



# THE LAMPLIGHTER

A Newsletter For The Members of

*St. Paul's United Methodist Church and Gaither United Methodist Church*

[www.StPaulsSykesville.org](http://www.StPaulsSykesville.org)

May 2015

## PENTECOST

A small dog had been struck by a car and was lying wounded by the side of the road. A veterinarian driving by noticed that the dog was still alive, stopped her car, picked up the dog and took him home. There she discovered that the dog had been stunned, had suffered a few minor cuts and abrasions, but was otherwise all right. She revived the dog, cleaned up the wounds, and was carrying the animal from the house to the garage when it suddenly jumped from her arms and scampered off.

“What an ungrateful little dog,” the vet said to herself. She thought no more about the incident until the next evening, when she heard scratching at her door. When she opened it, there was the little dog she had treated, with another hurt dog.

That is the story of the “ripple effect.” Throw a stone into a lake and the water ripples out, and the circle widens. One of the great characteristics of the first Christians was their ripple effect. Something had happened to them that so filled them with joy they could not contain it. It was contagious. It spread out among the people in a ripple effect. And the circle grew wider and wider.

The reason these early Christians were so filled with joy was that this Jesus who had lived among them, this Jesus who had given them such hope, this Jesus whom they had seen die on a hill outside Jerusalem, this Jesus who they had seen put into a tomb - - - THIS JESUS WAS ALIVE! - - - It wasn't a hallucination. It wasn't something they dreamed up. It was an event that happened in their lives. This Jesus had risen, and had come back to them.

In this season of Pentecost, may we be filled with that same joy that - - - JESUS IS RISEN  
- - - and - - - HE IS ALIVE FOR US!!

Peace,

*Terri Rae*

### SERMON SERIES

Pastor Doug and Pastor Terri Rae continue their sermon series on the beatitudes. The series is:

- Blessed Are the Poor in Spirit
- Blessed Are the Meek
- Blessed Are the Merciful
- Blessed Are the Peacemakers
- Blessed Are Those Who Mourn
- Blessed Are Those Who Hunger and Thirst for Righteousness
- Blessed Are the Pure in Heart
- Blessed Are Those Who Are Persecuted for Righteousness Sake

**St. Paul's Birthdays**

- 5/4 Michael Parrish
- 5/7 Claire Swan
- 5/14 Adele Freaner
- 5/14 Justin Betz
- 5/15 Erika Brandenburg
- 5/16 Dennis Beard
- 5/16 Paul Komiske
- 5/19 Nicholas Prentiss Rowe
- 5/19 Matt Pluta
- 5/19 Maggie Guyer
- 5/25 Carol Ann Rains
- 5/25 Dick Estes
- 5/31 Ryan Stauffer



**St. Paul's Anniversaries**

- 5/10 Dick & Lou Ann Estes
- 5/18 Bud & Debbie Herndon
- 5/22 Thiha & Elizabeth Htwar

**Gaither's Birthdays**

- 5/2 Melissa Keefer
- 5/4 Dale Keefer
- 5/7 Pauline Rosier
- 5/10 Lee Stirn
- 5/11 Kay Donnelly
- 5/13 Joshua Pickett
- 5/15 Mandi Evans
- 5/16 Duane Doxzen
- 5/17 Bettye Stirn
- 5/23 Kylie Davis
- 5/25 Nikki Baker
- 5/28 Robert Rosier
- 5/31 Tom Arnold

**Gaither's Anniversaries**

- 5/14 Theresa & Chuck Davis, III
- 5/20 Don & Pat Newcomer
- 5/26 Charles & Pauline Rosier



**Church Announcements**

**BULLETIN DEADLINE**

Please note that all announcements for the Gaither and St. Paul's bulletins must be received by the church office **no later than 12noon on Tuesday of that week** in order to be placed in the bulletin on Sunday. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

**CHURCH LIBRARY**

All books, CD's, etc. donated to the church library must be approved by Debbie Scheller ([scheller5@verizon.net](mailto:scheller5@verizon.net)) prior to being displayed. Any donations left in the church foyer or bench outside the church office will be discarded. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



<b>Church Office:</b>		<a href="http://www.stpaulssykesville.org">http://www.stpaulssykesville.org</a>
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<b>MAILING LIST:</b> If you have an address change or correction, would like to be added to either our electronic or paper distribution list, would like your birthday or anniversary published in <i>The Lamplighter</i> , please contact the church office at 410-795-0714 with the updated information and dates.		
<b>Please specify if it is for St. Paul's or Gaither.</b>		



## YOUTH GROUP

Hey Youth!

Well, I can't believe it, but we are tying up another year!! We will be celebrating Mother's Day with a special service we will run and working to prepare for our upcoming Mission Trip to Oceanview, DE!! God has truly blessed us with so very much! He is always there with us and knows we will do our very best to carry His Love and service to others during our trip to Delaware and throughout the summer! Yep, I said it, SUMMER!!! YAY.....it's coming faster than you know!! Hang in there....study hard....you're going to get a well-deserved break soon!

Love you guys! Stay happy, faith-filled and healthy!

Here is what we have so far:

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

MAY 3 - Lunch and Mission Trip Quilting with the UMW 12:00PM to 3:00PM

Practice for Mother's Day Service 3:00PM to 4:00PM

No Evening Meetings

MAY 10 - UMYF run Mother's Day Service @ Gaither UMC 9:30AM & St. Paul's UMC 11:00AM

No Regular Meetings

MAY 17 - Regular Meetings

MAY 24 - Regular Meetings

MAY 31 - Final End of Year Party Place and Time TBA

June 21-27- Mission Trip to Oceanview, DE

In His Love,

Miss Kim

301-233-3203



**SUNDAY  
SCHOOL**

### Last Day

The last day of Sunday School will be May 31<sup>st</sup>. There will be no Sunday School on May 24<sup>th</sup>. Please enjoy the Memorial Day weekend with your families!

### Thank You!

A heartfelt thank you to Rachel Fetterman for her many years of service to St. Paul's Christian Education Program. Thank you for lighting the way!

### Joyful Noise

This summer St. Paul's will offer a "Joyful Noise" Sunday School program for current Twos, Pre-School and Kindergarten children. "Joyful Noise" will begin on June 7<sup>th</sup> and end on August 30<sup>th</sup>.

### Sunday School Resumes

Our 2015-2016 Sunday School program will resume on September 13<sup>th</sup>!



**UNITED  
METHODIST  
WOMEN**

**No-Sew Blanket Kits**

UMW is still requesting the no-sew blanket kits, which will be going with the youth group on their mission's trip to give to the families they will serve. The requested size is a 48 x 60, 2 piece kit. The UMYF will be joining the UMW on May 3<sup>rd</sup> to assemble the blankets. All are welcome to join us!

**Spring Yard/Plant/Bake Sale**

UMW is also gearing up for the annual Spring Yard/Plant/Bake Sale, May 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. We are accepting donations of gently used items for resale. Please keep us in mind when doing your spring cleaning! Items can be dropped off at the church on Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>. No clothing or shoes, please.

**UMW Book Club**

Our book for May/June is The Well Women by Ladine Householder. It can be purchased at: <http://www.umwmissionresources.org/products/the-well-women> or at: Amazon.com (kindle version available).



**Movie  
Night**

**SUNDAY, JUNE 7<sup>TH</sup>, 6:00PM "COURAGEOUS"**

A free movie for the entire family will be held in St. Paul's Sanctuary. A powerful film about the gritty challenges faced by four police officers as they try to be the best cops and fathers they can be. Their faith is tested daily in the face of all the good, the bad, and the danger they face. Come and join some fun with your church family!

**St. PAUL'S VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2015**

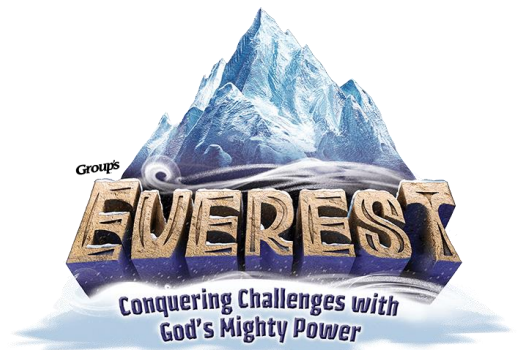
Theme: Everest: Conquering Challenges with God's Mighty Power

Dates: July 13<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>

Time: 9:00AM to 12Noon

Ages: 3 to 5<sup>th</sup> grade

Register online at: [www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/stpaulsvbs2015](http://www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/stpaulsvbs2015)



**St. PAUL'S NEW MEMBERS**

Welcome our new member Missy Ludlum, who was baptized and affirmed her faith on March 29<sup>th</sup>.

Also, welcome our new class of confirmands who affirmed their faith on April 12<sup>th</sup>:

Ashley Beheler  
Elise Greenwald  
Lauren Mellstrom  
Matthew Williams  
Lindsay Young

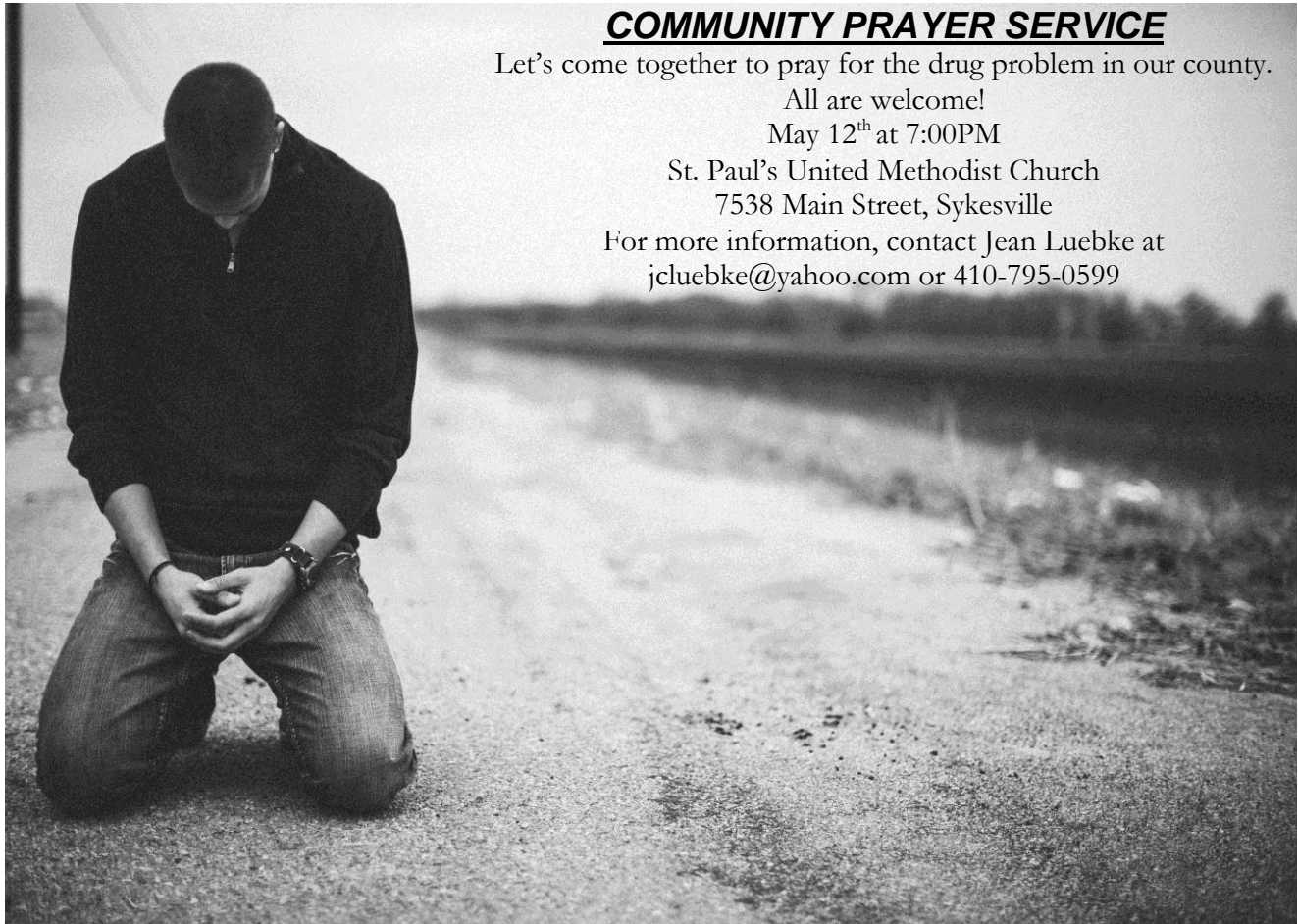
Matthew Coates  
Matthew Guyer  
Matthew Mellstrom  
Ellie Winson

		<b>GREETERS</b>	<b>LITURGIST</b>	<b>ACOLYTE</b>
	5/3	Jeff & Val Swan	Lois Roberts	Emma Mathews
	5/10	Ken & Jackie Talley	Jay McNeil	Allison Creutzer
	5/17	John, Pam, & Sarah Riley	Todd Johnson	Jack Perdue
	5/24	Joe, Kim, Tom, & Bill Pyles	Cindy Shea	Maya Tzan
	5/31	Dave & Micky Lewis	<b>Laity Sunday –</b> Kim Pyles, Buzz Baker, Sam Moore, Sr., & Eric Scheller	Ryan Stauffer
<b>Gaither</b>	5/3	Amy Hoffman	Patty Doxzen	Veda Doxzen
	5/10	Bill Rosier	Bettye Stirn	Kesi Mertz
	5/17	Robert & Megan Rosier	Jessica Boyd	Chad Doxzen
	5/24	Amanda Boyd Miller	Janet Boyd	RJ Evans
	5/31	Wayne & Susan Arrington	Spencer Teal	Veda Doxzen

### **St. PAUL'S MISSION UPDATE**

The May Mission's focus we will be supporting the Quality of Life Retreats that our own Pastor Terri Rae helped start. This organization is a ministry of the Baltimore-Washington Conference of the UMC that provides education and support for people living with HIV/AIDS. Please show your support of this ministry during the month of May. Thank you!

Also, anyone interested in joining the Missions Committee can contact Shay Ranke at 410-596-3561. Thanks again for your support of the mission work of St. Paul's!



**COMMUNITY PRAYER SERVICE**

Let's come together to pray for the drug problem in our county.  
All are welcome!  
May 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM  
St. Paul's United Methodist Church  
7538 Main Street, Sykesville  
For more information, contact Jean Luebke at  
jcluebke@yahoo.com or 410-795-0599

## **Upcoming Meetings & Events**

- Sunday, 3 May – **Mission Trip Quilting/Lunch (United Methodist Women & UMYF)** – 12:15PM in St. Paul's Social Hall
- Monday, 4 May – **Worship Committee Meeting** – 6:00PM in Pastor Terri Rae's Office  
– **Prayer Circle** – 7:00PM in St. Paul's Cry Room.
- Friday, 8 May – **United Methodist Women's Spring Yard Bake Sale Set-up** – St. Paul's Social Hall
- Saturday, 9 May – **United Methodist Women's Spring Yard Bake Sale** – St. Paul's Social Hall
- Sunday, 10 May – **UMYF Mother's Day Service**
- Monday, 11 May – **Prayer Circle** – 7:00PM in St. Paul's Cry Room
- Tuesday, 12 May – **Community Drug Prayer Service** – 7:00PM in St. Paul's Sanctuary
- Wednesday, 13 May – **June Newsletter Deadline** – This will be the last newsletter until September.
- Thursday, 14 May – **Joint SPRC Meeting** – in St. Paul's Education Building Rooms 202 & 204
- Sunday, 17 May – **Graduation Sunday**  
– **United Methodist Women's Meeting** – 12:15PM in St. Paul's Social Hall, presentation by Pastor Doug  
– **E.S.C.A.P.E. Ecumenical Hymn Sing** – 7:00PM at St. Stephen's Reformed Episcopal Church (Liberty Road)
- Monday, 18 May – **Last Day of Prayer Circle Until September** – 7:00PM in St. Paul's Cry Room
- Monday, 25 May – **Memorial Day** – Church Office Closed
- Wednesday, 27 May to Saturday, 30 May – **Annual Conference** – Pastors Terri Rae & Doug will be attending
- Saturday, 6 June – **Strawbridge Boys' Luncheon** – St. Paul's Luncheon
- Sunday, 7 June – **"Courageous" Movie** – 6:00PM in St. Paul's Sanctuary
- Monday, 8 June – **Prayer Shawl Ministry** – 2:00PM to 4:00PM in St. Paul's Education Building Rooms 202 & 204
- Tuesday, 9 June – **St. Paul's Administrative Council Meeting** – 7:00PM in St. Paul's Education Building Rooms 202 & 204
- Wednesday, 10 June – **St. Paul's Trustee Meeting** – 6:30PM in St. Paul's Education Building Rooms 202 & 204
- Sunday, 21 June – **Missions Trip Breakfast & Departure to Oceanview, DE**
- Sunday, 28 June – **Last Day of UMYF**

*A.A. Meets Every Monday and Friday at 8:00PM in St. Paul's Social Hall.*

**Nursery  
Volunteers  
Needed**



### **St. PAUL'S NURSERY NEEDS VOLUNTEERS**

We are in need of volunteers in St. Paul's Nursery. Providing a warm, nurturing environment for our babies and toddlers helps develop trust and mutual respect. As children learn that church is a trustworthy place, and adults there can be trusted, this becomes the basis for trusting God. If you

are interested in helping with our little ones, please contact Carol Bleam at [carolbleam@gmail.com](mailto:carolbleam@gmail.com) or at 443-845-2491.

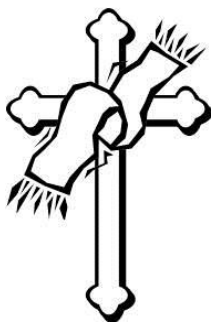
## INCOME & EXPENSE REPORT

January 1, 2015 – Dec 31, 2015

2015 Budget Amount - \$463,745.50

<u>Income:</u>	Annual Budget	Actual 1/1 – 3/31	<u>Other Income:</u>	
Envelopes & Loose Plate	\$ 424,235	\$ 96,071	Capital Fund	\$ 432
Sunday School Offerings	\$ 2,000	\$ 312	Memorials	\$
Gaither UMC	\$ 36,811	\$ 9,203	United Methodist Men	\$
AA Social Hall	\$ 700	\$ 150	UMYF – Fundraisers/deposits	\$ 5,085
			Pastor's Discretion	\$
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 463,746</b>	<b>\$ 105,736</b>	Lent	\$ 2,103
			Scholarship Fund	\$ 495
			Missions	\$ 3,738
			Sunday School – Missions	\$ 99
<b>Expenses:</b>				
Salaries & Conference Obligations	\$ 296,126	\$ 75,934		
Apportionments	\$ 45,870	\$ 11,468		
Program Expenses	\$ 50,450	\$ 9,571		
Church Maintenance and Utilities	\$ 55,000	\$ 15,752		
Parsonage Maintenance and Utilities	\$ 8,800	\$ 2,634		
Insurance	\$ 7,500	\$ 0		
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 463,746</b>	<b>\$ 115,359</b>		
Expenses over Income		(\$ 9,623)		
			Balances:	
			Carroll Community – Checking	\$ 53,138
<b>Items paid from Savings</b>			Carroll Community- Savings	\$ 8,399
			UM Foundation	\$ 82,610
<b>Capital expenditures</b>		\$0		

Checking balance includes items still to be paid – i.e. payroll liabilities, mission balances and other temporarily restricted funds. Due to the faithfulness of our congregation we have been able to decrease our deficit. We will need your continued support as the year progresses.



### **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

“Made in prayer, as prayer, for prayer, the shawls are passed on Hand-to-Hand & Heart-to-Heart” Since 1998, Shawl Ministry has spread around the world, with groups “gathering to pray and knit for those in need and those celebrating life’s joys. We are hoping to create a Prayer Shawl Ministry at St. Paul’s for our Sykesville Parish. If interested please contact Jackie Talley at 410-795-8692 or [jtalley0302@live.com](mailto:jtalley0302@live.com).

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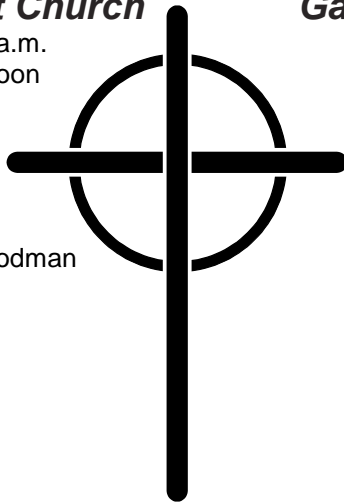
Contemporary Worship Service 9:15 a.m.  
Sunday School 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon  
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

### **Staff:**

Pastor Terri Rae Chattin  
Associate Pastor Douglas D. Tzan  
Administrative Assistant: Colleen Goodman  
Church Organist: David Eide-Altman  
Youth Coordinator: Kim Reed

### **Special Ministries at St. Paul's**

Administrative Board Chairperson:  
Pat Greenwald  
Vice Chairperson: Temple Riehl  
Church Treasurer: Bill Gawel  
Financial Secretary: Donna Larkin  
Director of Christian Education:  
Rachel Fetterman/Charlotte Riesett  
United Methodist Women President: Dawn Wittfelt  
Vice President: Genie Corbin  
United Methodist Men President: Gil Creutzer  
Music/Choir Director: Betty May  
Lay Leader: Kim Pyles



## ***Gaither United Methodist Church***

Worship Service 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School 10:15 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

### **Staff:**

Pastor Terri Rae Chattin  
Associate Pastor Douglas D. Tzan  
Administrative Assistant:  
Colleen Goodman  
Church Organist: Janet Boyd  
Youth Coordinator: Kim Reed

### **Special Ministries at Gaither**

Administrative Board Chairperson:  
Janet Boyd  
Church Treasurer: Denton Boyd  
Financial Secretary: Amy Hoffman  
Lay Leader: Carmella Evans

**Church Office Hours:**  
**Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon**  
**Church - (410) 795-0714**  
**Parsonage - (410) 795-0940**  
**(Church Office Located at St. Paul's)**