There’s no better gift than a Puppy for Christmas!

Gift giving started early this year at St. Paul’s with the first gift presented to Pastor Nathan Seckinger before the Thanksgiving holiday—a Christmas Puppy!

When HR sent out the annual announcement for the Employee Christmas Celebration, they also asked for “hints” of what team members might like Santa to bring. When the suggestion of a puppy kept appearing on wish lists, the Christmas Celebration Committee thought, “let’s see what we can do to make some magic happen around here!” And the idea to give away a Christmas Puppy was born.

A plan was put in place to find a suitable puppy and steps were taken to assure it would be placed in a responsible, loving and safe home. The Labernese (labrador and Burmese mountain dog mix) puppy was one of seven males in its litter. The HR team fostered the puppy for about two weeks as team members were signing up for the drawing.

Pastor Nathan’s name was randomly drawn from approximately 25 entries. The family named the puppy “Buddy” with the favorite Christmas movie, “Elf” in mind.

Buddy the Christmas Puppy might be the youngest in his forever family, but already is the “big dog” as he joins Bandit (a shitzu mix) and Tucker (a Boston terrier).

“We had another, bigger dog that passed a couple of years ago and I’ve really missed her,” said Pastor Nathan. And it’s a sure thing that his two granddaughters, Elaina and Aubrey will be thrilled with this “fun Christmas surprise!”

Pastor Nathan and his family plan to train Buddy at home and maybe attend a class or two.

Regardless of whose name was chosen, Buddy was destined to be a St. Paul’s puppy. So be prepared to see him in the hallways bringing joy to residents and team members for years to come—it’s going to be a lot of fun watching Buddy grow up here!
Our annual Veterans Day Observance got a technical twist this year. We gathered residents in the Headland Friendship Commons on Nov. 11 and were lucky to have the Greenville High School choir join us via Zoom to sing the National Anthem. For those who could not attend in person, we created a video of the program, including the roll call of our residents, and showed it on our campus television channel and our Facebook page.

Students from Commodore Perry sent thoughtful and heartfelt notes and letters of gratitude for our Veterans.

Note above (left) reads: “Thank you for being brave. You were away from your loved ones not knowing when or if you are going to see your loved ones. Thank you for protecting us and risking your life for our safety. Both of my uncles were in the military. Happy Veterans Day! Brayden C.”

Note above (right) reads: “Dear Hero, thank you for keeping our country safe, for being brave, and for protecting us. My Grandpa was in the airforce and I love to listen to his stories. It really means a lot to me how brave people like you can be. I hope you have a good Veterans Day. From, Joey”

Verna Taylor (left) and Pat Ogle, residents in the Oakview Community Living house, proudly share some of the beautiful hand made Christmas cards they created with the help of their Care Partner, Terri Descoteaux.

Anyone would be lucky to receive one of these lovingly created notes in the mail this season!
Thank you to our caring community partners whose donations ensure our residents will stay cozy and warm this winter

Four knot blankets with accompanying hand-written note cards (example at right) were donated by Sigma Kappa Sorority and Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity at Thiel College.

Emma Deitz (pictured at left) presented the blankets in early November. She is a Speech & Language Pathology major from Erie, Pa. Emma was pleased with the idea of putting the blankets in the gift shop to support the mission and work of the Auxiliary. See page 17 for more information about the Colby Bistro Gift Shop.

Loads of lap robes were made and donated by church groups in partnership with Hadley Presbyterian Church.

Annual Blanket Donation Delivered by long-time St. Paul’s supporters

The Good Samaritan Fellowship Class, a group of dedicated St. Paul’s supporters, recently delivered 120 handmade fleece blankets for Christmas gifts for residents at St. Paul’s. Since the ministry began in 2009, the small group of volunteers have made nearly 1,500 blankets for the residents at St. Paul’s.

Director of Annual Giving Teresa Findley (left) and Good Samaritan Fellowship member William Goodlander of Venus, Pa., display a few of the blankets in front of The Heritage.

Dawn Hartman, Director of Strategic Giving (left) and Director of Volunteer Services Wendy Vaughn are awed at the number of blankets filling up an apartment on the first floor of The Heritage. They will be sorted and gifted to new residents at Christmas.
Policy on gifts and gratuities

While residents, clients and family members often wish to show their appreciation for the care and services rendered by St. Paul’s staff, St. Paul’s must ensure that residents, clients and family members do not feel obligated to give St. Paul’s or its staff gifts or gratuities in order to assure a resident or client receives quality care. In order to comply with this policy St. Paul’s has set forth the following guidelines:

1. Employees may not ask or suggest that a resident or client, or any person acting on behalf of a resident or client should offer or give gifts or gratuities to St. Paul’s staff.

2. Employees may not accept cash or currency of any kind, including but not limited to tips from any source or individual. Employee bonuses and/or gifts provided by St. Paul’s do not constitute gifts or gratuities.

3. Employees may only accept non-cash gifts that do not exceed $10.00, and/or are shared by the whole staff. In order to be considered a non-cash gift, the gift cannot be converted to currency.

Opportunities for Gifts of Appreciation to Staff

Many residents, clients and families often ask how they can give back and say “Thank You” to the staff who have provided excellent care to their loved ones while living at St. Paul’s. These three funds give you the opportunity to do so:

1. A donation may be made to the Staff Appreciation Fund. This fund enables St. Paul’s to recognize all staff. (i.e., to provide staff apparel, staff appreciation picnics, or gift cards for various occasions.)

2. A donation can be made to the Staff Education Fund. You can define the education opportunity or leave it to the administrator’s discretion.

3. A donation of appreciation can be made to the Annual Staff Christmas Celebration. This donation can be given to the administrator or director and identified for the Staff Christmas Celebration and will be used to offset the cost and for staff gifts the night of the party.

If you would like to make a donation to staff for anything outside of these three funds, please see your administrator or director to talk about specifics.

Employees may not accept individual gifts, cash or currency of any kind from a resident or family member. We appreciate your support of these guidelines in order for us to remain compliant with regulations and our corporate compliance policies.

Bedtime Stories are Back!

Stay tuned to our Facebook page throughout the month of December as we post videos of residents, staff and family members reading holiday-themed stories.

Be sure to follow our page – St. Paul’s Senior Living Community – and “Like” and “Share” the posts with your friends!

Our community hopes to share holiday bedtime stories with children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren all across the country!
December Bible Study
~ Nativity Scripture Songs ~

The Gospel-writer Luke’s gift to the world is an extensive Christmas narrative which includes the annunciation to Mary of the conception of Jesus, the annunciation of the birth of John the Baptist, the annunciation to the shepherds of the birth of the Christ Child, and the baby’s eventual and customary presentation at the Temple.

Each of these events has a Scripture Song attached to it, known in the Church by their Latin names: the Magnificat for “My soul magnifies the Lord” (Luke 1: 47-56); the Benedictus for “Blessed be the Lord” (Luke 1: 67-79); the song of the angels (Luke 2: 14); and the Nunc Dimittus for “Lord, now you let your servant go in peace” (Luke 2: 29-32). Across our Bible Studies during the month of December we will look at (and sing!) versions of each of these Scripture Songs.

Join us in The Community Room at The Colony on Wednesday, December 1 at 2:30 p.m.
in the Anderson Fellowship Hall at The Heritage on Wednesdays at 1 p.m.
in Harmony Hall at The Ridgewood on Thursdays at 10 a.m.
Newcomers are always welcome!

We rejoice that across the course of the past year the Spiritual Council at St. Paul’s has made the following charitable disbursements from offering monies received:

~ Winter 2021 ~
$400 to the Tunnels to Towers Foundation
$400 to the Community Food Bank of Western PA

~ Spring 2021 ~
$200 each to local park projects ongoing in Greenville

~ Summer 2021 ~
$300 to the Good Shepherd Center
$300 to the Walk to End Alzheimer’s

~ Fall 2021 ~
$150 to the Salvation Army
$150 to the Resident Christmas Appeal
$150 to the Good Samaritan Fund
$150 to the Reynolds School District After-School Program

We thank those who have contributed offerings that enable us to share a total of $2400 with those in need. Along with our donations, we offer our prayers for those served by these local aid organizations during the holiday season and throughout the year.
A Message from Pastor Julia

The Rev. Dr. Henry Van Dyke was somewhat of a Renaissance man when he hit the prime of his life about 100 years ago. The son of a Presbyterian minister in New York City, Van Dyke went to seminary and became ordained himself. He additionally earned a Ph.D. in English Literature and taught at Princeton University. He wrote religious poetry (the hymn text, “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”); short stories (“The Other Wise Man” published by Harper Brothers in 1896); and many other secular works. He was appointed by President Woodrow Wilson to serve as Ambassador to the Netherlands and Luxembourg during World War I and carried out that charge with distinction. Somewhere in the midst of all this commendable service to Church and world, Henry Van Dyke wrote this Christmas prayer which, I think, continues to give voice to the needs of our present era.

O Father in Heaven, the holy day of joy returns to crown another year with peace and good will. Help us rightly to remember the birth of Jesus, that we may share in the song of the angels, the gladness of the shepherds, and the worship of the wise men. Close the doors of hate and open the doors of love all over the world. Let kindness come with every gift and good desires with every greeting. Deliver us from evil, by the blessing that Christ brings, and teach us to be merry with clean hearts. May the Christmas morning make us happy to be your children, and may the Christmas evening bring us to rest with grateful thoughts, forgiving and forgiven, for Jesus’ sake. Amen

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE
FOR DECEMBER 2021

The Villas services will be broadcast at 10 a.m. on Channel 1851

In-person worship will be held each Sunday for Heritage residents at 9 a.m. in the Anderson Fellowship Hall; for Villas residents at 10 a.m. in Headland Friendship Commons; and for Ridgewood residents at 11 a.m. in Harmony Hall.

At this time, guidelines do not allow visitors to join in resident activities. Whenever that changes, we will be able to welcome outside guests to weekly worship services.

Sunday, December 5 — The Second Sunday of Advent
Pastor Julia Fraser preaching and presiding

Sunday, December 12 – The Third Sunday of Advent
Pastor Nathan Seckinger preaching and presiding

Sunday, December 19 — The Fourth Sunday of Advent
Pastor Julia Fraser preaching and presiding

– CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES – FRIDAY, DEC. 24 –

What a difference a year makes! We are thrilled to be able to schedule three in-person Christmas Eve services at St. Paul’s this year, according to the schedule below:

Worship in The Villas at 10 a.m. with Holy Communion and special music
Worship at The Heritage at 1 p.m. with Holy Communion and special music
Worship at The Ridgewood at 3 p.m. with Holy Communion

Sunday, December 26 — The First Sunday After Christmas
Pastor Nathan Seckinger preaching and presiding
All residents should tune to Channel 1851 for movies, church services and any other internal broadcasts. This channel has been reserved by Spectrum for use internally by campuses like St. Paul’s, and is not used for regular programming, which alleviates any potential signal interference.

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Colony residents are invited to a community Christmas worship service on Thursday, December 9 in the Keifer Community Room at 4 p.m.

Special pre-service, anthem, and postlude music will be provided by Carol Hosmer and Nancy Sayles who will play duets on mountain dulcimers.

We rejoice in the ability to gather in-person this year in celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ!
Happenings at The Heritage for December 2021

Wednesday, Dec. 1
Holiday Craft, 10 a.m.

Thursday, Dec. 2
Christmas Movie & Snacks, 2 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 7
Christmas Tree Land Video & Music, 2 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 9
Christmas Carol Trivia, 10 a.m.
Music from “Take 2,” 1 - 2 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 10
Christmas Craft, 10 a.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 14
Christmas Craft, 2 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 16
Holiday Trivia, 10 a.m.

Friday, Dec. 17
Sing-A-Long with KIT, 10 a.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 21
Holiday Sip & Paint, 2 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 23
Christmas Reminiscing, 10 a.m.

Friday, Dec. 31
New Year’s Eve Party

December Birthday
13 - Carrie Shapona
17 - Robert Becker
22 - Nancy Marts
23 - Bryda Zahniser
26 - Condit North
30 - Sam Gano

Join the fun in the Anderson Fellowship Hall in December!

Mondays & Fridays
1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Wednesdays
2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Therapy Dog visits every Tuesday at 10 a.m.

• Sunday Worship Service at 9 a.m. in Anderson Fellowship Hall.

• Movers and Shakers Exercise Classes Monday through Saturday at 9:30 a.m.

• Wednesday Bible Study with Pastor Julia at 1:30 p.m. in Anderson Fellowship Hall.

• Wednesday Mid-Week Worship Service with Pastor Nathan at 6:30 p.m. on Ch 1851.

• BINGO, Manicures, Simple Crafts, Skee Ball, Brain Games, Special Snacks and other activities...to be announced.

• Like puzzles? Check out the daily puzzle working in the floor lounges.

500 Card Games may be played in Anderson Fellowship Hall. See Michele Miranda in Heritage Life Enrichment, if you would like to play.
Activities on the Circle & Lane

- Morning activities include: movies & TV, coloring, socializing, puzzles, games, cards
- Resident manicures every week for both JSL & JSC
- Exercise Therapy w/ Ron Ashbaugh every Tuesday for JSL and Thursday for JSC
- Weekly salon visits for both JSL & JSC
- Church Service broadcast (Channel 1851) every Sunday morning and Wednesday evening
- Music Therapy w/ Cindy Legwaila every Wednesday for both JSL and JSC
- Weekly bird watching and aviary care
- Bi-Monthly popcorn/ice cream/cookie baking socials
- Weekly sing-alongs and music appreciation
- Weekend movie matinees
- Furry Friends from Strayhaven
- Weekly Special Activities
  - Piano playing and music appreciation
  - Cooking/baking and tasting
  - Horseshoes and Cornhole Toss

Faith & Fellowship

A Faith and Fellowship Gathering with residents of Jones Serenity Circle and Lane — with a Christmas twist!

**Tuesday, December 14**
Residents will share devotions, Holy Communion, carol-singing and a sweet treat with Pastor Julia and Pastor Nathan.

**December is a month filled with music on the Circle & Lane!**

- **Friday, Dec. 3** – Carla McKrell (piano)
- **Monday, Dec. 6** – Greg VanValien (piano)
- **Friday, Dec. 17** – Basement Band Duo (guitar)
- **Monday, Dec. 20** – Take 2 (guitar)
- **Tuesday, Dec. 21** – Alissa Pesavento (harp)

**Thursday, Dec. 23**
Residents will decorate Christmas Cookies

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**Saturday, Dec. 25** – Merry Christmas! Let’s open Christmas presents!

iPads are still available for virtual visits using

**FaceTime and ZOOM.**

Cell phones and bluetooth speakers are also available at all residences to help connect residents with their loved ones.

Please contact Life Enrichment to schedule a virtual visit.
Resident of the Month
Annette “Dolly” Minckler

Annette “Dolly” Farina Minckler is the daughter of Ralph and Mary Farina. She had five siblings: Ruth, Andrew, Samuel, David and Daniel. Dolly was born and raised in the Bronx, NY where she attended high school and Central Commercial Business School. Dolly then embarked upon a long and rewarding career in banking. Her first job was with First National Bank.

Dolly married Alvin Minckler. They were happily married for 50 years and had one son, Ralph, who is deceased. Dolly and Alvin did a great deal of traveling to exciting destinations such as Israel, Europe, Italy, Alaska and of course New York City. Dolly enjoys listening to music and spending time with her family and friends. Her favorite foods are pasta and pizza, and her most cherished memory is the birth of her son and marrying her dear husband, Alvin. Dolly's favorite sport is baseball and favorite team is the NY Yankees.

Dolly is devoted to her church, Christian Assembly and is a leader in Women’s Ministry Group at her church.

December Activities at The Ridgewood

Wednesday, Dec. 1 – Hymn Sing with Robin McLaughlin, 1 p.m.
Christmas Decorating (300 Hall)

Friday, Dec. 3 – Christmas Decorating (400 Hall)
Chili and Baked Good Sale, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Errand Day, 1 - 3 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 4 – National Cookie Day
Christmas Decorating

Monday, Dec. 6 – Birthday Luncheon
Manicures, 1 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 7 – Nancy Manning, 5:30 p.m.
Bus ride to see Christmas lights

Wednesday, Dec. 8 – Personal Shopping, 1 p.m.
Christmas Cards Day

Thursday, Dec. 9 – Resident Council

Friday, Dec. 10 – Christmas Movie and Popcorn

Monday, Dec. 13 – Poetry Reading with Glenn Sadler, 1 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 14 – Food Committee Meeting, 1 p.m.
Dan Hogan Concert, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 15 – National Cupcake Day
Reindeer Toss Game, 1 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 17 – Christmas Movie and Popcorn
Errand Day, 1 - 3 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 20 – Manicures, 1 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 21 – Singing Christmas Carols, 10 a.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 22 – Christmas Trivia, 1 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 24 – Christmas Party, 10 a.m.
Christmas Eve Service, 3 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 25 – MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Monday, Dec. 27 – Loaded Questions Game

Tuesday, Dec. 28 – Gaither’s Homecoming Christmas Video

Wednesday, Dec. 29 – Headlines of 2021

Friday, Dec. 31 – New Year’s Eve Party

Regularly scheduled activities include: Daily Exercise, Music Therapy on Wednesdays, Bible Study on Thursdays, Bingo on Saturdays and Ice Cream Cart on Sundays.

The Errands Bus will go out the first and third Friday of every month. Personal Shopping will be on the second Wednesday.
~ December 2021 Activities and Special Events at The Villas ~

Just a reminder: When residents are out and about, please ensure current Infection Control Guidelines are being followed as well as Foot Pedal regulation.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3 – MY FAVORITE THINGS “Raindrops on roses and whiskers on kittens, bright copper kettles and warm woolen mittens, brown paper packages tied up with strings...these are a few of my favorite things!” Wear one of your favorite things this day and join us at 2 p.m. in the HFC for Christmas Music with Carla McCrell!

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10 — CLAD IN CHRISTMAS PLAID Did you know? “Tartans are weaves of alternating bands woven at right angles, while “plaid” originally referred to the heavy woolen clothes that bore this pattern. Scots would use them as blankets or would sling them over their shoulders.” Scots wore their tartan plaid at Yuletide festivities during the cold winter months. (www.stitchfix.com). It's not a fad, wear your plaid! At 2 p.m., The Basement Band Duo will be playing a variety of Christmas favorites in the HFC!

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15 — THE VILLAS ANNUAL “CHRISTMAS TEA” In the neighborhoods, enjoy the Christmas Spirit today with fine food during this lunch hour Celebration of the Season! Neighborhoods may refine plans for their specific holiday style.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17 - TIS’ THE SEASON TO BE JOLLY We will be getting together to sing familiar carols and spreading cheer this day! “Shout and sing for joy, city of Zion, because the holy one of Israel is great among you.” Isaiah 12:6 Make sure to wear your Christmas Spirit! Interesting Christmas related trivia: The X in X-mas is the Greek letter “chi” meaning Christ and Mas meaning Mass. The first Salvation Army collection kettle took place in San Francisco’s Oakland Ferry at the foot of Market Street. It was a large crab pot with a sign that read “keep the pot boiling.” When the Candy Cane was invented in Germany, it was made into a “J” for Jesus. The red stripes symbolize his blood. Toys for Tots was founded in L.A. – 5,000 toys were collected during the first drive in 1947. A handmade doll was the first donation. (www.berries.com)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23 — Join us for a reading of “Twas the Night Before Christmas” at 2 p.m.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24 — CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE 10 a.m. in the HFC. Live Music, Candlelight Service. In the afternoon, expect a Christmas Eve visit from Santa and his helpers as they make their way through The Villas! Wear Christmas colors!

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25 — CHRISTMAS DAY “Christmas is most truly Christmas when we celebrate it by giving the light of love to those who need it most.” ~ Ruth Carter Stapleton Merry Christmas and a Hopeful New Year to all!

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31 – NEW YEAR’S EVE! Baby New Year is ready to ring in 2022! At 2 p.m., we will have a New Year’s Party in the HFC with music by Mike Leslie. Come and help us Count Down to the New Year. The color green mainly symbolizes growth, rebirth, nature and harmony. Let’s all wear the color green!

Regularly Scheduled Activities
- Sunday – Church Service @ 10 a.m.
- Tuesday – BINGO @ 6:45 p.m.
- Wednesday – Music Therapy & Midweek Service @ 6:30 p.m.
- Thursday – Rosary @ 10:30 a.m.
- Saturday – BINGO @ 1:45 p.m.
- Mass is held on the first Wednesday of each month @ 10 a.m.
- Resident Council is held on the 4th Tuesday of each month @ 10 a.m.
- Birthday Lunch is held on the 4th Tuesday of each month.
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~December 2021 Activities at The Villas~
Activities will be based on current guidelines. Adaptation will be implemented as indicated.

Wednesday, December 1 – Rosa Parks Day
10 a.m. Music Therapy
10 a.m. Mass
6:30 p.m. Mid-Week Service

Thursday, December 2 – “Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer” sung by cowboy singer/actor, Gene Autry, hit the charts on this day in 1949.
10:30 a.m. Rosary

Friday, December 3 – My Favorite Things
~ Wear Your Favorite Things ~
2 p.m. Carla McCrell (Christmas and Variety)
7 p.m. Friday Night Movie on Ch. 1851

Saturday, December 4 – Cookie Cutter Week
1:45 p.m. BINGO

Sunday, December 5 – Christmas Cards Day
10 a.m. Church Service

Monday, December 6 – Paper Snowflakes Day
1:30 p.m. Bingo Bucks Exchange

Tuesday, December 7 – Christmas Socks Day
Coffee Cart & News Bits
10 a.m. Faith, Fitness and Fun
6:45p.m. BINGO

Wednesday, December 8 – Nutcracker
10 a.m. Music Therapy
6:30 p.m. Mid-Week Service

Thursday, December 9 – Mysteries at the Museum
10:30 a.m. Rosary
View Mysteries on the KIT

Friday, December 10 – Clad in Christmas Plaid
~ Wear Plaid ~
2 p.m. Basement Band Duo (Folk, Oldies/Variety)
7 p.m. Friday Night Movie on Ch. 1851

Saturday, December 11 – Kaleidoscope Day
1:45 p.m. BINGO

Sunday, December 12 – Christmas Coloring Pages
10 a.m. Church Service

Monday, December 13 – Cocoa and Gingerbread Day
Neighborhood Activity

Tuesday, December 14 – Monkey Day
Faith, Fitness and Fun
6:45 p.m. BINGO

Wednesday, December 15 – Christmas Tea at The Villas
10 a.m. Music Therapy
Autumn and Mocha Kitty Visit
Villas Christmas Tea
6:30 p.m. Mid-Week Service

Thursday, December 16 – Ugly Sweater or Shirts Day
10:30 a.m. Rosary

Friday, December 17 – Tis’ the Season to be Jolly
~ Wear Your Christmas Spirit ~
Christmas Carols and Cheer
7 p.m. Friday Night Movie on Ch. 1851

Saturday, December 18 – Buddy the Elf Day
1:45 p.m. BINGO

Sunday, December 19 – Evergreen Day
10 a.m. Church Service

Monday, December 20 – Celebrate Short Fiction
Neighborhood Activity

Tuesday, December 21 – Winter Solstice
Yuletide Day
10 a.m. Faith, Fitness and Fun
Monthly Birthday Lunch
6:45 p.m. BINGO

Wednesday, December 22 – Merry Pet-Mas
Pets are Family Too Day! (Please follow our Pet Policy)
10 a.m. Music Therapy
6:30 p.m. Midweek Service

Thursday, December 23 – Christmas Reading Day
10:30 a.m. Rosary
2 p.m. “Twas the Night Before Christmas”

Friday, December 24 – Christmas Eve
~ Wear Christmas colors ~
10 a.m. Christmas Eve Service
Live Music and Candlelight Service
Afternoon: Santa and Elves visit The Villas

Saturday, December 25 – Christmas Day
Christmas in the Neighborhoods

Sunday, December 26 – Kwanzaa Begins
Thank You Note Day
10 a.m. Church Service
Monday, December 27 – View the Zoo Day
   Zoo Animals on the KIT

Tuesday, December 28 – Board Games and Cards Day
   10 a.m. Faith, Fitness and Fun
   6:45 p.m. BINGO

Wednesday, December 29 - Birthdate of the Bowling Ball (1862)
   10 a.m. Music Therapy
   2 p.m. Bowling in the HFC
   6:30 p.m. Midweek Service

Thursday, December 30 – Trivia Day
   10:30 a.m. Rosary

Friday, December 31 – New Year’s Eve
~ To a Hopeful New Year, Wear Green ~
   2 p.m. Mike Leslie (Country Classics/Oldies)

December Birthdays at The Villas
   9 - Phyllis Chisholm
   19 - Bertha Heckman
   21 - Nancy Daugherty
   22 - Bonnie Rowe
   22 - Nancy Williams
   25 - Michael Leskovac
   25 - Judith Nashtock
   27 - Lynn McClimans

St. Paul’s is sponsoring a Toy Drive to benefit local families this Christmas season. Please help us spread the spirit of the season by donating a new, unwrapped toy that will bring joy to a local child this Christmas.

* Toys will be collected in the lobby of The Villas until Friday, Dec. 10.

Suggested items for toy donations: baby dolls and baby doll items, action figures, Legos™, art supplies, Matchbox™ cars, board games, Barbie™, Paw Patrol™, Frozen™, Fortnite™, Polly Pocket™, Nerf™ Guns
Our team members strive to provide excellent care and are encouraged to treat others as they would want to be treated. We invite you to recognize staff members who make a difference in life at St. Paul’s.

**Promoting a Culture of Caring & Recognizing our Team Members**


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The Colby Gift Shop will be open for shopping now through January 7. Hours are Monday through Friday 9 to 11 a.m. and 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Saturday hours are flexible according to volunteer availability. Most of the merchandise now on display in the gift shop consists of handcrafted items made by many talented residents in The Colony. The goods were created and/or arranged with the residents of St. Paul’s in mind. All proceeds from the shopping season will support the mission and work of The Auxiliary of St. Paul’s. See you in the shop soon!

The Christmas shopping season is in full-swing! If you are an Amazon shopper, don’t forget you can support St. Paul’s while you shop - without spending any extra money!

Just choose St. Paul’s as your favorite charity, and AmazonSmile will donate a portion of the proceeds from what you buy to St. Paul’s. You will have access to all the same products at the same prices **AND** you’ll help the residents at St. Paul’s. How cool is that!

**To get started:**
2. Click Get Started.
3. Login using your Amazon username and password.
4. Search for “St. Paul Homes Greenville” and click Select.
5. That’s it! Just make sure every time you start shopping you begin at smile.amazon.com and not amazon.com.

**Prefer to shop in the Amazon mobile app?**
1. Follow the directions at the left in a web browser on your computer.
2. Then open the mobile app on your phone.
3. Press Ξ to access the Main Menu. Click Settings.
4. Click AmazonSmile and then follow the directions to change the setting to On.

**Questions?** Please contact Director of Strategic Giving Dawn Hartman in the Charitable Giving Office at 724-589-4611.
The campus is ready for the season and covered in festive lighted trees thanks to the Greenville Lions Club and their current fundraiser. The group is selling the seasonal tree kits, and volunteers were on campus several weeks ago assisting with setting them up all over campus. Trees have been installed outside all of our main buildings and can be seen throughout the neighborhood in The Colony.
Pictured, left to right are Greenville Lions Club members: John Moore, Jim Kohlmeyer, Dan DeWeese (front), Bryan Oros and Paul Evans who attended the Light Up Night at The Colony on Nov 22.

Making Spirits Bright!

Christmas is just around the corner and is the perfect time to make spirits bright for the residents at St. Paul’s. This past year and a half has been difficult because of the ongoing restrictions due to the pandemic.

You can help us bring peace, hope, joy and love to the residents this Christmas by making a gift to St. Paul’s annual resident Christmas Appeal. Your generosity will ensure a Christmas gift for all residents at The Villas, The Heritage and The Ridgewood. For some, this could be the only gift they receive. Any additional money raised will go toward resident “wish list” items for all residents to enjoy throughout the year.

To donate, you can scan the QR code below or send in a check made out to “St. Paul’s” to The Charitable Giving Office at 341 E. Jamestown Rd. Greenville, PA 16125. For questions please contact Teresa Findley, Director of Annual Giving at 724-588-7610 ext. 1237 or tfindley@sp1867.org. Thank you in advance for your support! Merry Christmas!
Gift Certificates for St. Paul’s Without Walls services make perfect gifts!

Redeemable for any Without Walls services: Companion & Care Partner Fees, On-the Go-Dining Meals, Philips Lifeline products

For more information or to purchase, contact the WOW office at 724-589-4740.

Do you know someone who might need extra help with: Housekeeping? Holiday decorating? Shopping for gifts? Gift wrapping?
Without Walls Gift Certificates will cover those needs, too!

What could be better than giving the gift of care?
Sending warm wishes this December from your St. Paul’s Family