

Paxton Presbyterian Church

Established 1732



OUR MISSION STATEMENT

God calls Paxton Presbyterian Church, a body of believers in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, to demonstrate God's love in the world. We celebrate his love by moving forward in Christ's work, always being open to change and obedience to his will through:

- ◆ Actively bringing people to Christ
- ◆ Being faithful stewards of God's gifts
- ◆ Generously using and sharing all that we have
- ◆ Nurturing faith through inspirational worship, prayer and study of the Gospel
- ◆ Being compassionate to all and
- ◆ Lovingly serving humanity in mission to the local and global communities.

From Paxton Church's Strategic Plan—2008)

SERVICE OF HEALING AND WHOLENESS—TODAY AT 4:00 pm

According to our Presbyterian Book of Common Worship, "God calls the Church to continue the healing ministry of Jesus Christ, caring for one another, sharing joys and sorrows, providing support in times of stress and need, and offering admonition forgiveness, and reconciliation. Services of wholeness and healing are one way of enacting the church's ministry of pastoral care."

In response to that call, we are conducting a Service of Healing and Wholeness this Sunday afternoon (February 24) at 4:00 at Paxton Presbyterian Church. Everyone is welcome to attend.

3500 Sharon Street, Harrisburg, PA 17111

717~561~0510, www.paxtonchurch.org

February 24, 2019

Worship Time: 10:00 a.m. ~ Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

(Take time to prepare your heart to worship God.)

PRELUDE "Reflections on 'Southwell'" D. Lasky
"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace" S. Temple, arr. D. Wagner
"Blest Be the Tie That Binds" arr. G. Young

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

MUSIC INTERLUDE

TO GIVE PRAISE TO GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing.

Know that the Lord is God. It is he that made us, and we are his; we are God's people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him, bless his name.

For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

* HYMN 756 "O God of Every Nation"

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Amen.

(Please pause for a moment of silent confession.)

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the Good News. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Praise God. Amen.

◆ GLORIA PATRI (Hymnal Page 581)

IN THE EVENT PAXTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH MUST CANCEL SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES, members can check for up-to-date cancellations by watching CBS21 News & WGAL 8 (also may view information online at: local21news.com or wgal.com). In addition, the church office answering machine may be called for information (717)561-0510.

TERRIFIC TUESDAYS resumed on February 19. It will be held on the first and third Tuesdays of each month and will run through May. All children ages 18 months through age 8 are welcome. Parents must stay with their children during the event. The hours are from 5:30 to 7:00 PM. This is a "drop in" program and there is no fee. For more information you can email sci-on17th@gmail.com, Patricia Bowers.

THE LENTEN SEASON is upon us soon. Come join us for a good meal that you don't have to fix, no clean up and no dishes to wash. Bring a friend or two. Dinner is every Wednesday of Lent beginning March 13 through April 10 at 6:30 pm Feel free to sign up as a family or group to provide a meal for approx. 50 people. Lenten worship service to follow dinner.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN are comprised of **ALL** women of the church. We support local women's missions, such as: *Silence of Mary House, Bethesda Mission for Women and Children* and *Lighthouse Ministries*. We help raise money for these mission efforts through the Soup Sale and our dues. (The Giant Gift Card Sales are a separate effort and that money has been used to help with long term maintenance.) We are collecting **dues** during the **months of January and February**. The monies received in dues help to finance all the efforts of Presbyterian Women. Please consider contributing your dues to Presbyterian Women. You can decide on the amount. **Make the check payable to PW of Paxton** or put cash in one of the envelopes in the **Gathering Room addressed to PW of Paxton**. **Please include your name**, so we know who has paid. You can put it in the offering plate, drop it in the office or give it to one of us at the Giant table. Thank you so much for helping us in our efforts to support women in our church and in our community.



The Deacons will be collecting
Pasta, Pasta Sauce, Jello
during the month of February for the Ecumenical Food Pantry.

PAXTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Website: www.paxtonchurch.org
Email: office@paxtonchurch.org

Ministers ~ All Members

SESSION

Erika Hanes (Clerk of Session)

Connie Cochran	Evangelism & Membership
LaVerne Collins*	Christian Education
Erin Giambrone*	Mission & Outreach
Doug Hitz*	Stewardship & Finance
Don Laughery	Pastoral Relations & Staff
Rich Lengler*	Property Management
Robert Martin	Stewardship & Finance
David McPherson	Worship & Music
Cindy Mory*	Worship & Music
Gary Myers*	Pastoral Relations & Staff
Blanche Skinner	Property Management
Kristian Stennett*	Evangelism & Membership
Kitti Taylor	Christian Education
	*Chair

BOARD OF DEACONS

Pam & Louis Robertson (Co-Moderators)

Nan Bonnet	Sue McLain
Linette Burd	John Moyer
Judy Daniels	Wanda Newhouse
Linda Flowers	Leigh Ramsey
Nino Giambrone	Cathy Roland
Marti Greiner	Joy Stennett
Jim Holtzman	Bev Ziebell

We are a Stephen Ministry Church

For confidential referral, or if you are interested in becoming a Stephen Minister please contact a leader.

STEPHEN LEADERS

Helen Heidelbaugh
Gary Myers
Jane Rising
Jane Sanford

STEPHEN MINISTERS

Carol Anderson
Karen Herrold
Cheryl Holtzman
Janice Hutchison
Annette Kilpatrick
Bill LaDieu
Donna Leaver
Nancy Lengler
Steve Miller
Kathy Woodbridge



WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sun 24	8:00	Pancake Breakfast
	9:00	Church School
	10:00	Worship
	11:00	Sunday Snacks
	4:00	Service of Healing and Wholeness
	6:30	Youth Fellowship
Tues 26	9:30	Staff Meeting
Wed 27	8:00	Men's Fellowship Breakfast
	9:30	Sewing
	10:00	LMP/WC Board
	7:00	Deacons
Thur 28	6:00	Lions
	6:15	Bells
	7:30	Adult Choir
Fri 1	10-12:00	Clothing Drop Off
	2-6:00	Clothing Drop Off
Sat 2	10 -2	PW Community Clothing Bazaar
Sun 3	9:00	Confirmation Class
	9:00	Church School
	10:00	Communion Worship
	11:00	Sunday Snacks

Paxton Church Staff

Pastor, The Reverend John W. Green
Director of Music, Richard Fowler
Organist, Jeanne Bruce
Christian Education Administrator, Jo Jacoby
Office Staff, JoAnn Snyder, Judy Frankford
Treasurer, Laurence A. Kilpatrick, CPA
Wedding Coordinator, Peg Elder
Custodian, Mary Bowers

TO CELEBRATE THE FAMILY OF FAITH

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

* PASSING OF THE PEACE
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

TO HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

MORNING PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER

FIRST READING Psalm 37:1-11 (OT Page 510)

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM "Because You Live, O Christ" Paxtones arr. Mallory

GOSPEL READING Luke 6:27-36 (NT Page 64)

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Loving Our Enemies" Pastor Green

HYMN 300 "We Are One In the Spirit"

* APOSTLE'S CREED (Hymnal page 35)

TO OFFER OUR GIFTS AND OUR LIVES

PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "The Gift of Love" Adult Choir ~ Diane Jacobs, Soloist arr. Hopson

* DOXOLOGY (Hymnal Page 606)

TO GO REJOICING IN GOD'S NAME

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 14 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

* BENEDICTION (unison) from Patrick of Ireland, 389-461

May the strength of God pilot us.
May the power of God preserve us.
May the wisdom of God instruct us.
May the hand of God protect us.
May the way of God direct us.

May the host of God guard us against the snares of evil
and the temptations of the world.
May Christ be with us,
Christ before us,
Christ in us,
Christ over us.
May your salvation, O Lord,
be always ours this day and forevermore. Amen.

CHORAL RESPONSE "Come, Spirit, Come" Adult Choir arr. Cochran

POSTLUDE "Sing a New Song" D. Schutte, arr. D. Wagner

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THE LECTOR this morning is Elder Bob Martin. Bob is a member of the Stewardship and Finance Ministry.

DURING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY the youth of the Confirmation Class will be participating in the worship service. This week the scriptures will be read by Olivia and Gia Signore.

THE USHERS joyfully serving the month of February: Tom Clark, Captain; Bob Frank, Norm Daniels, Dave Elder, Rebecca Haner, Ryan Haskins, John Palmer, William Sanford, Michael Trephan.

TODAY Pastor Green will greet at the south door, the lector will greet at the porch door and an usher will greet at the parlor door.

THERE ARE TWO FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS in the chancel this morning. One is placed in honor of Sam Frank, who is celebrating his 13th birthday on February 28th, with much love from Mom, Dad and Joe. The other arrangement is placed in celebration of Rachel's 16th birthday, by Doug and Janet Hitz. Rachel - having you as our daughter is a joy and a blessing!

Just a reminder that if the contributor is not taking the flowers, a deacon has been assigned to take them to a homebound member. Thank You!

COINS FOR CARING in February will benefit the Presbyterian Youth Triennium being held July 16-20 on the campus of Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana.

SERMON HELP



PRAYER SQUARE



As Christians we are called to pray for everyone in a difficult time of life. To protect the privacy of those for whom we are praying we ask that permission be received before a name is placed for prayer request.

Please keep the following members of Paxton in your prayers: Jo Cain, Kathie Zimmerman, Kacey Bowers, Nancy Wion, Christopher Bruce Family & Vera, Louis Robertson, Marian Birth, Sally Killian, Linda Brillinger, Jo Jacoby, Abby (Laughery) and Chris Black, Helen Heidelbaugh and family

Continued Prayers: Krista Baer, Jim Gischel, Carmen DeLuccia, Erin Francis-Friel, Lori Giroux, Kathy Clark, Fred Purvis, Joyce Burd, Greg Brazil, Lynn McWatters, Dennis Otte, Ron McWatters, Anya Zvorsky, Connie March, Kathleen Kuhn, Stanley Fabiano, Deb Day, Claire Jamison

February 24—John Hammann, Essie Dumm, Ariella Coyne, Vicki Mays, Will Greene, Susan Schenk

Each week we will be praying for our brothers and sisters in Christ within our Presbytery. This week we are praying for the Hope United Presbyterian Church in Dauphin.