

HUNGRY HEARTS CLOTHING ROOM at FUMC

First and Third Thursdays of the month 1:00 - 3:30

Second and Fourth Thursdays of the month 3:00 - 5:30

MARCH FOCUS - MEN AND BOYS UNDERWEAR

Clothing Room Donations We are accepting gently used clothing, bedding, small appliances and kitchen essentials. Please place your items in the shopping cart in the office. Thank you for your support of the ministry.

During the season of Lent, we meditate on the message of the cross – the suffering, bleeding, and dying of our Savior for our sins and the sins of the world. As

we pray and focus on His death knowing that Easter is coming, it might be helpful to have a focal point to include in our devotional time. As many of you know, Daryl Mackey is a talented woodworker. He has handcrafted crosses in different sizes and donated them to United Women in Faith. We invite you to find one that you like, make a free-will donation, and take it to be used as part of your Lenten preparation. Crosses will be available in both the Narthex and Family Life Center each Sunday during Lent. Money donated will be given to the St. Paul Food Pantry.



New Members Class

Pastor Mindi will be holding a class for anyone who would like to become a member of St. Paul. This will be a one day event and will be held on **Sunday, April 19th** following our 9:45 a.m. service (approx. 11 a.m.). We will have lunch together as we learn about St. Paul UMC and what it means to be an active member of this congregation. New Members will be welcomed into the congregation on Pentecost Sunday, May 24th at the service that you attend. Please sign up in the narthex or FLC. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Mindi.

Easter gift bags for our homebound members will be available March 22nd.

Please consider delivering an Easter gift bag to one of our homebound members. The gift bags are available on the table in the Narthex. Each bag is marked with a homebound member's name and address. You can brighten the day of one of our homebound members by choosing to deliver an Easter gift bag filled with goodies and love from their church family. If you have any questions, call Darlene Coldsmith at 717-660-9874.

St. Paul United Methodist Church

Sunday, March 22

8:30 am Worship (Sanctuary)

9:45 am Choir Practice (Choir room)

9:45 am Contemporary Family Life Service (Family Life Center)

9:45 am Sunday School Children's Education(A2), Youth, Faithful Remnants(Lib)

5:00 pm Game Night (Family Life Center)

Monday, March 23

7:00 pm Al-anon (A24)

Tuesday, March 24

10:00 am Pastor Mindi time with children (Sanctuary)

10:00 am Prayer with Darlene (Chapel)

Wednesday, March 25

1:00 pm Share Group (Library)

6:00 pm Meal (Family Life Center)

6:45 pm Next Gen

Thursday, March 26

6:45 – 7:45 pm Bell Choir Practice (Sanctuary)

Saturday, March 28

9am – 3pm Spring Craft & Book Show (Family Life Center)

Sunday, March 29

8:30 am Worship (Sanctuary)

9:45 am Choir Practice (Choir room)

9:45 am Contemporary Family Life Service (Family Life Center)

9:45 am Sunday School Children's Education(A2), Youth, Faithful Remnants(Lib)

2:00 pm Holy Cows Planning meeting (Martha)

5:00 pm Youth (Family Life Center)

Offerings for the week of March 15, 2026

Current Envelopes (Budget is \$4,746)	\$ 4,053.90
Loose Plate (Budget is \$145)	\$ 219.00
All Other Giving (Designated)	\$ 2,143.02
Attendance (8:30 am and 9:45 am)	53,48
Online viewers March 8	218

Homebound Member with an upcoming birthday would enjoy receiving a card:

Mae Divelbiss (3/11) 2394 New Franklin Road, Chbg, PA 17202

Mission Trip Opportunity! Sunday, April 12 – Saturday, April 18

Spruce Pine region (North of Asheville) in North Carolina. The actual housing site is Altamont UMC, Newland, NC. Contact Dianne Hetrick for more information or if interesting in going along.

You are invited to join the St. Paul Youth Group on a mission trip to Evansville, IN July 11th-July 17th. This will be a wonderful opportunity to build relationships among our St. Paul community while we put our hands and feet into action. The work will vary from pulling weeds and painting, to light repairs/ construction depending on the skill sets of those who attend. The projects will vary based on the needs of the community. We will be driving to Evansville. The cost is \$20 a person. If you are interested in participating, please sign up in the narthex or FLC. If you have any questions, please see Pastor Mindi.

Due to the past successes and requests from the congregation, the youth at St Paul along with Pastor Mindi will be hosting Game Night on Sunday evening, March 22nd from 5-8PM in the Family Life Center. Pizza, salad and refreshments will be provided. Any additional food you would like to bring to share along with any games you personally enjoy would be welcomed gratefully! Sign up sheets are available outside the Narthex and at the entrance of the Family Life Center. Please feel free to invite family and friends to join in the fun! We hope to see you there!

Beginning on **March 25**, Wendy Freyer will be leading a study on the **“Great Prayers of the Bible.”** Our study will begin with the Lord’s Prayer, followed by prayers of Abraham, Moses, David, and others in the following weeks. As we study together some of the great prayers in the Bible, we can learn better how to pray. We will meet in room **A-7 at 6:45**. Come join us! Please note, there will be **no** class on April 1 and April 15.

Join us for our annual Covenant Kids Easter egg hunt on Saturday, April 4 from 10-11 am. Bring a basket to collect the eggs, play some games, and make an Easter craft!

Holy Week Services

Thursday, April 2 – Maundy Thursday 7pm (Sanctuary)

Friday, April 3 – Good Friday 7pm (Sanctuary)

Sunday, April 5 – Easter Sunrise Service 6:30am (Outside by the cross)

On **Tuesday April 7**, the **United Women in Faith** will be welcoming **Jacqui Wolfe** who is the executive director of **Homeless Matters of Franklin County**. She will explain how this program services the needs of homeless students and their families in our school districts. Please join us in **room A-7 at 9:30** for her presentation. All are welcome! This program was originally planned for March 2nd but rescheduled due to the weather. If you have any questions, contact Wendy Freyer, 717-873-2851.

Our visioning preparation team invites you to mark your calendars for our all church visioning day on Saturday, May 2nd from 9-3 p.m. More information will be provided as we get closer to this event. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Mindi.

Food Pantry Needs Your Help TODAY

We are in desperate need of cardboard boxes approximately 12" X 12" X 18" and empty egg cartons. Please place in carts located throughout church or place in the office.

A Message from the Trustees

We want to let you know about a few projects coming in the near future. They are either necessary or exciting or both!

- We are adding more security cameras that will enhance our existing system.
- We plan to replace the heating and air conditioning unit (29 years old) that services the office area.
- We have authorized the purchase of new monitors for the Worship Team to use in the FLC. These should enrich your worship experience.
- Repairs are needed for the garden shed that services our community garden.
- The lights in the parking lots and on the driveway are being replaced with LED bulbs. This is necessary because we have difficulty getting replacement bulbs for the current set up. And it is vital for your safety at night and for security.

These projects total approximately \$42,000. We are utilizing various sources to fund these projects. We have a bequeath of \$27,000, money set aside in Music Ministries Fund (this will help pay for the monitors), our Investment Fund will be tapped for \$7800 (this will cover the parking lot lights) and the Maintenance and Improvement Fund will absorb the rest.

Our building is getting older and just like us, parts start to wear out. The Trustees are very appreciative of your support as we endeavor to care for our campus. If you would like to help this mission, mark your gift for

the Building Fund or the Maintenance and Improvement. And we thank you in advance.