

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

# Share Your Gifts

Complete 2006-2007

# A to Z Guide

**Acolytes:** Middle and high school age youth who assist in worship. They light the altar candles and assist with the offering and Holy Communion. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Adult Sunday School Class:** A class, led by the pastors, that meets from 10:00-10:45am in Schafer Hall to discuss issues of faith and life. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Alcoholics Anonymous (AA):** AA meets every Wednesday at 7:00pm in Schafer Hall. Contact: Washington Area Central Office 202-966-9115.

**Altar Flowers:** Donors are invited to place flowers on the altar in honor or memory of loved ones. Contact: Bente Longfellow, Office Administrator at the church office or blongfellow@stpaulslutherandc.com.

**Altar Guild:** Members of the Altar Guild prepare the altar for worship and the celebration of the sacraments. Contact: Mary Ballou 202-244-6806.

**Archives:** Volunteers who help organize, categorize and maintain the records and historical data of the church. The goal is to educate our congregation about the legacies of St. Paul's. Contact: Bobby Lerch 301-654-5104 or bobbylerch@aol.com.

**Banner Bearers:** Youth who assist with festival worship services by carrying a banner in the procession. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Baptisms:** The Sacrament of Holy Baptism is celebrated during worship. Baptisms are scheduled throughout the year. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Barber Shop Singers:** A community group of men who meet every Monday at 7:00pm in the lower auditorium. Contact: Ed Bose 301-946-0934.

**Bell Choir:** The Hand Bell Choir plays during worship and rehearses every Wednesday at 7:00pm in the sanctuary. Contact: Lexy Mueller, Bell Choir Director 301-718-9687 or lexymueller@yahoo.com.

**Bible Study:** A Bible Study led by one of the pastors is held periodically. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Budget Committee:** A team of volunteers responsible for preparing and presenting the budget to the congregation. Contact: Paula Stewart, Chair 410-956-7117 or pstewart\_163@msn.com.

**Bulletins:** All inclusive bulletins are prepared on Wednesdays in the church office. Items for the bulletin must be received by Wednesday at 12:00 noon. Contact: Bente Longfellow, Office Administrator at the church office or blongfellow@stpaulslutherandc.com.

**Business Manager:** The business manager of St. Paul's is Dan Groeber. He manages the use of the church facilities and finances. Contact: Dan Groeber at the church office.

**Campus Ministry at AU:** Volunteers who reach out to the students at American University. Contact: Pastor Omholt at the church office.

**Capital Interfaith Hospitality Network:** An interfaith group that provides shelter for homeless families in our community. Contact: Julie Murphy, Executive Director 202-363-5198 or juliecihn@thrivent.net.

**Care Ministry:** Volunteers who reach out to the sick and homebound with cards, food and visits. Contact: Kay Cartwright 202-966-5040.

**Center for Immigration Law and Practice:** An outreach program to immigrants and their families seeking asylum and residency in the United States. Contact: Silvia Alber-Glanstaetten 202-362-0120.

**Choir:** The Senior Choir sings every week during the 11:00am worship service. They rehearse on Thursdays at 7:30pm in the choir room. Contact: David Hearn, Music Director at the church office.

**Church Council:** Elected leaders who provide oversight and vision for the congregation. Meets every 3rd Monday of the month at 7:30 pm. Contact: Sue Hollar, Council President 202-966-2009 or SueandDave@hollar.us.

**Church Decorating:** Volunteers who help decorate the sanctuary in preparation for Christmas. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Clutterer's Anonymous:** A 12-step recovery program that offers help to the true clutterer, who is overwhelmed by disorder. Meets every Monday at 7:30 in Schafer Hall. Contact: 301-281-6064 for other meeting times and locations.

**Coffee Hour:** A time of food, fellowship and hospitality in the portico following the 11:00am service. Contact: Nancy Shearer 301-230-0094.

**Communion Assistants:** Volunteers who assist with the distribution of Holy Communion during worship. Contact: Kay Cartwright 202-966-5040.

**Community Council for the Homeless at Friendship Place:** A partner organization of St. Paul's Shelter that provides outreach to the homeless in our neighborhood. Contact: Jessica Macleod, Director of Homeless Services 202-364-1419.

**Concerts and Recitals:** Musical performances are held at St. Paul's during the course of the year. Contact: David Hearn, Music Director at the church office.

**Confirmation:** A two year program for 7th and 8th grade youth that prepares them to affirm their baptisms. Classes meet every Tuesday from 4:45-6:00pm in room 207. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Counseling:** The pastors are available to meet with individuals and families in times of crisis and discernment. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Cradle Roll:** Outreach to the newly baptized of St. Paul's through cards and mailings. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Crucifers:** Youth who assist in worship by carrying the cross in procession. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Disaster Response:** Prayers, fundraising and work teams which respond to victims of disasters. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Devotional Booklets:** Booklets for personal devotional use available in the narthex. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Education Ministry:** A ministry team who oversees Christian education, including Sunday School, at St. Paul's. Contact: Bill Hamm, Education Ministry Chair 301-680-0909 or bhamm@fihe.org.

**Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA):** The national Lutheran church body of which St. Paul's is a member. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office or visit [www.elca.org](http://www.elca.org).

**Evangelism Ministry:** A ministry teams who oversees the communication of the gospel through the website, visitor mailings, etc. Contact: Regina Holliday, Evangelism Ministry Chair 202-248-9017.

**Explorer's Class:** A discussion group that focuses on issues in Christian faith and in life. The group meets on Sundays in Epiphany Chapel from 9:45-10:45am. Contact: Miles Kimber 202-686-3503 or mileskimber@yahoo.com.

**Financial Secretary:** The Financial Secretary of St. Paul's monitors the giving of St. Paul's members and distributes quarterly financial statements. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**First Communion Class:** Classes for children of all ages are held throughout the year to prepare them to receive Holy Communion for the first time. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Flower Arrangers:** Volunteers who arrange the flowers that are used during Worship. Contact: Office Administrator Bente Longfellow at the church office or blongfellow@stpaulslutherandc.com.

**Food Pantry:** Food donated by members of St. Paul's for distribution to those in need. Contact: Jane Cramer 301-946-2996 or jane@premieretravel.com.

**Funerals:** Upon the death of a loved one, the pastors are available to help with funeral arrangements and to comfort the grieving. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Game Night:** A gathering of families with children to play games and enjoy fellowship every Tuesday from 6:30-8:00pm in the Lower Auditorium. Contact: Regina Holliday 202-248-9017.

**Gifts of Hope:** An alternative gift giving ministry during Advent that supports Lutheran ministries around the globe. Contact: June Ericsson 301-527-0555 or junecee@iopener.net.

**Greeters:** Team of volunteers who welcome worshipers as they arrive for worship. Contact: Jane Cramer 301-946-2996 or jane@premieretravel.com.

**Holy Communion:** Communion is celebrated at every worship service at St. Paul's. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Holy Land Christian Ecumenical Foundation:** An outreach ministry supported by St. Paul's to people of all faiths in the Holy Land. Contact: Florence Adam 202-966-6686.

**Homeless Shelter:** A shelter for 5 men that operates year round in the church and provides shelter, food and counseling. Contact: Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Internship:** St. Paul's has often participated in the internship program at the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg. Contact: Pastor Omholt at the church office.

**Investment Committee:** A team of volunteers who have oversight of the church's investments. Contact: Bob Holland 301-320-4957 or Bob Hershey 301-652-9425.

**Kitchen Renovation Team:** Team of volunteers who is overseeing the renovation of St. Paul's kitchen. Contact: Lorna Abernathy 202-966-8218 or Imilkovich@aol.com.

**Landscaping:** Team of volunteers who help care for and maintain the church landscape. Contact: Walt Anderson, Support (Property) Ministry Chair 202-333-2672 or amwm@earthlink.net.

**Lay Readers:** Worship leaders who read the scripture lessons. Contact: Jaime Bugaski 810-623-0171 or jaimebuggy@yahoo.com.

**Lubuto Library Project:** Volunteers are needed to help with selecting and organizing donated books into library collections for African street kids. The library is located in the lower narthex. Contact Jane Meyers 202-558-5609 or mayazi@verizon.net.

**Lutheran Social Services (LSS):** A social service agency that reaches out to those in need in the metropolitan area. Contact: Main Office 202-723-3000 or marshallr@lssnca.org.

**Metropolitan Washington DC Synod:** One of 65 synods of the ELCA. This is the synod of which St. Paul's is a member. Contact: Bishop Theodore Schneider 202-408-8110 or metrodcelca@metrodcelca.org.

**Memorial Committee:** A team of volunteers who has oversight of the giving and dedication of gifts to St. Paul's in preparation for Anniversary Sunday in January. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Montessori School:** Auguste Montessori School is a preschool program located on the second floor of the educational building. Contact: Valerie O'Connor, Director 202-237-1788.

**Murch Extended Day Program:** A before and after school program for students at Murch Elementary School located in the Lower Auditorium. Contact: Brenda Shaw, Director 202-282-0130.

**Music Director:** The Music Director of St. Paul's is David R. Hearn. Contact: David Hearn at the church office.

**National Lutheran Home:** A skilled nursing facility in Rockville, MD, for people of all faiths. Contact: Kristi Hughes, Director 301-424-9560 or generalinfo@nlha.com.

**New Member Classes:** Regular classes offered for those interested in becoming members of St. Paul's. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**New Member Sponsors:** Members of St. Paul's who help new members adjust to being part of the St. Paul's community. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Newspaper Advertisements:** Members help to design professional quality advertisements of worship services and special events to place in local newspapers. Contact: Michael Molanphy 202-625-7375 or varadero@covad.net.

**Nursery:** A professionally staffed nursery is available on Sundays from 9:45am-12:15pm for young children. Contact: Cherie Sprenger 301-656-6242.

**Nursery School:** The St. Paul's Nursery School for three and four year olds operates Monday through Friday from 9:00am-12:00 noon on the first floor of the educational building. Contact: Katie Johnson, Director 202-966-0214.

**Office Administrator:** The Office Administrator of St. Paul's is Bente Longfellow. Contact: Bente F. Longfellow at the church office or blongfellow@stpaulslutherandc.com.

**Pastors:** The pastors of St. Paul's are Thomas A. Omholt and Meredith D. Lovell. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Pot Luck Dinner & Discussion:** An occasional gathering on Sunday evenings for food, fellowship and faithful discussion. Contact Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Photographers:** Individuals who take photographs at church functions and upload them onto the church website. Contact: Regina Holliday, Evangelism Ministry Chair 202-248-9017.

**Prime Time Fellowship:** A meeting every third Wednesday of the month for seniors that includes lunch and a discussion. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Reconciling in Christ:** St. Paul's is a reconciling in Christ congregation that openly welcomes gay, lesbian and transgender individuals to become part of the faith community. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Shelter Dinner Volunteers:** A team of people who take turns bringing a hot dinner to our homeless shelter residents each night. Contact: Torri Mumm torri\_mumm@yahoo.com.

**Silent Auction:** Annual fall event to help raise money for the St. Paul's shelter ministry. Contact: Carol Hillier 202-362-1676 or hilliermc@msn.com.

**Simply Giving:** A stewardship opportunity by which members can have their offering automatically withdrawn from their bank Accounts. Contact: Cheryl Hickman, Stewardship Ministry Chair 301-942-5464 or chickman@fbr.com.

**Singles Group:** Young adults who meet regularly for fun, fellowship and service. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Social Ministry:** A team of volunteers who have oversight of how St. Paul's reaches out with the good news to people in need locally, nationally and internationally. Contact: Eric Kilbride, Social Ministry Chair 301-589-5588 or ekilbrid@stmp.aed.org.

**Stewardship Ministry:** A team of volunteers who have oversight of the ways in which we share the gifts of time, talent and treasure. Contact: Cheryl Hickman, Stewardship Ministry Chair 301-942-5464 or chickman@fbr.com.

**Summer Service Week:** Annual week-long trip that St. Paul's youth take to serve others in the worldwide community, grow in faith and enjoy fellowship. Contact: Pastor Lovell at the church office or Jaime Bugaski 810-623-0171 or jaimebuggy@yahoo.com.

**Sunday Church School:** Christian education for children and adults held every Sunday morning during the school year from 9:45-10:45am. Contact: Lara Miller, Co-Superintendent 703-241-0912 or olch75@hotmail.com or Jaime Bugaski, Co-Superintendent 810-623-0171 or jaimebuggy@yahoo.com.

**Summer Sunday School:** Christian education for families held every Sunday morning from June—August from 9:15-10:50am. Contact: Regina Holliday 202-248-9017. Sexton: The sexton of St. Paul's is Tham Le. He cares for the church property and provides security. Contact: Tham Le 202-966-4392.

**Support Ministry:** A team of volunteers who provide oversight for the church property and personnel. Contact: Joan Janshego, Support (Personnel ) Ministry Chair 202-966-4721 or joanjanshego@verizon.net or Walt Anderson, Support (Property) Ministry Chair 202-333-2672 or amwm@earthlink.net.

**Sword & Shield:** A group of seniors who meet for activities such as potluck dinners, theatre visits, and game night. Contact: Bob Janshego 202-966-4721.

**Talent Show:** Annual spring event to showcase the talent of members of St. Paul's and to raise funds for St. Paul's shelter ministry. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Tellers:** A team of volunteers who are responsible for securing, counting, and recording the weekly offering. Contact: Paula Stewart 410-956-7117 or pstewart\_163@msn.com.

**The Trumpet:** The monthly newsletter in which members and ministries are encouraged to contribute articles and announcements. Contact: Joan Tolbert 301-949-9739.

**Theology on Tap:** Periodic gatherings at a local restaurant to discuss issues of faith and life in a happy hour type setting. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Torch Bearers:** Youth who assist in festival worship services by carrying a torch during the procession. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Ushers:** Leaders who welcome worshipers and assist with distributing bulletins and collecting the offering. Contact: Bill Jackson 301-770-1824.

**Vacation Bible School:** A weeklong summer educational experience for children ages 3-5th grade. Youth and adults serve as teachers and helpers. Contact: Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Walks for the Homeless:** Yearly events that are held in support of St. Paul's shelter ministry. Contact: Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Website:** An evangelism tool maintained by volunteers to help spread the word about the ministry at St. Paul's. Contact: Dan Magnolia create@magnolia-design.com.

**Weddings:** The pastors are available to do premarital counseling and to help couples with their plans for their wedding day and marriage. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Worship Ministry:** A team of volunteers who have oversight of the worship and music ministry at St. Paul's. Contact: Betty Yeide 301-587-3771.

**Young Adults Group:** A fellowship group of young adults ranging in age from 20-40 something who enjoy social and service activities. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Youth Groups:** Middle and High School youth who participate in monthly events, retreats and other fellowship and service opportunities. Contact: Pastor Omholt or Pastor Lovell at the church office.

**Youth Group Advisors:** Adults who help plan and lead events for the Middle and High School youth groups. Contact: Jaime Bugaski 810-623-0171 or jaimebuggy@yahoo.com.