



# The Good News

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

Chittenango, New York

April 2022

## Progress, Not Perfection

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The Mission of our Parish is to be an active community reflecting God's presence in Chittenango and other communities we represent.

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### Our Services

Sundays at 9 AM

Join us on Zoom!

Link will be posted to our Facebook page every week

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Today, I was nursing a baby chick, trying against all odds, to help it survive. At this point in time, I wasn't successful - which honestly didn't surprise me, but saddens me, for saving some of God's little creatures is not the easiest thing to do. Sometimes, it's just not meant to be. And sometimes, those tiny critters survive, despite the odds being against them. You just never know, so you keep fighting to keep them going.

That is like us at St. Paul's - actually at pretty much any church right now. We keep fighting against the odds, we keep working to share God's word, we keep hoping that someone we have touched will remember our love and caring and come back home. That is all we can do. Are we perfect? Heck no!! But it isn't about perfection - like I tell Clayton, it's about progress. We cannot be perfect, but we can strive to improve.

Do you know that even if you can't physically make a church service, you CAN join us via ZOOM, and we still can use volunteer help for different things that you can do, even if making a Sunday service is difficult. A few things that come to mind is the Altar Guild - you could volunteer to set the altar up for 2 Sunday's a month and that would help immensely. Reach out to me, if this is something you feel is feasible.

We have events coming up that could use help, such as the Tag Sale in May - helping set up tables inside, marking spots outside and setting up a tent for selling hot dogs - maybe you can come cook the hotdogs for us. Speaking of hotdogs, how about Oz Fest -- we need help setting up that tent, cooking/selling hotdogs, cleaning up and parking cars. These are ALL things St. Paul's needs help, if we are going to continue helping out in the community.

The first thing coming up is the Tag Sale on May 21st - Wednesday Tania and I mark the spots and number them, we would LOVE to have someone come help us. Something you can bring the kids to help out with!! We would enjoy the extra energy. What better way to nourish yourself, your kids, your church family?



The Episcopal Relief Fund is having a special fundraiser for the Ukrainian refugees - if you would like to donate to this wonderful cause, here is the website that takes you directly to the donation page:

<https://www.episcopalrelief.org/>

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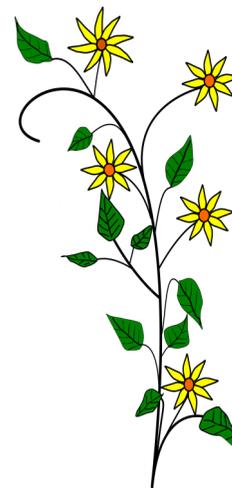
Amy Veator  
Newsletter Editor

## Prayer List

Ethel Barber, April Boyle, John Brennan,  
Mike Furtado, Joan Grover, Donna Hoff-  
man, Lynn Mozeliak, Sawyer Nichols,  
Gaven Sherman, Joan Tedford, and  
Ted Tedford

New Prayer List for February 2022/March 2022 has  
been posted on the bulletin board.

If you wish to have someone added to St. Paul's Pray-  
er list, please contact Becky Kraus at  
bak092364@gmail.com / 315- 382-9056 or Robin  
Weisbrod at rdweisbrod@gmail.com /315 655-4321.



If anyone would like a written copy of the weekly lessons/Gospel,  
Psalm, and Fr. Leon's sermon, either mailed to you or emailed to  
you - please contact the Church, by phone or by email and let  
Becky know. She will drop them in the mail to you weekly.

Please email  
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Or call (315) 687-6304

## About St. Paul's

The earliest record of Episcopal Church services in this vicinity  
was 1816 when St. Stephen's Church of Perryville was incorpo-  
rated. At that time Chittenango was little more than a gathering of  
frame and log houses. From 1816-1832 rectors from St. Stephen's  
held missionary services in Chittenango.

Around 1849 a few gentlemen who greatly admired and revered  
the beautiful services of the Church, agreed to make an effort to  
have services occasionally held. By the spring of 1855 services be-  
gan to be held regularly once a month in the Bethel. St. Paul's was  
officially organized as a parish on June 18, 1855. St. Paul's church  
was built in 1865 as a Gothic Revival-style structure. The lot, build-  
ing, furniture and windows cost \$5000. The building  
was completed in less that six months. The first service was held in  
the church on Easter Day, April 1, 1866.

On May 12, 1866 the church was consecrated by Bishop Coxe. It  
was added to the U.S. National Historic Register of National Places  
in 1996.

# April

## Birthdays

02 Lynn Mozeliak	18 Joan Grover
04 Michael Furtado	21 Woody Woodworth
06 Pamela Hobbs	22 April Boyle
07 Tim Hobbs	23 Scott Titus
11 Courtney Stagnitti	25 Sue Huebler
14 Sue Gerling	26 Shelby Just
15 Jan Woodworth	30 Steven Just

## Anniversaries

13 Tim and Pam Hobbs  
 15 Justin and Colleen Benjamin  
 25 Mike and Joanne Furtado

## Ministry Team Schedule

**April 3, 2022  
 Holy Eucharist**

Rev. Dr. Leon C. Mozeliak, Jr.

LEM: Judy Olmsted  
 Lessons: Becky Kraus  
 Prayers: Becky Kraus  
 Acolyte: Ed Hoffman  
 MIDI: Valerie Travers  
 Coffee Hour: Vestry

**April 14, 2022, Holy Thursday  
 Holy Eucharist**

Rev. Dr. Leon C. Mozeliak, Jr.

LEM: Judy Olmsted  
 Lessons: Judy Olmsted  
 Prayers: Judy Olmsted  
 Acolyte: Ed Hoffman  
 MIDI: Valerie Travers

**April 24, 2022,  
 Morning Prayer**

Judy Olmsted

Lessons: Robin Weisbrod  
 Prayers: Robin Weisbrod  
 Acolyte: Ed Hoffman  
 MIDI: Valerie Travers  
 Coffee Hour: Please volunteer

**April 10, 2022, Palm Sunday  
 Holy Eucharist**

Fr. Charles Grover

LEM: Judy Olmsted  
 Lessons: Claudia Jensen  
 Prayers: Claudia Jensen  
 Acolyte: Ed Hoffman  
 MIDI: Valerie Travers  
 Coffee Hour: Please volunteer

**April 17, 2022, Easter Sunday  
 Holy Eucharist**

Rev. Dr. Leon C. Mozeliak, Jr.

LEM: Judy Olmsted  
 Lessons: Sue Gerling  
 Prayers: Sue Gerling  
 Acolyte: Ed Hoffman  
 MIDI: Valerie Travers  
 Coffee Hour: Please volunteer

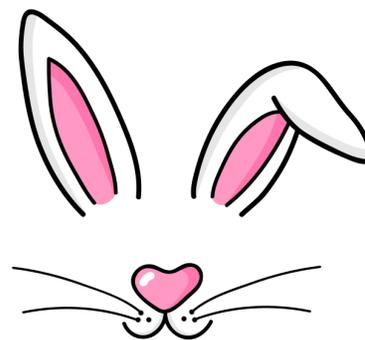
**Altar Guild**

Becky Kraus  
 Robin Weisbrod

Prayerfully consider

Would you like to join us  
on Vestry?

If so, reach out to Robin or Judy  
and let us know.



HAPPY EASTER



**St. Paul's Episcopal Church  
in Chittenango, NY  
is having their  
ANNUAL TAG SALE**

**May 21, 2022  
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM**

**Rent a space, bring your own tent - \$12  
Plenty of outside spots available**

**Rent a table inside - \$15  
Limited number of tables**

**contact Robin at  
stpaulstagsale@gmail.com**

**or  
(315) 367-8111**

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You also can send a check to St. Paul's with Episcopal Relief Fund/Ukraine on the memo line and we will make sure your donation is sent to the correct place or you can send a check directly to them:

Episcopal Relief & Development  
P.O. Box 7058  
Merrifield, VA 22116-7058

Please keep the Ukrainian (and Russian) people in your prayers, they do not want nor asked for this invasion. The following is from our Presiding Bishop - perhaps we should all pray these words before heading off to bed:

We pray for peace, but maybe we don't have the words. We pray for a just peace, but maybe we don't have the words. We pray that the lives of innocents and the lives of any human child of God will be spared. We pray that our leaders will find a diplomatic way, a nonviolent way of solution. But we don't know how to pray as we are. So, the Spirit must intercede for us at this time.

*- The Most Rev. Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church*

Again, if you can find it in your heart to help us with some volunteer time, let me know. You can email me at [rdweisbrod@gmail.com](mailto:rdweisbrod@gmail.com) or call my cell (315) 367-8111 anytime - just leave me a text or voice message and I'll get back to you as soon as I can.

God Bless,  
Robin W.



## Upcoming Events at St. Paul's

Ash Wednesday: March 2nd at 7:00 PM

Palm Sunday: April 10th at 9:00 AM

Stations of the Cross: April 13th

Maundy Thursday: April 14th, 7:00 PM

Good Friday: April 15th, 3:00 PM

Easter: April 17th at 9:00 AM

Blessing of the Bikes - May 7th

Mother's Day Breakfast - May 8th

Oz Fest June 3rd-5th



# Thank You Notes

Dear Friend's at St. Paul's,  
Scott and I would like to thank all of you for your prayers, phone calls, cards and the wonderful fruit basket you sent us at the time of Joe's death. You all mean so much to us. We miss Joe so much that it hurts. Hopefully, he's out of pain and at peace being with the Lord.

Much love,  
Ruth and Scott Williams

Dear Friend's at St. Paul's,  
It is a blessing to work with all of you as your Parish Priest. Thank you for your generous Christmas gift.  
Christ's peace,  
Fr. Leon

Dear Friends as St. Paul's,

Thank you for the beautiful bouquet of flowers. The colors of the flowers add to beauty outside my room. I look forward to being discharged home and able to worship with you all soon.

Love,  
Joan

To All,  
Thank you for all your Prayers and also the Fruit Basket. It was all very much appreciated.

Thanks again to you all.

Don Lee

To Everyone at St. Paul's Episcopal Church,  
For simply everything you do for Ida.  
God's Peace to All,  
Mike Goins

I want to extend my thanks for the many greeting cards and good wishes on my birthday, Feb. 16th (I'm really late I know). And the surprise birthday cake from the Bible Study Group, it was delicious and beautifully decorated! One candle - couldn't risk a fire.

God Bless ALL!!

Sincerely,  
Ida Goins

## BIBLE STUDY: EASTER 6 (C) – 2019

MAY 26, 2019

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### Acts 16:9-15

Throughout the Acts of the Apostles, Paul and his crew are directed where to go in many different ways. Just before this passage, the apostles are “forbidden by the Holy Spirit to speak the word in Asia” and “the Spirit of Jesus” does not “allow them” to go into Bithynia (Acts 16:6-7). But in this passage, Paul receives positive direction in two different ways: through a vision of a man and an invitation of a woman. In their mission work, the early followers of Jesus must remain just as open to indirect messages about where they are not to go as they are to specific affirmations of where they are welcome.

- ◆ When has it been easier for you to hear warnings about where not to go and what not to do? When has it been easier to hear positive guidance? In what different ways has God offered you direction in your life?
- ◆ She urged us, saying, “...come and stay at my home.” What invitation in your life are you having difficulty being open to? Is it from someone you do not expect?

### Psalm 67

We read the word “all” five times in this short Psalm: “all nations” (twice), “all the peoples” (twice), and “all the ends of the earth” (once). Unlike in other parts of Scripture, God’s inclusiveness is unmistakable in this psalm. Over and over again, God’s all-encompassing love expands beyond the limits of the psalmist’s imagination. The reference to “the ends of the earth” reminds us that the globalization and circumnavigation of our day were inconceivable at that time.

- ◆ In what ways might our own imaginations be limited by our concepts of space, time, and global realities? How does God’s love extend beyond even those?
- ◆ When all the peoples praise God, do they praise God in the same way or differently? How does our understanding of universality intersect with our notions of diversity and particularity?

### Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

The vision of St. John of the new Jerusalem in these verses is quite beautiful, and echoes Psalm 67: “the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations.” The lack of night in this new city means the gates of the city will never be shut. In this, we know that there is no longer anything for its inhabitants to fear. Given how intrinsic fear, insecurity, and anxiety are to modern life, it is hard to imagine life without them motivating our habits and choices. What would a lack of fear, insecurity, and anxiety look like in your life and in the life of the Church?

- ◆ What is missing from St. John’s description of the new city? What other aspects of life in the new heaven and new earth do you long for?
- ◆ Why is imagining life without fear, insecurity, or anxiety helpful or important for Christians? What can it enable or open us to?

### John 14:23-29

In the joy of the Easter season, it is sometimes easy to forget that Jesus will leave the disciples again at the end of the fifty days. Even as we celebrate Jesus’ resurrection from the dead, we know that the disciples will need to let go of the incarnated friend they have known. In this passage from before the Passion, Jesus reminds his disciples that he will not leave them on their own, but will give them the Holy Spirit to be with them. Jesus also teaches his disciples that part of loving him is letting him go back to the Father.

- ◆ Has anyone ever said to you, “If you love/d me, then you would...”? Have you ever said that to anyone? Was it helpful or hurtful? Why does Jesus say it now?
- ◆ Why is the Holy Spirit called the Advocate (Other translations include: Comforter, Helper, Friend, Intercessor, Strengthened)? What are other names for the Holy Spirit and what do they offer to you?

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