

# St. Paul Summer

## 2023



As we enter the summer season, we are reminded of the beauty of God's creation and the blessings that come with this time of year. It is a season of warmth, growth, and renewal. We invite you to stay connected with the St. Paul community, grow in your faith and participate in meaningful activities throughout the summer months.

## Fellowship Coffee Hour



We are excited to announce that we will be hosting a coffee hour and fellowship between our worship services every Sunday. This is a great opportunity for us to come together, catch up with old friends, and make new ones.

The coffee hour will take place in the Narthex (lobby) immediately following the first worship service, and will run until the start of the second service.

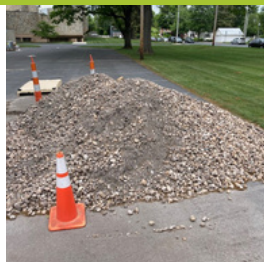
We need volunteers to host the coffee hour. Sign up on [timetosignup.com/stpaulworship](https://timetosignup.com/stpaulworship). Easy-to-follow instructions are provided.

## Building Update

Exciting improvements are well underway to the St. Paul facility. Our brand new white roof has been installed on the education wing, the new LED lighting for the Sanctuary is complete, and our new solar panels are being installed!

While the congregational support for the project has been outstanding, it is not too late to make a first or additional gift to help fully fund these great improvements that will reduce our environmental footprint for years to come! Gifts or Realm Online Giving to the project can be labeled to "Capital Campaign".

### River Rock Available



The roof has been emptied and the prayer labyrinth has been filled... but more river rock remains! Church members interested in having the "extra" river rock in the back parking lot are encouraged to take what they need for their personal use. First come, first served. Please stop by any time with your own equipment and strong backs! Please contact Lyle Hosler, Director of Operations, with any questions ([lhosler@stpaulititz.net](mailto:lhosler@stpaulititz.net), 717-204-5448).

## Worship

Our summer worship schedule begins on Sunday, June 4th.

- 8:15AM in the Sanctuary
- 10:00AM (\*Outdoor begins June 11.)

\*As a result of the pandemic, we started holding worship outside. It has become a permanent part of our summer schedule since its inception.

Bring your lawn chairs & blankets, or use the picnic table seating in the pavilion.

Every week, there will be music, Holy Communion, and more! We look forward to welcoming you to this relaxed setting this summer.



Deacon Emily delivering the children's message (above). Outdoor worship setting and Baptism (below).

Walk the prayer labyrinth before or after worship.



### SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday 9:00 am - Noon

Friday - CLOSED

## 50th Ordination Anniversary

On Sunday, June 18th, St. Paul will recognize the 50th Anniversary of the ordinations of Pastor Gene Stuckey, Pastor David Fisher and Pastor Glenn Ludwig.

They were ordained by the former Central Pennsylvania Synod at its convention on June 22, 1969 on the campus of Susquehanna University.

Please join us in worship for this celebration.

## St. Paul Kids

### Kirchenwald Comes to St. Paul

June 19 - 23.

Camp counselors will be at St. Paul to lead VBS for kids who've completed grades K-5. On June 23 we will meet at Kirchenwald for a game of Capture the Flag! Don't miss this special week! Register online. Contact Deacon Emily, [deaconemily@stpaulkitz.net](mailto:deaconemily@stpaulkitz.net).



### LEGO BUILDERS

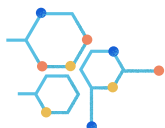
Lego Bible Builders! It's back and it's beloved! Kids who've completed grades 1-6 are invited to build together based on the Bible. Creations will be displayed during outdoor worship each Sunday. We'll meet Fridays in June and July (June 9 - July 28) from 10:00am-11:00am in classroom 6 (accessed from the pavilion lot). Collin Maryniak, youth and lego-leader, will guide us each week. Come to the Fridays you can. Friends are always welcome!

### STAY TUNED!

More summer fun for kids will happen this summer!

- Science Squad: Detailed plans for summer science adventures are in the works!
- "By Heart" Challenge & Pool Party!

For more information: [stpaulkitz.net/kids](http://stpaulkitz.net/kids)



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## St. Paul Youth



This summer the St. Paul Youth have several activities to keep them connected:

- Confirmation Camp will be June 18-24 at Camp Kirchenwald. 11 youth from St. Paul are attending!
- The youth will be in Philadelphia July 24 - 26 for their summer service trip. They will work with Broad Street Ministry, serving meals and offering hospitality to those in need.
- Pool parties and summer hikes to be announced!

## VOLUNTEER AT THE CELC THIS SUMMER

CELC Summer Camp is looking for St. Paul volunteers to share their skills and talents with our school-age students.. Do you Bake? Paint? Garden? Knit? Woodwork? We would love to help you share your talents with the children at St. Paul through an intergenerational, hands-on connection. We even hope to do some joint events for school and church kids together. If you are interested, we will create an experience that blesses both you and the kids. Contact Stacey in the CELC ([stacey@stpaulcelc.org](mailto:stacey@stpaulcelc.org)) or Deacon Emily.

### NEW MEMBER & VISITOR CORNER

Are you interested in joining St Paul or finding out more?

Join us for our next *Welcome Class* on Sunday, July 9th at 11:00 am.

Contact Pastor Rob, [rev.rob@stpaulkitz.net](mailto:rev.rob@stpaulkitz.net) or the office 717-626-4709, [office@stpaulkitz.net](mailto:office@stpaulkitz.net) to register.

### PIZZA with the PASTOR

Please join us for *Pizza with the Pastor* on Thursday, June 29th at 6:30 pm if you joined St. Paul in 2022 or 2023.

More details to follow. Contact the office to register: [office@stpaulkitz.net](mailto:office@stpaulkitz.net), 717-626-4709.

