

## Weekly News - August 10, 2025

(Ways for you to get connected, and ways you can encourage others to get connected.)

**True North VBS (August 4-8, 2025)** - We had a great time at VBS as we welcomed almost 100 participants and pointed them to their True North, Jesus. Thank you to everyone who contributed supplies and materials and who gave of their time and talents to make True North VBS a huge success! And special thanks to our director, Sarah Casuscelli for sharing her leadership gifts with us in guiding and directing our volunteers throughout the week.

**NextGen Ministry Leader Update (August 12)** - We will be conducting an onsite interview with our NextGen Ministry Leader candidate, Nick Butcher, the week of August 10th. The congregation is invited to join us for a "Meet and Greet" on August 12 at 7 PM where you will have an opportunity to meet Nick, his wife Caitlynn and their son as well as talk to Nick about his ministry experience and perspective. We look forward to seeing you there!

**Lunch Bunch (August 14)** - Our next lunch bunch is at Gabby's in Frenchtown on route 12. Sign up at the connection center or by RSVP to Jane Blades. **RSVP by August 12, 2025.** Jane Blades 732-371-7864 or imblades1@comcast.net.

**St Paul 70th Birthday Celebration (September 21)** – In anticipation of the celebration of our 70th birthday here at St Paul, we are asking all of our members to dust off those old photos, wipe away those ole' cobwebs and please share your memories with our Elders!! If you would like to serve on one of the many teams needed to make this event a reality, please sign up at the Connection Table in the Lobby. Please contact: Lynn Selquist 908-625-0300, Dave Hafner 908-528-4964 or Susan Cicala 908-319-1051 for more information.

**Partners in Care** – In an effort to meet the care needs of our church family, St. Paul has established a new ministry called Partners in Care. It is a group of caring individuals who have volunteered to reach out to those who would welcome a friendly visit or appreciate a phone call. Along with Pastor Bob, it is our hope that we can build a strong care community within our church. If you or someone you know would like a call or visit, please contact Lynn Selquist 908-635-0300 or Lori Klimchak 908-581-4734.

**St. Paul Christian Preschool -** is looking to expand their staff. We have 2 open positions for the upcoming 2025/2026 school year. We are a half-day program that starts in September and finishes in May. If you love fostering young minds and creating engaging learning experiences, we would love to hear from you. If you are interested or know someone who is, please contact Robin Coffman at 908-782-3979 or email us at Robin@stpaulni.com.

**Share a Ride** – We are looking for individuals who would be willing to be an occasional driver for St. Paul church members who need help getting to medical appointments. We have had several requests for help and have been unable to provide it. If you are available and would like to serve the Lord in this way, please let us know. Thank you in advance for your help. Please contact Lynn Selquist 908-625-0300 or Lori Klimchak 908-581-4734.

**Prayer Request** – Prayer is a conversation with God; therefore, it is an important part of a Christian's walk of "connecting life and faith." Please submit your prayer request by clicking on the "Prayer Requests" button on our website homepage at <a href="www.stpaulni.com">www.stpaulni.com</a>. It is an honor and privilege to join you in your prayer life.

**Give** – Giving is an important part of "connecting life and faith" as a Christian. As God leads you to give to his ministry through St Paul, you can do so in the following ways: 1) Online at <a href="www.stpaulnj.com">www.stpaulnj.com</a> - click on the GIVE button; 2) In person - offering plates are located at the back of the worship center; and 3) By mail - 201 State Route 31, Flemington, NJ 08822. Thank You for supporting the ongoing work of sharing the gospel at St Paul Lutheran Church!

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## This Sunday's Prayer list:

**Prayers of Concern:** Shelly Antonacci (Tracy Fly's sister - for healing of brain tumor); Barry Blades (Brian Blades' brother - for successful brain surgery this week); Liz Capano (Friend of Corey and Diane Lebo - Treatment for pancreatic cancer); Nancy Whitacre (Kirsten Goodwin's mother - Peace and comfort for Nancy & family as Nancy is placed in Hospice care)

**Praise and Thanksgiving:** Praise God for the birth of Enzo Delgado-Gambini, grandson of Dave and Kim Hafner! **Grieving:** Family and Friends of Jimmy Cousins (Uncle of Liz Merriken); Family and Friends of Ruth Henshaw (Friend of Elaine Van Duyne); Family and Friends of Tom Krol (Brother-in-law of Linda Devaney)

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." (Matthew 11:28)

Have a prayer request? Go to <a href="https://www.stpaulnj.com/pray/">https://www.stpaulnj.com/pray/</a> to let us know how we can pray with you and for you.

**Birthday List:** 08/10: Amanda Eliades, Elowyn Odendahl, Rick Schlack, Sahana Dova; 08/11: Dave Hafner, Wayne Steigerwalt; 08/13: Jessica von Spreckelsen, Mischelle Joaney Paglino-Hyatt; 08/14: Callie Aversano, Margaret Puelle; 08/15: Bill Mann, Kenneth Cordasco, Kirstyn McKee

**Anniversary List**: None this week

"Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights" (James 1:17)

**Flowers on the altar**: Flowers decorating our chancel this 9th Sunday after Pentecost are given to the glory of God in loving memory of father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, Bob Metzner by Bob & Kris Johmann.