to continue your worship of God each and every day.

**December 2** – Advent 1: Jeremiah 33:14-16; Psalm 25: 1-10; 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13; Luke 21:25-36.

**December 9** – Advent 2: Malachi 3:1-4; Luke 1:68-79; Philippians 1:3-11; Luke 3:1-6.

**December 16** – Advent 3: Zephaniah 3:14-20; Isaiah 12:2-6; Philippians 4:4-7; Luke 3:7-18.

**December 23** – Advent 4: Micah 5:2-5a; Luke 1:46b-55; Hebrews 10:5-10; Luke 1:39-55.

**December 24/25** – Nativity of Our Lord: Isaiah 9:2-7; Psalm 96; Titus 2:11-14; Luke 2:1-20.

**December 30** – Christmas 1: 1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26; Psalm 148; Colossians 3:12-17; Luke 2:41-52.

**January 6** – Epiphany of Our Lord: Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14; Ephesians 3:1-12; Matthew 2:1-12.

**January 13** – Baptism of Our Lord: Isaiah 43:1-7; Psalm 29; Acts 8:14-17; Luke 3:15-17, 21-22.

**January 20** – Epiphany 2: Isaiah 62:1-5, Psalm 36:5-10; 1 Corinthians 12:1-11; John 2:1-11.

**January 27** – Epiphany 3: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10; Psalm 19; 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a; Luke 4:14-21.



## Advent

Advent — the first season of the liturgical year — includes the four Sundays and weeks prior to December 25. Advent dates from the fourth century, when it lasted 40 days and included fasting and solemnity, much like Lent.

*Advent* is from *Adventus*, Latin for “coming,” referring to Jesus’ birth in Bethlehem and also his second coming. The traditional colors of Advent are purple for penitence or blue for hope.

Observing Advent is a meaningful, adventurous way to prepare for Christmas. Buy or make an Advent wreath and use candles of your choice: four blue, four purple, or



three blue or purple and one pink. If you have a fifth spot, add one white Christ candle. During meals or devotions, light only one candle the first week. Add another for each new week (the pink candle traditionally marks the third week), concluding with the white candle (if you have one) on Christmas. The increasing light reminds us we’re getting closer to celebrating Christ’s light coming into the world.

Advent begins Sunday, December 2.

## Fellowship Breakfast

Come out to Kountry Kitchen Family Restaurant on Rt. 72 north of Manheim for a fun and filling Fellowship Breakfast.

**The Fellowship Breakfast will be held on Wednesday, December 19 @ 8:30 am.** Please RSVP to the church office at 717.665.2447. All are welcome!

## Inclement Weather

Go to [wgal.com](http://wgal.com) or WGAL during inclement weather to check on services/events changes or cancellations. And be safe out there!

## Christmas @ St. Paul's UCC



### Decorating Party:

On Friday, November 30, we'll meet @ 6 pm to enjoy pizza together in Fellowship Hall and begin decorating @ 6:30 pm throughout the church. It's a really fun time – come out and join in the fun!



### 2019 Mission Team Fundraiser:

It's already that time again to order your Christmas gift cards! Remember, purchasing your gift cards with us costs the same as it would in the store, but a percentage of your purchase goes to St. Paul's Mission Team. Choose from retailers like Cabela's, Weis Markets, Sheetz, iTunes, Bass Pro, Bath & Body Works, and so many more. Place your orders on Sunday mornings during Coffee Hour and you will have your gift card order the following Sunday. Payment is due at time of order. **Last day to place your order is Sunday, December 2.** Let the Mission Team help you with your Christmas shopping! Contact is Akira Owens at [717.665.2447/amowens@ptd.net](mailto:717.665.2447/amowens@ptd.net).



### Breakfast with Santa & Giveaway

Gather up the kids and grandkids to come and meet Santa at St. Paul's **FREE Breakfast with Santa on Saturday, December 1 @ 9-10:30 am!**

First there will be a delicious pancake breakfast and then Santa will be here handing out goodie bags to all the children who visit him. This is a great photo opportunity for families as well! Be sure to mark your calendars now – you won't want to miss Santa! Once again, St. Paul's will also sponsor a **Children's Winter Giveaway** during the Breakfast with Santa to benefit kids in need right here in Manheim!

For more information, contact Akira Owens at [amowens@ptd.net](mailto:amowens@ptd.net) or 717.665.2447.



### Making Memories:

Come enjoy a special treat to celebrate the beginning of Advent season on **Sunday, December 2**, starting with worship at 9:30 am. Once called Hanging of the Greens, Advent Celebration will be a great opportunity following worship to sing Christmas carols, enjoy a hot cup of coffee or cocoa with cookies

and enjoy connecting with each other. **Please bring a dozen of your favorite cookies to share!**

## Night of the Father's Love

Save the date for Sunday, **December 16 @ 9:30 am** when St. Paul's will share the Christmas musical celebration for choirs, speakers and orchestra in a "Night of the Father's Love – the Awe and Mystery of God with Us."



### Christmas Eve:

On Monday, December 24, Christmas Eve worship services will be held at:

- ◆ 7 pm with Candlelighting
- ◆ 11 pm Communion Service with Candlelighting

The Chancel Choir will sing at the 7 pm worship service. The praise team will sing at the 11 pm worship service.

Come and celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ at St. Paul's UCC!



## Salvation Army Bellringers

St. Paul's UCC will once again participate in the bellringing at Longenecker's hardware to benefit the Salvation Army which helps local families in need during difficult times on **Tuesday, December 11 from noon-8 pm.**

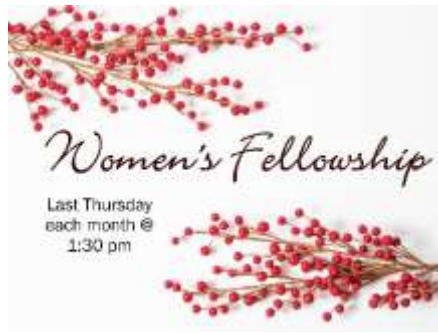
If you wish to ring the bell at Longenecker's Hardware in early December, please contact Pam Herman in the church office at 717.665.2447 or by email at [stpaulsmanheim@ptd.net](mailto:stpaulsmanheim@ptd.net).

And thank you for considering ringing the bell! Please know that when you ring, you directly provide funds for an important ministry to people in need in the Manheim area.

## Cookbooks make a Great Gift!

St. Paul's Cookbook makes a great gift – and they only cost \$10 each! Cookbooks make an ideal gift for Christmas as well as a shower or wedding gift!

Contacts are June Smith or Pam Herman in the church office.



## Women's Fellowship

Can you believe that we're already plowing into 2019? Let's see what winter holds for Women's Fellowship!

We're kicking off December by remembering our home bound St. Paul's family and our friends at Danner Home with poinsettias and Christmas gift bags. On Sunday, December 2nd, both the poinsettias and gift bags will be available for pick up, so that they may be delivered to those who are shut in this season. Please remember to indicate on the sign-up sheet to whom you are delivering your gift bag.

**January means that it's Sub Sale time!** Hosting the Sub Sale is a staple fundraising activity for Women's Fellowship and one of our favorites as well. We will be taking orders on Sunday, January 6th, 13th, & 20th, with pick up on Thursday, January 24th from 3-6 pm.

Please keep in mind that our actual Women's Fellowship meeting will take place on Thursday, January 31st, weather permitting.

Women's Fellowship would like to thank Kat and Bob Prince for their diligent service to organizing and serving the funeral luncheons this

year. Due to health, Bob and Kat will not be able to continue the funeral luncheons, but we are grateful for their labor of love. Please lift them up in your prayers, and please see June Smith if you are able to help us continue to serve these luncheons. You do not have to be a member of Women's Fellowship to help. If you can serve, cook, set up, clean up, or assist with shopping, please notify June Smith as soon as possible.

Finally, a huge thank you to everyone who helped to decorate the church windows for Thanksgiving this year. The windows look beautiful and festive. Your work is greatly appreciated.

**Again, our next Women's Fellowship meeting takes place on January 31st at 1:30, weather permitting. We'll see you there.**

We've got a busy winter ahead of us. Let's remember that we can do all things through Christ who strengthens us!

Cheerfully,  
Akira May Owens



## FREE Breakfast

The January FREE Community Breakfast will be held on Saturday, January 19 from 9-10:30 am.

Come out and enjoy a delicious, warm breakfast with even warmer friendships!



## Two Hundred & Fifty!

### 2019: A Year of Celebration.

St. Paul's is having a birthday! 250 years of serving God and Manheim. **Come join us on January 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM as we kick off a year of celebration.** Following our regular service will be birthday cake and brunch followed by "unhanging" of the greens if you wish to stay. Note on your calendars we want all to be there.

Sincerely, Joe Raia, Anniversary Chair.

P.S. Look for upcoming events on each 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the year 2019.

## 2 Timothy Bible Study

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy Bible Study starts on Wednesday evenings, January 9 @ 6:30 pm.

What does being above reproach mean for us as followers of Christ? Come and find out together!

For more information or to order a study guide, please contact either Akira Owens or Pam Herman in the church office – 717.665.2447.

## Youth Ministry Update

On **Friday, February 1st**, from 5:30-7 pm **Black Light Game Night** is back again!



For the last two years, the kids of Manheim have had a blast playing glow-in-the-dark games, making ice cream sundaes, and just hanging out in our youth room. We've had a great time, with a lot of laughs, and even the adults get a little silly at Black Light Game Night.

So, invite your middle schoolers and high schoolers! And if you are able to volunteer by chaperoning some games, setting up, cleaning up, or helping out with food, please let me know! Contact me at 717.665.24447 or [amowens@ptd.net](mailto:amowens@ptd.net). It's going to be fun so get those glow sticks ready!

Youth and Family Minister,  
Akira Owens

## Mission of the Month

**The December Mission of the Month is Teen Central.**

The mission of Teen Central is to proclaim a life of purpose and hope to each generation of youth, through Jesus Christ, by providing positive activities, mentoring relationships, and promoting social, intellectual, emotional, and spiritual growth.

How is the mission accomplished? By providing a safe and attractive youth facility, where volunteers and staff can encounter our community's youth and carry out the mission. By engaging Christian volunteers as staff, mentors, and positive role models. Thirdly, by providing social events that foster positive relationships and healthy behavior. And finally, by providing life skills training and spiritual input sessions.

Please use your December special envelope to support the youth in Manheim through Teen Central.

For more information about Teen Central, go to [www.teencentralmanheim.org](http://www.teencentralmanheim.org).

The 2019 Missions of the Month are to be determined at the next council meeting on Tuesday, December 18. Look for more information to come.

## Food Pantry

In October, the Manheim Central Food Pantry served 95 households for a total of 279 individuals. Three new households signed up for a total of 10 individuals.

Food items needed for this month:

- ◆ Canned fruit/vegetables
- ◆ Canned chicken/Spam
- ◆ Applesauce
- ◆ Boxed/canned potatoes
- ◆ Strawberry jelly
- ◆ Vegetable or cream soups
- ◆ Egg noodles

Please feel free to drop off your donations at the Food Pantry located at 334 W. Gramby Street or drop off at the Food Pantry display located near the kitchen.

Thanks for supporting the Manheim Food Pantry.



## Council Highlights

Church Council met on Tuesday, November 20 @ 7 pm. Highlights of the meeting include:

### Memorial Gifts & Endowment:

Eric Myers reported:

- ◆ Endowment Fund value is \$944,584.22
- ◆ \$55,833.30 of the \$150,108 approved has been withdrawn so far this year

### Treasurers Report:

Eric Myers reported:

- ◆ Benevolence: We have met our OCWM pledge for 2018; \$1,120 was received for Disaster Relief.
- ◆ Operating: Supplies & maintenance expenses were high due to emergency sink repair. CAT & Organ Repair income show under miscellaneous – CAT expenses show under Workshops & Camps.
- ◆ Capital: \$14,304 has been received year to date - \$2,304 above budget.

### Pastor's Report:

- ◆ Many hospital and shut-in visits this month.

### Committee Reports:

- ◆ Property Board: Work on the air conditioning will be scheduled shortly; the board has run into a snag ordering a metal door for the memorial garden door.
- ◆ Pastoral Search Committees: An update will be given by Karen Brandt in worship on Sunday, December 2. Please keep this committee and this process in prayer.

### Old Business:

- ◆ 2019 Budget: The Budget committee presented the proposed 2019 Budget for council approval. Motion carried. The congregation to vote on the proposed budget on Sunday, December 9.

### New Business:

- ◆ January Congregational Meeting: A date for the annual congregational meeting was set for

Sunday, January 27 following worship. Coffee hour to follow the meeting.

- ◆ Phone System: Our current phone system is now at end of life – the parts/service can no longer be performed on the system. Pam shared two proposals by Ecomm: 1) upgrade equipment for a cost of \$2,797 which does not include a maintenance contract; 2) a VOIP system with an initial cost of \$513.50 and about the same monthly cost currently being paid to Windstream for our phone lines. Council approved the VOIP system which uses the internet and provides more portability for phone calls and voice mails.

### Open Discussion:

- ◆ Winter Cancellation Procedure will be shared with the congregation in upcoming bulletins and newsletters – see Inclement Weather on page 2.
- ◆ Praise Team Leader position: once a job description is written and approved, the position will be posted and open to all who wish to apply.

The next council meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 18 @ 7 pm. The December Communion & Church Closer is Sylvia Shelley.

Respectfully submitted,  
Pam Herman, Recording Secretary

**Church Council Minutes/Packets are posted in Fellowship Hall, in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor hallway and are also available to you in the church office by request.**

### Important Upcoming Congregational Meetings:

- ◆ A Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, December 9 @ 10:45 am in the Sanctuary re: the 2019 Budget.
- ◆ January 27, 2019 following worship will be the Annual Congregational Meeting. Coffee Hour will follow the meeting.
- ◆ Annual Reports for all committees are due to the church office no later than Sunday, January 6.

## Requests for Prayer

If you have a prayer request, please contact Joan Hess at 717.665.4705 to add a name to the prayer list. Names of those in retirement and nursing home facilities, as well as our homebound members, will remain on the list permanently as a reminder to keep these individuals wrapped in prayer and to remember them with your cards, phone calls, and visits:

Miriam Bargo  
Dawn Hoffman  
Linda Rohrer  
Polly Stoner  
\*Nancy Brosey  
\*Skylar Migliaccio  
\*Connie Shirk

Martha Bricker  
Nancy Lishman  
Burt Savitz  
Doris Stroud  
\*Ralph Givler  
\*Linda Osborn  
\*Cindy Zdradzinsk

Hannah Good Fisher  
Anna Mary Peters  
Carole Shank  
Lisa Weaver  
\*Betz Klopp

Deb Griffith  
Marie Rhodes  
Michael Shelley  
\*Carrie Mathiot

\*Judy Longo's granddaughter, Maya

In the Military:  
Cindy Dieterly

Doug Pearson

Nathaniel Sexton

## Worship Attendance

October 28 - 82

November 4 - 79

November 11 - 73

November 18 - 78

November 25 - 68



Thanks for  
Worshipping With Us

## Thank You Notes

Pastor Bill & St. Paul's,

We wanted to extend our sincere gratefulness to you for Baptizing Remy on October 21, 2018.

This was such a special moment for our family and we were so honored to have you do this. We look forward to many years at St. Paul's as our family grows.

With Love, Aaron, Amy &  
Remington Kopp

Thanks to all who attended St. Paul's Fellowship Breakfasts. We open with prayer, then enjoy a delicious meal. It's a delightful time for camaraderie.

Looking forward to having you join us at our next Fellowship Breakfast on **Wednesday, December 19 @ 8:30 am @ Kountry Kitchen** due to the Christmas & New Year holidays.

Blessings & Happy New Year,  
Claire Reed

*Thank You!*

Dear St. Paul's,

The Barto Family would like to thank everyone for their support after the death of our beloved mother, Anna Mae.

The visits by the pastor were uplifting and all the prayers gave us strength. From organist, to women's fellowship, and custodian who helped during the celebration, Thank You! Also for the cards, thank you. St. Paul's has a tradition of caring people – it certainly felt good to experience it once again.

The Barto Family

# December & January Birthdays & Anniversaries

## December Birthdays:

- 3 – Bev Leibold
- 4 – Benjamin Peiffer
- 5 – Cayson Longenecker
- 6 – Robert Loop
- 8 – Jenn Givler
  - Sydney Peters
- 9 – Timothy Fegely
- 10 – Todd Nauman
- 12 – Edna (Betts) Klopp
  - Judy Palfrey
- 13 – Maybelle Martin
- 14 – Keegan Nauman
- 15 – Delores Forry
- 17 – Sally Young
- 18 – Beverly Geib
- 19 – Fay Doster
  - John Fantom
- 25 – Marian King
- 26 – Taylor Eckert
  - Sylvia Shelley
- 27 – Kathleen Prince
- 28 – Doris Stroud
- 29 – Wayne Martin
- 30 – Donna Ricketts
  - Cayden Troop
- 31 – Abbey Fee

## January Birthdays:

- 2 – Karen Weiss
- 3 – Aaron Kopp
- 7 – Sandy Bareford
- 8 – Becky Becker
- 9 – William Kauffman
- 10 – Brent Peiffer
- 11 – Linford Harley
  - Joseph Wells
- 14 – Ron Nauman
- 15 – Ronald Swartz
- 16 – Gregory Mumma
- 18 – Maddix Newhouse
- 21 – Ed Parido
- 22 – Rhonda Raia
- 23 – Marie Bryant
  - Jackson Lau
- 24 – Heidi Ganse
- 27 – Hannah Fisher
- 28 – Eleanor Paine

## Anniversaries:

- Dec. 23 – Robert & Fay Doster
- Dec. 24 – Edgar & Aldine Bergeron
- Jan. 9 – Menno & Betty Lou Stoner
- Jan. 16 – Harry & Joanne Lehman

Please note that Edna (Betts) Klopp will turn 95 on Dec. 12. Please send cards to her at:

Edna "Betts" Klopp  
1437 Ionia Street  
Jacksonville, FL 32206









## December 2018

Sunday
Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
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Saturday

 <span style="font-size: 4em; color: red; font-family: cursive;">December</span>		<p><b>1</b> 9:00am Santa Breakfast</p> 				
<p><b>2</b> 9:30am One Worship 10:30am Advent Celebration</p>	<p><b>3</b> 5:30pm Weight Watchers 7:00pm Property Board</p>	<p><b>4</b> 10:00am Bible2School 12:00pm Staff Meeting</p>	<p><b>5</b> 10:00am Bible2School 7:00pm Kids Bells 7:30pm Adult Bells 8:00pm Christmas Cantata Practice 8:45pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>6</b> 10:00am Bible2School 6:00pm Manheim Women's Club Cookis Boxes 6:00pm Simply Yoga 7:00pm AA Meeting</p>	<p><b>7</b></p>	<p><b>8</b></p>
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## January 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p style="font-size: 2em; color: #0070C0; font-weight: bold; margin-top: 10px;">January</p>		<p><b>1</b> Happy New Year - Office Closed</p>	<p><b>2</b> 10:00am Bible2School 7:00pm Kids Bells 7:30pm Adult Bells 8:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>3</b> 10:00am Bible2School 6:00pm Simply Yoga 6:30pm Manheim Women's Club 7:00pm AA Meeting</p>	<p><b>4</b></p>	<p><b>5</b> 4:00pm Alternate Choir Rehearsal</p>
<p><b>6</b> Epiphany 9:30am One Worship 9:30am 250 Anniversary Celebration 10:30am Women's Fellowship Sub Sale 12:00pm De- Decorating Party w/Luncheon</p>	<p><b>7</b> 5:30pm Weight Watchers 7:00pm Property Board</p>	<p><b>8</b> 10:00am Bible2School 7:00pm Manheim Women's Club Mtg.</p>	<p><b>9</b> 10:00am Bible2School 6:30pm 2 Timothy Bible Study/Stay &amp; Pray 7:00pm Kids Bells 7:30pm Adult Bells 8:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>10</b> 10:00am Bible2School 6:00pm Simply Yoga 7:00pm AA Meeting</p>	<p><b>11</b></p>	<p><b>12</b></p>
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## 9:30 am Usher Schedule

**Team 1** - \*Steve Balmer, Terry Myers, Ron Forry

**Team 2** – New Team Needed

**Team 3** - \*Lynn Brewer, Dottie Boger, Eric Myers & Wayne Deem

**Team 4** - \*Ed Kopp & Jay Hess

**Team 5** – \*Dave Ludwig, Rick Conley, Menno Stoner & Tom Brewer

Substitutes are: Jane Laube and Wayne Deem

If you are unable to serve, please contact your team captain and let him/her know the name of your replacement.

Date	Team	Date	Team
December 2	3	December 30	5
December 9	4	January 6	1
December 16	5	January 13	3
December 23	1	January 20	4
December 24 @ 7 pm	3	January 27	5
December 24 @ 11 pm	4	February 3	1

## Greeters

Dec. 2 – Terry & Bonnie Myers

Dec. 9 – June Kopp & Julia Shreiner

Dec. 16 – Menno & Betty Lou Stoner

Dec. 23 – Maybelle Martin

Dec. 30 – Phyllis Smeltz

Jan. 6 – Jay & Joan Hess

Jan. 13 – Ron & Glenda Carper

Jan. 20 – Bill & Marlena Green

Jan. 27 – Dottie Boger



A very special thank you to everyone who served as Greeters during 2018! Your ministry for our Lord is exceptional!

## Contact the Church Office

Please remember to contact the church office at [717.665.2447](tel:717.665.2447)/[stpaulsmanheim@ptd.net](mailto:stpaulsmanheim@ptd.net) if you or your family member from St. Paul's will be hospitalized or needs pastoral care. For **emergency** weekends, please call Pastor Bill directly at 717.228.0949.

Please also contact the church office if your address, email, or phone number changes. Thanks!



## Giving Envelopes & End of Year Giving Info



**Offering Envelopes:** Your 2019 Offering Envelopes will be available in Fellowship Hall by Sunday, December 9. Please consider delivering those of your neighbor or family members who might not be able to pick up their own offering envelopes. Please contact the church office if you prefer to use direct withdrawal. Thanks!

**Year End Contributions** to be credited for 2018 must be received in the church office by Sunday, December 30. Contributions received after that date will go into 2019 *regardless of the date on the check*.



## Famous Quotes

“Learn to light a candle in the darkest moments of someone's life. Be the light that helps others see.”  
—Roy T. Bennett



## Communication Deadlines

*St. Paul's Happenings* is printed monthly with the exception of the combined issues in December/January and July/August. The deadline to submit articles is typically by the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month before publication. **The February 2019 issue deadline is Sunday, January 20, 2018.**

Bulletin information/announcements are due to the church office no later than Wednesday morning @ 8 am. Typically, announcements in the bulletin run no more than 2-3 weeks. Submit your information by dropping off in the church office or by email at [stpaulsmanheim@ptd.net](mailto:stpaulsmanheim@ptd.net)

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Interim Pastor	The Rev. Bill Long
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Sandy Bareford	
Danette Fair	
Ron Forry, Secretary	
David Ludwig, President	
Gretchen Miller, Assistant Treasurer	
Eric Myers, Treasurer	
Amanda Peiffer	
Sylvia Shelley	
Non-voting Ex-Officio Member by Position:	
The Rev. Bill Long, Interim Pastor	
Pam Herman, Church Administrator & Recording Secretary	



# Welcome to St. Paul's Happenings!

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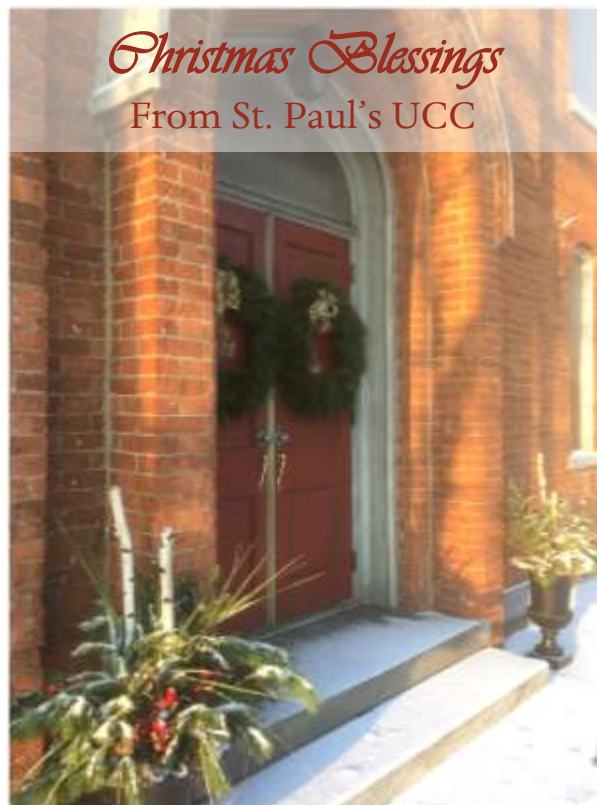
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### Sunday Worship:

ONE Worship @ 9:30 am; Small Groups @ 10:30 am

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