

**PRAYER LIST**

Stephanie Turner  
 Jose Lugo  
 Denise Altizer  
 Treva Toothman  
 Buck Woodyard  
 Lois Basham  
 Phyllis Clarkson  
 Trina Layne (Carol Slaughter's cousin)

Rick Rose & Family  
 Dan Toti  
 Cindy Shrader  
 Janet Shelburne  
 Woody & Cathy Nester  
 Shirley Hodge  
 Janet Schleicher

*On Tuesday mornings we pray for the needs and cares of our Church Family, our Community, and the Larger World around us! We thank you for your support and encouragement for our Prayer Group.*

**This Week: Bible Reading** – refer to Bible Reading Plan 2018

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Psalm 31 Exodus 39-40	Psalm 32 Leviticus 1-4	Psalm 33 Leviticus 5-8	Psalm 34 Leviticus 9-12	Psalm 35 Leviticus 13-16	Psalm 36 Leviticus 17-20

**This Week**

Monday	6:30 pm	Handbells
Tuesday	9:00 am	Prayer Group
	7:00 PM	Joshua Group
Wednesday	10:00 am	Bible Study
	7:15 pm	Choir Practice
Thursday	10:00 am	Circle Ruth

**Introit**

**The Prayer Shawl Ministry** meet every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month at 10:00 am in the Good News Sunday School Room. Come join us.

<b>Pastor</b> Dr. Moonsup "Paul" Song	<b>Church Secretary</b> Carol Gunter	<b>Organist</b> Carolyn Mills
<b>Choir Director</b> Heather Mills-McClougherty	<b>Secretary/IT Support</b> Carol Slaughter	<b>Child Care Coordinator</b> Laurie Tucker
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**February 4, 2018**

**Fifth Sunday After the Epiphany**

**Morning Worship**

**Ten O'Clock**

*There is a nursery provided for your children during the worship services.  
 We offer a baby room during worship service at the Willing Worker's room next to the sanctuary.  
 Worship is wired to the room with nursing chair.  
 Please ask one of the ushers for assistance.*

**\*Please stand for these acts of worship if you are able.**

**THE CHURCH GATHERS**

**Gathering, Praising, and Welcoming with Announcements**

*"Sanctuary" #2164 (The Faith We Sing)  
 "I Love You Lord"*

**THE PRAISE OF GOD**

**\*Call to Worship**

Leader: The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul.  
**Congregation: The decrees of the Lord are sure, making wise the simple.**  
 Leader: The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart;  
**Congregation: the commandment of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eyes.**  
 Leader: The fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever.  
**Congregation: The ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.**  
 Leader: God's word is more desirable than gold.  
**Congregation: God's word is sweeter than finest honey.**  
 Leader: Let the words we say be acceptable to you, Lord.  
**Congregation: Let the deepest whisperings of our heart be acceptable, O Rock, O Redeemer.**  
**All: Amen.**



**Thank you for Serving in Worship**

	Today	Next Sunday
<b>LITURGIST:</b>	Sue Speed	Tabitha Rust
<b>GREETERS:</b>	Joe & Sandy Cox, Joe & Susan Chase	Patsy Sparks, Marjorie Vitale, Bill Streich, Mary Adkins
<b>USHERS:</b>	Joe & Susan Chase, Mary Adkins, Faye Chrisman	Tom & Connie Bell, Harvey Sowers, Wanda Garrison
<b>ACOLYTE:</b>	Isabelle Petry	Noah Petry
<b>COUNTERS:</b>	Peggy Long & Lucy Draper	Peggy Long & Lucy Draper

**FLOWERS ARE PLACED ON THE ALTAR TODAY** to celebrate the **2<sup>nd</sup> Wedding Anniversary** of Tom and Connie Bell on February 6<sup>th</sup>.

“**Discerning the will of God**”, is our envisioning process during 2018. Rev Steve James, church vitality consultant and coach, come to St Paul to preach and to meet with congregation for Q/A session on Roadmap to Renewal. All are invite to his session, meeting at the fellowship hall after worship.

**Congratulations** to Bill Ayres who will celebrate his birthday on February 7<sup>th</sup>; and to Bob Birchfield who will celebrate his birthday on February 10<sup>th</sup>. **Birthdays Blessings to all.**

**We want to thank our St. Paul** family for the care, concern and love during the death of my mother on Christmas morning. Also, three days later had surgery. We so appreciate your cards, visits, meals and prayers. St. Paul is a wonderful church and each member is so caring. Our congregation is a true family. Our love to each of you, Scottie and Bob Dickenson

**All young families with children school age and younger** are invited immediately following church today, Feb 4th, to the fellowship hall for a pizza lunch get together. Following lunch, the plan is to brainstorm ideas for future family and kid friendly church opportunities.

**VALENTINE FELLOWSHIP BRUNCH**



**Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup> following worship.**

*Oh the weather outside may be frightful,  
but fellowship is so delightful!!* 🎵

**So bring your favorite dish (for 6) and join your church family and friends as we share in Celebrating St. Paul's love and “A New Thing”!**

**Lent begins with Ash Wednesday.** We offer Ash Wednesday service on Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.

**A local police officer comes to St Paul on Feb 18 (Sun), 3-4:30 PM,** and speaks about the safety of the house of worship and questions and answers. This is the follow up to Pastor's call for church security meeting we had last year. Please mark your calendar and attend this information building meeting.

**Wesley District Youth Retreat Weekend February 9, 10, & 11, 2018**

It is time again for the Wesley District Youth Retreat Weekend! The Roanoke District Youth partnered with the Virginia Tech Wesley Foundation will be holding their annual retreat on February 9, 10, 11th, 2018 and this years theme is "Anchor Your Heart and Mind to the Character of God". This event is open to youth from 6th Grade through 12th Grade and will cost \$10 per person. We look forward to the retreat every year and this year is no exception! Please see me for more information. We need to try and have everyone registered by January 31st to make sure both I and they are prepared for you!

~Amanda Chrisley You are also welcome to contact me via phone (540) 357-5867 or via email [Amanda@bugmanext.com](mailto:Amanda@bugmanext.com)

**All announcements/inserts** for the bulletin need to be in by Wednesday at noon. Otherwise they will be included in the following week's bulletin. Thank you.

“**A New Thing,**” (Isaiah 43:19) is the vision of St. Paul Church for 2018. Prayer in individual and collective, Bible Reading through a year, and Roadmap to Renewal: discernment process for church vitality, are three congregational objectives for this vision.

**The Joy Singers** will have rehearsal on February 27<sup>th</sup> and March 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am. Any questions call Denise Warren at 382-4825 or 808-5218.

**The Bells of St. Paul** will begin rehearsing on February 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm for a mid-March performance! Rehearsals will be on Mondays. We have lost 2 of our best ringers, so if you can read music at all, please come out for some fun and fellowship. Also, if you even know someone who can read music, pass it on. Questions call 557-8231.

**We are excited to announce that we are going to create a new pictorial directory of our church** family. The directory will help us to connect names with faces. It will be an ideal outreach tool.

You may sign up online at: <https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/v8hd84cm/>  
Or in the narthex before service.

**PLEASE** have your picture made and help make this a complete directory. Remember you do not have to be a member to be included.

-Witness Committee

**Joshua Group,** spiritual leadership formation, meets on Tuesday, February 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the Willing Workers classroom.