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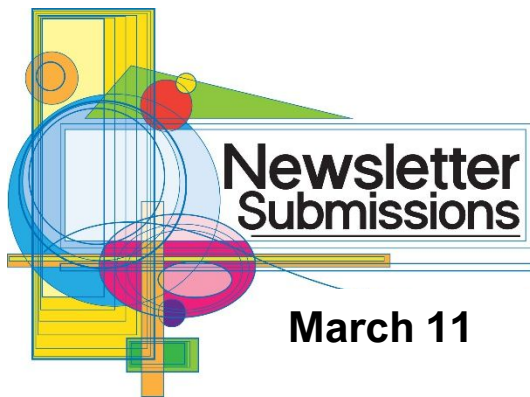
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🐰 Easter Egg Hunt 🐰

Join us for our Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 28th at 10:00 AM! All children 12 and under are welcome—bring your baskets and come ready for fun!

We are currently accepting candy donations (individually wrapped, please), and we need volunteers and egg fillers to help make this event a success. If you're able to help or donate, please contact Teresa Zeigler. Thank you for helping us make this a joyful celebration!



Wow!! Thank you to everyone who brought items for the 12 Love Boxes that we packed on Monday. Thank you to everyone who paid for the postage also. I want to thank Deb Jacobs, Judy Hilliard, Lori Bradley, Evelyn Rider, Marge Rost, Sonia Nace, Cindy Hilbert, Kim Perone and Keith Zeigler for helping to pack the boxes. We had tight quarters but we were done in less than one hour. Great workers!! Thank you to Karen for making our labels. Thank you all for helping the United Women in Faith with this important project.

*Happy Valentine's Day!
Carolyn Zeigler*

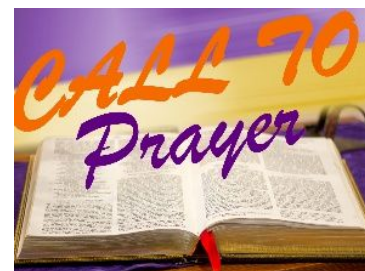


WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS!

We warmly welcome our four newest members to St. Paul! Lyndsay Myers, Timothy Howell, Rebekah Howell and Meredith Howell.

Tim Howell works in the music department at Northeastern and he and his family are transferring from St. Paul's Church of Red Lion. Their son, Peter will be confirmed during the next confirmation class.

Lyndsay Myers and her family have been attending for some time now, as close friends of the Adam Zeigler family. Her daughter Charlotte has already become a member and two of her other children have been baptized and are now on our Preparatory roll.



UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH

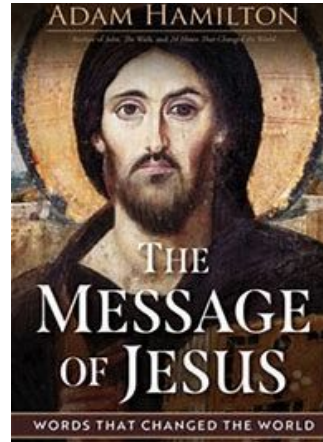
United Women in Faith will meet Monday, March 9 at 6:30 PM. It is a CALL to PRAYER program with the topic: The Future is NOW! All ladies of the church are encouraged to attend.



WORSHIP

Renewed in Mercy: A Journey Toward New Life

- **March 1 – Lent 2 (Communion)**
Guided by the Promise
Romans 4:1–5, 13–17 | Focus: John 3:1–17
- **March 8 – Lent 3**
Companion for the Journey
Psalm 95 | Focus: Romans 5:1–11
- **March 15 – Lent 4**
Journeying in Grace
Psalm 23 | Focus: Ephesians 5:8–14
- **March 22 – Lent 5**
Redemption Road
Ezekiel 37:1–14; Romans 8:6–11 | Focus: John 11:1–45
- **March 29 – Lent 6 (Palm Sunday)**
Marching Orders
Matthew 21:1–11; Psalm 118:1–2, 19–29 | Focus: Matthew 26:14–27:66
 - **April 2 – Holy Thursday**
Eat and Run
Exodus 12:1–4; 1 Corinthians 11:23–26 | Focus: John 13:1–17, 31–35
 - **April 3 – Good Friday**
Isaiah 52:13–53:12; Psalm 22 | Focus: John 18:1–19:42
- **April 5 – Easter Sunday (Communion)**
6:30 AM – Sunrise Service 9:30 AM Easter Svc.
A New Start
Acts 10:34–43; Psalm 118:1–2, 14–24; Colossians 3:1–4 | Focus: Matthew 28:1–10



The Message of Jesus by Adam Hamilton (6 sessions)

PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY
Wednesdays @ 7 PM in the overflow Room
(February 25-April 1)

Purchase your copy of Adam Hamilton's *The Message of Jesus: Words that Changed the World* (if you need assistance with this contact the church office). Read chapter one for our first discussion on 2/25. Contact Pastor Tammy at tblose@susumc.org and let her know you plan to attend.



DEATH OF DOROTHY "DOT" FISHER

Dorothy "Dot" Fisher took the hand of her Savior on February 14. She was a member here since 1979. Her service took place at the John Keffer Funeral Home on Saturday, February 28. Her loved ones are in our thoughts and prayers.

DEATH OF LILLIAN ANSPACH

Lillian Anspach went home to the Lord on Tuesday, February 17. She had been a member here since 2019. Her daughter Eileen Close and her husband Duane are still members here but are attending elsewhere. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Close family.

ADDRESS CHANGE

Theda Decker was at Misericordia but has now been moved to Country Meadows at Leader's Heights, in case anyone wants to visit her. To send cards, she prefers that they be sent to her home address and her son Bob will bring the mail to her. Her address is 2687 Fairway Drive, York, PA 17402.

Northeastern Food Pantry
 4832 N. Sherman St. Ext.
 Mt. Wolf, Pennsylvania 17347
 717-266-6785

FEBRUARY 2026 e-Newsletter

Pantry Hours:

Mondays: 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays: 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.
 Wednesdays: 1:30 to 4:00 p.m.,
 Thursdays: 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Fridays: 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

The Pantry Hours are based on volunteer availability. Please call to make sure we are open. We always need volunteers. Please consider volunteering at the Food Pantry. Please contact Belle Craul at 717-870-4128 OR email belle18@verizon.net for more information.

*****WINTER WEATHER POLICY FOR NEFP*****

If the weather forecast is for inclement weather, and a volunteer does not feel comfortable traveling to the Pantry on their scheduled day, contact Dennis Crawl at 717-870-0359, AT LEAST 2 hours prior to the scheduled shift time. Dennis will try to reschedule or service the neighbor. (per email dated 01-06-2025)

*****DONATION ITEMS NEEDED UPDATED*****

The following items are needed: Jello & Pudding (Reg and sugar free), Hamburger Helper, Toilet Paper, Ramen Noodles and Paper Towels. Items can be placed in the donation box located near the entrance of the Food Pantry behind Starview UCC. Please call ahead if you want to drop off the items during Pantry Hours.

*****December 2025 food distribution statistics*****

We were open 19 days in December. We provided supplemental groceries and personal care items to 346 people in 121 households. We assisted 170 adults, 82 seniors and 94 youth. New households = 17; 16 youth, 31 adults, and 9 seniors. FYI: Youth is age 0-17; Adult is age 18-59; Senior is age 60+. Great Job, Volunteers!!!!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR GIANT FOOD PICK-UP

Male volunteers (preferred due to weight of food items) needed to do food pick-up at Giant on FRIDAY mornings; every other month. Please call the FOOD PANTRY at 717-266-6785 if interested or need more information. Leave a message and your call will be returned. Thank you.

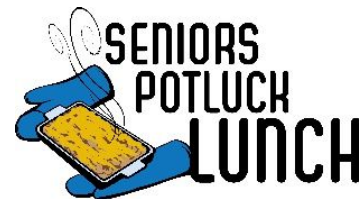
*****The Mission of NEFP*****

The Mission of Northeastern Food Pantry is to provide supplemental groceries to those in need in York County. This means the groceries we provide are to help supplement what our clients are able to purchase.

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Upcoming SPY EVENTS

March 1 - 6:00-8:00 PM:
 Games and Snacks with Josh
 March 28 - 10:00 AM-12:00 PM:
 Helping with egg Hunt
 March 29 – 6:00-8:00 PM: TBD
 April 11 - 10:00 AM-1:00 PM –
 Helping with Alyssa Loych’s Clothing Drive



March 2026 OFFTimers Meeting

The OFFTimers group’s next meeting will be on **March 5, 2026**, at 12:00 pm. We invite everyone to join us for our gatherings, where you can enjoy a time of fellowship, fun, and food. We will be having a covered dish meal, and the paper products will be provided. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Also, we will be planning 2026’s activities and collecting items for Life Path Ministries of York. There will be a collection tub in the narthex. The list of items is below. For any questions, please call Carol Witmer at 717-384-6261.

Desperately Need:

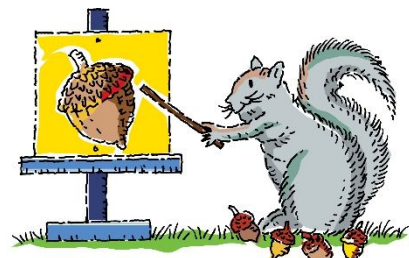
Paper Towels
 55 - Gallon Trash Bags
 Bottled Water
 Toilet Paper
 Deodorant (Men’s & Women’s)

Cleaning Products / Other

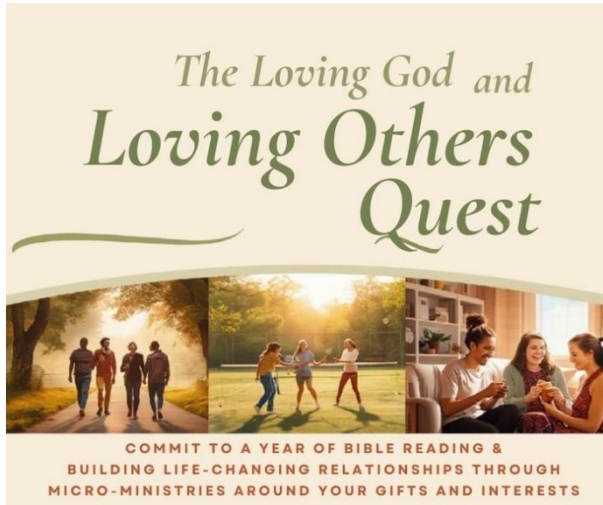
All Purpose Cleaner
 Hand Soap
 Bathroom Cleaner
 Hair Brushes
 13 or 30 Gal. Trash Bags
 Baby Bottles
 Baby Shampoo

Food Service Items:

Brown Sugar	Onion Powder	Copier Paper
Salad Dressing	Sugar	Baby Lotion / Baby Wash
Vegetable Oil	Oregano	Forever Stamps
Pancake Mix	Garlic Powder	Post-It Notes (3x3)
Pancake Syrup	Parsley Flakes	Sippy Cups with One-Way Valve
Salt and Pepper	Taco Seasoning	
Hot Sauce	Pasta Sauce	
Garlic Salt	Seasoned Salt	
Instant Mashed Potatoes		



ANNUAL PLANNING



Loving God and Loving Others Quest

Get Ready to Embark on a Transformative Journey! *Beginning April 19*

The time has come to prepare for the inspiring "Loving God and Loving Others Quest." This is more than just an event; it's an opportunity to deepen your connection with God and make a meaningful impact in the lives of those around you.

Pastor's Bible Study (Loving God Quest)

Bring your questions about last week's readings
Wednesday evenings - In Person - begins 4/22 at 7PM in the Overflow Room

Monday evenings - On ZOOM - begins 4/27 at 7PM

Topic: Pastor Tammy's weekly Bible Reading Review

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88198776039?pwd=IUUpArJ0Grijp2hPTBsM9gptFqf6u15.1>

Meeting ID: 881 9877 6039

Passcode: 301596

LIVE each day at noon – Monday – Friday on our St. Paul UMC Facebook page
 Pastor Tammy or another St. Paul leader reading the day's reading aloud.

April and May Loving God Reading Check List

4/20 Week 1 – Creation & the Patriarchs Begin

- Day 1: Genesis 1–3, Psalm 1, Proverbs 1
- Day 2: Genesis 4–7, Psalm 2
- Day 3: Genesis 8–11, Psalm 3
- Day 4: Genesis 12–15, Psalm 4
- Day 5: Genesis 16–18, Psalm 5

4/27 Week 2 – God's Covenant Family

- Day 1: Genesis 19–22, Psalm 6, Proverbs 2
- Day 2: Genesis 23–26, Psalm 7
- Day 3: Genesis 27–30, Psalm 8
- Day 4: Genesis 31–34, Psalm 9
- Day 5: Genesis 35–38, Psalm 10

5/4 Week 3 – Joseph & the Journey to Egypt

- Day 1: Genesis 39–42, Psalm 11, Proverbs 3
- Day 2: Genesis 43–46, Psalm 12
- Day 3: Genesis 47–50, Psalm 13
- Day 4: Exodus 1–4, Psalm 14
- Day 5: Exodus 5–8, Psalm 15

5/11 Week 4 – Deliverance & Covenant

- Day 1: Exodus 9–12, Psalm 16, Proverbs 4
- Day 2: Exodus 13–16, Psalm 17
- Day 3: Exodus 17–20, Psalm 18
- Day 4: Exodus 21–24, Psalm 19
- Day 5: Exodus 25–28, Psalm 20

5/18 Week 5 – God Dwells with Israel

- Day 1: Exodus 29–32, Psalm 21, Proverbs 5
- Day 2: Exodus 33–36, Psalm 22
- Day 3: Exodus 37–40, Psalm 23
- Day 4: Leviticus 1–4, Psalm 24
- Day 5: Leviticus 5–7, Psalm 25



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THE REMINDER

From the Pastor's Desk

Rev. Tammy Blose

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**St. Paul U.M. Church
 Mission Statement:**
 To share Christ's love with everyone.

Our Vision:
 To walk together with others on our journey with Christ.

Our Goals:
 To love all, share with all, serve all and care for all.

St. Paul UMC family,
 As we step into the month of March, we find ourselves walking together through the sacred season of Lent. These forty days invite us to slow down, to breathe deeply, and to pay closer attention to the quiet movements of God in our lives.

I encourage each of you to be intentional about your prayer life during this season. Whether you are rising a few minutes earlier for Scripture and silence, praying the Lord's Prayer more thoughtfully each day, or keeping a journal of gratitude and confession, let this be a time of deepening conversation with the One who loves you most.

Whatever Lenten discipline you have chosen (fasting, giving, studying, serving) tend to it faithfully as an offering to God. Your Lenten discipline can serve as a pathway to deeper connection with Christ. These practices shape our hearts, soften our spirits, and make room for God's transforming grace.

And friends, as we also take our physical safety during winter weather seriously, let us not neglect the gift of gathering when we are able to do so. Physical presence in worship does matter. When we sing, pray, confess, and listen together, the Spirit weaves us more closely into the body of Christ. Your presence is an encouragement to others, and together we experience the strength and beauty of shared faith.

Let's be preparing our hearts for the reality and glories of Easter, and the Quest of Loving God and Loving Others that lies beyond.

May this month be marked by holy attentiveness, renewed devotion, and joyful expectation.

With gratitude for each of you,

Pastor Tammy



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