



ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH
ROOTED AND GROWING

Announcements

Sunday July 13, 2025

Kentucky Mission Trip: Our St. Paul youth & chaperones are on their way to Kentucky this week to serve communities impacted by floods. Please keep them in your prayers!

SPF (St. Paul Faith Fun): Sundays from 11:00 - 12:00 all summer for free-play, fellowship, fun and friends. Join us after the outdoor service for kickball, legos, painting and more! All ages!

The Second Annual Potluck Picnic for St. Paul Women: will be held on **Thursday, July 17th at 6 pm in the Social Hall**. Please bring a favorite dish to share. Place settings and beverages will be provided. The event is for ALL women of the congregation. The picnic is a perfect way to make new friends and reconnect over the summer. For information- contact Phyllis Frankhouser, 717-626-4200 or email jerrefrankhouser@gmail.com.

Volunteers: We thank those who have stepped up this summer to take on new volunteer roles! We are currently hoping to find people who could help out with some basic maintenance of the Sacred Ground meadow and/or trees. If you are interested, please contact Al Rothermel, rothermel16@gmail.com or Suzanne Black, sblack@stpaulilititz.net

Summer Office Hours: Monday to Thursday: 9am - Noon; Friday CLOSED.

CHURCH TOUR

New to St. Paul and want to learn your way around the church building? Please join us on **Sunday, August 3rd at 11:00 AM** to take a tour of the church. Suzanne Black & Ellen Harpel will meet you at the Pavillion after the 10:00 outdoor worship service to show you around the church. Any questions, please contact Suzanne Black at sblack@stpaulilititz.net or Ellen Harpel at eharpel@stpaulilititz.net or call the church office at 717-626-4709.

COMMON GROUND GROUPS

Talk the Walk: This group of parents raising elementary/middle school kids is hosting a night of summer family fun at the church pavilion on **Friday, August 15th at 7pm**. Families who share this common ground are invited! Come for s'mores and games. Bring a flashlight for nighttime tag. Check your email for more details. Questions: Jenn Maryniak jennmaryniak@gmail.com.

20's and 30's: We had been meeting to play Trivia at Collusion Tap Works in Lititz on Wednesday nights (beginning at 7 PM). But we found it was too crowded and have started meeting up at the church to play board games.

The WELCA Ladies Lunch Bunch will be held on July 15 at 11:30 at Fox Meadows Creamery. Please feel free to join us for a delicious lunch and yummy ice cream. RSVP is necessary for this lunch. Please text Nancy Miller at 717-405-0000 or email at nmiller424@aol.com by July 13.

Dementia Support Community: Many families face the challenge of knowing how to love and provide care for a family afflicted with dementia. On the fourth Tuesday of each month a group gets together to share their stories, provide mutual encouragement, and learn how best to provide care for the family member and oneself. The next meeting is in July.

Weekly Bible Study: Weekly Bible study with Pastor Rob takes place every Thursday at 9:30am and 10:30 AM in the Media Room. [Zoom is also available.](#)

SACRED GROUNDS

The Sacred Grounds Book Club: Please join us for a time of gathering in a beautiful setting as we explore the intersection of our faith, lived experience and creation. We will learn from and converse about the perspectives of a singer-songwriter, a psychiatrist and psychotherapist, and a farmer as we contemplate the goodness, beauty, and restorative nature of God's creation and what it means to be good caretakers of it.

- Monday, July 21st at 7:00pm; The Well-Gardened Mind by Sue-Stuart Smith
- Monday, August 25th at 7:00pm; Pastoral Song: A Farmer's Journey by James Rebanks

To RSVP and purchase the books if interested, or if you have questions, please contact Scott Frase at sfrase@stpaulinitz.net or (717) 925-0366. We hope you can join us!

Labyrinth Instruction: Walking a Labyrinth is an ancient form of Christian meditation, contemplation, and prayer. On Sundays July 20, 27, August 24 and 31 Pastor Robert will offer guidance on how persons make use of the Labyrinth as a tool to assist their communion with God. This will take place immediately after worship.

YOUTH MINISTRY

ALIVE Retreat at Camp Nawakwa: On September 26-28, 2025, our 7th and 8th graders have the opportunity to attend the ALIVE Retreat at Nawakwa. The ALIVE retreat is a synod event where middle school students are able to cultivate their faith and relationships with each other, and build community through a variety of activities throughout the weekend! For more information, please visit the following link, <https://www.lss-elca.org/events/alive-2025/>. For registration and pricing information please contact Scott Frase, sfrase@stpaulinitz.net.

GIVING



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ELCA.org/flooding

In the face of disaster, the ELCA, through Lutheran Disaster Response, shares relief today and builds resilience for tomorrow.

Flooding is one of the most common natural disasters in the United States. Across the country, we support communities as they recover from devastating floodwaters. LDR works with synods and partners to respond to urgent needs, give emotional and spiritual care, support long-term recovery (including disaster case management and meeting unmet needs), and provide educational training for synods and partners in affected regions.

Lutheran Disaster Response works through strong partnerships with ELCA synods, congregations and other organizations. We recognize that every disaster is local and responses need to be rooted in community. Our partners know their communities the best and can address local needs.

Your gifts to LDR support our church's work to share healing and renewal with people who lives have been disrupted by disaster. Together we can reflect Christ's light and hope to our neighbors in their time of need. Give today to support survivors in the United States and around the world, wherever and whenever a disaster may strike.

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**Lutheran Disaster Response, P.O. Box 1809,
Merrifield, VA 22116-8009.**

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The Lititz Warwick Community Chest, a food bank serving Lititz and Warwick Twp. housed in the church lower level, is in need of the following in July: rice, 1 lb. bags and instant rice mix; tea and coffee; juice boxes for children; beans-chili, navy, black; brownie, cake and cookie mixes; toilet paper. Donations are greatly appreciated. The requests are rising and donations are slowing due to vacations. Donations may be placed in the wooden chest in the narthex. No expired items, please. St. Paul Mission and Outreach Committee

The Christian Service Box will be collecting funds for Power Packs during the 3rd quarter of 2025. Power Packs Project is the largest school pantry/backpack program in Central PA and the largest hunger relief program in Lancaster County. With cuts being made by the Federal Government for food programs there is more need for support from other sources. Power Packs provides recipes, healthy ingredients, and nutritional education to more than 1,000 families struggling with hunger every weekend when the school breakfast and lunch programs are not available to them. Donations may be placed in the Christian Service Box, located in the narthex, the offering plate or mailed to the church office.

Prayer Shawls: The St. Paul knitting group creates prayer shawls available to the congregation to give as gifts or kept for personal use. These knitted shawls can be given for prayer, comfort, or to celebrate a joyous occasion! The shawls are available in the narthex and the office.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY



SUMMER 7
FOR KIDS + 2025

1) SPF - St. Paul Fun
all ages - kickball, legos, painting, playground
Sundays 11a-12p + June 8-Aug 31

2) Church Camp
all ages - Kirchenwald and Nawakwa
www.lutherancamping.org

3) Science Squad - Creek Walk
Explore Creation with our St. Paul Science Teacher
June 23 (gr. k&1), June 24 (gr. 2&3), June 25 (gr. 4&5)

4) Playground at St. Paul
families with babies - age 5
Thursdays June 12, 19, 26 6:30-7:30p

5) By Heart Challenge
all ages - summer bible memory work
Party on July 13, 5:30p

6) Bulletin Artwork
all ages - submit a digital image of your faith art
to Ms. Becky

7) Flat Jesus
Take a paper and take Jesus with you this summer
tags: #flatjesus #stpaulititz

KEEP CONNECTED!
www.stpaulititz.net/summer-for-kids


CAMP MINISTRY

It's not too late to register for Camp: Summer Camp registration is open at both Kirchenwald and Nawakwa. St. Paul registrants can take the Camp Person discount and St. Paul will pay half (up to \$250) for one week of camp this summer. See Deacon Emily for details.

Support a Camper this Summer: You can donate to the St. Paul Campership Fund. These funds allow St. Paul to subsidize the cost of camp for each child/youth or family who attends over the summer. Thank you for any gift toward this helpful cause. Good ministry and fruitful fellowship are abundant through outdoor ministries; we want all to experience that! Check - write "campership" in the memo or Online - choose "campership" from the dropdown menu.

Camp news and events can be found at: www.lutherancampingA.org/upcoming-events

MUSIC MINISTRY

Sunday, August 31, 2025 at both services. Jane and Peter Brye will be offering their musical gifts of harp and cello on Labor Day weekend.

Sunday, September 21, 2025 at 4 pm. The Lancaster Chapter of the American Guild of Organists (AGO) will be offering their annual community Hymnsing at St. Paul in the sanctuary.