



December 1, 2024

Tidings

St. Paul's Lutheran Church 120 N. Easton Road Glenside, PA 19038

Serving This Morning

Presiding: Pastor Henrik Sonntag

Acolytes: 8:00 Gabe Picado
10:30 Lewis Ritter

Assisting Ministers:
8:00 Vicar Daniel Marrone, Alix Davatzes
10:30 Vicar Daniel Marrone, Glenn Rall,

Musicians:
Rae Ann Anderson, music director



Greeter/Usher

8:00 Kathy Kersul-Wiener
10:30 Fred Helbig, Marilyn Kowalick
Flower Delivery: Harry Van Pelt
Hospitality: Karen O'Brien

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Last week's member giving:

\$3, 872.00
Counter: Eileen Rall

Attendance

Sunday	8:00 AM	10:30 AM
In Person:	24	80
YouTube:	16	30
Facebook:	43	60



Flower Dedications

*In celebration of Logan Timothy Albaugh.
In loving memory of Timothy Czerviski.
From the Allen Family*



We would like to welcome new members, Christopher and Colleen Ojeda to St. Paul's. Below is a short biography:

Colleen and I have been married 11 years. We met while working as nurses at the hospital of University of Pennsylvania. We have three daughters, Petra, JoJo, and Frieda. Colleen was raised in a Catholic church and Catholic school

so the lasses were baptized Catholic. I was raised in Immanuel Lutheran in Somerton so St. Paul's feels like home. Petra has been in Sunday School here while attending CCD classes at St. Albert the Great. Ultimately she decided St. Paul's is where she wants to be. St. Paul's is where our family would love to continue our spiritual journey! After two plus years of attending we would like to officially join!

See Pages to Pirouettes' Nutcracker! Hear the enchanting story, then see it come to life in a ballet to the beautiful music of Tchaikovsky. Saturday, **December 14**, at 3 PM, Tickets at the door: \$10/person; children 3 and under free. Ticket includes ice cream social after the performance.



**COOKIES!
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EVERYONE LOVES COOKIES!**

Sign up sheets for baking, packing and buying are in the Great Room. Cookie sales this year will be **Sunday, December 15** after both services. All proceeds will be donated to the Pastor's discretionary fund. We sold out

the last two years, so if you would like cookies, be sure to sign up to reserve yours. Baked cookies can be dropped off the evening of **Thursday, December 12** between 5:00-7:00 PM. Come join the fun of packing cookies on Friday, **December 13** at 4:00 PM. If you have a cookie tin from last year, please return it to the bin under the coat rack in the Great Room. Contact Vickie MacMillan with any questions at Vickie.MacM@gmail.com or text or call 215-384-5622.



RECYCLE YOUR HOLIDAY LIGHTS

Do you have a pile of old holiday lights that are beyond hope? Recycle them! **A Better Way Recycling** can turn them into roofing and construction materials, piping, car batteries, other

electronics, lead wheel weights, flatware, jewelry and more. Here's what to do: take your (unbagged) lights to Mom's Organic Market (925 Easton Rd., Abington PA 19001, 267-341-1550) and put them in the marked bin near the front entrance. You can also contact Janet Bischoff, and she will deliver your lights to Mom's. Call her at 215-543-0494 to make arrangements. Mom's is accepting old holiday lights from now until **January 31**. Nationally, Mom's customers diverted 17 tons of holiday lights from the landfill last year! This is a good way of caring for creation, and we're grateful for the opportunity to join in.



If you have greeting cards you can donate to St. Paul's Card Ministry, please place them in the basket provided on the table outside the pastor's sacristy. We are now serving 20 members unable to be at worship with us at this time. If you know of a member of the congregation who would benefit from receiving a monthly card (on a temporary or long-term basis), please be in touch with Kathleen Breuer (215-887-1388) or breuer613@gmail.com). Your help with this ministry is greatly appreciated.



PRAYER MINISTRY

The Prayer Ministry Team meets monthly to pray for people and situations. Prayer requests are kept confidential. Please be in touch with Marlen Livezey to make a request or to update the status of a person for whom you have requested prayers.



We're excited to invite members of our congregation to take on a leadership role in our upcoming Small Group Emphasis! We're looking for volunteers to head up groups that can run for just 3 to 4 weeks—perfect for trying out new ideas without a long-term commitment. Consider leading a book

club, a cooking workshop, or a community service project, or even starting a fitness group. Your unique interests and passions can help foster connections within our church family. If you're interested in leading a group, see Pastor Sonntag.



Join us for Carols around the fireplace on Sunday, December 1, at 9:15 AM, in between the two services. Paul Kinsey will lead us in song as we come together in Christmas spirit and celebrate the season in song.



Thank you to everyone who signs the greeting cards sent to members of the congregation unable to worship with us in person. Thank you as well for the generous donation of cards to be used in this ministry. If you have cards to donate, please place them in the basket provided on the table outside the pastor's sacristy. There is an ongoing need for "thinking of you" and blank cards; however — birthday, Christmas and get-well cards are not needed at this time. Your partnership in this ministry of the Lois Circle is greatly appreciated.



Belated happy birthday wishes to both Marie and Richard Woodring. Marie's birthday was November 7 and Richard's birthday was November 28. Though Marie and Richard reside in Connecticut, they continue to join us faithfully online every Sunday.



We are now taking Poinsettia orders. Please use the insert in your bulletin and return to the office or place your order on our website. For our tech lovers, feel free to use the QR code here:

Orders are due by Monday, December 16.



If you have someone on the prayer list whose prayers have been answered, please let the office know.

IN OUR Thoughts and Prayers

Betsy Ahlum
Rodney Barnhart
Martha Baum
Betty Bortmann
Fr. Joe Brandt
Robert Breuer
Claudette Brown
Conrad Bush
Jean Cristaldi
Leslie D.
Jerome & David
Dr. Steven Deets
Peggy Donlon
Angela Giordano
Roselee Feinour
Peter di Filippi
Kathy DiSandro
Flossie F. & Gloria F.
Mario F.
Tom Finney
Leona Finney
Rina Fresnak
Chad Friedman
Glasgow/McDermott family
John Gillespie
Jenna Gresko

Earl H.
Jill Hamilton
Arlene Hayes
Charmaine Hoff
Oscar Hoffmann
Bernard & Barbara Hoffman
Sonja Ingebristen
John
Cathy Keim
Thubi Kolmobe
Tom Lackman
Linda Landes
Sandra Ellis-Killian
Boaz Lazarus-Klein
Carol Lange
Zach Lean
Anita Lukach
Joe Lukach
Sue and John
McLaughlin
Gwendolyn Neveil
Ariella Notarianni
Nancy O'Conner
Dr. Michael Pladus
Deborah Pancoe
Scott Robinson

Robertson/Fragale family
Jerry Rogowski
Robert Rumnoek
Toby Sauer
Mary Ann Saurman
Barbara Sheppard
Sarah Schumaker
Brad Schutt
Mary Sims
Annabelle Sittler
Richard Sittler
Paul Slojewski
Stephanie Smith
Lucille Stimmel
Jane Storm
Rachel Stube
Grace Stumpf
Pastor Karl Stumpf
Jerry Sutliff
David Van Pelt
Harry Van Pelt
William W.
Don Wolf
Jenn Wetzel
Richard Woodring
Marie Woodring



Private First Class
Carson Campbell



The family and loved ones of Jeanne Lewis
The family and loved ones of Alice and Umberto Mariani



An animal can make a world of difference for a family in need. It can provide food to eat, fertilizer to grow crops and offspring to sell at the market. With a gift to God's Global Barnyard, an ECLA Good Gifts initiative, you can make a difference by helping a family escape the cycle of hunger and poverty. Choose a gift that means the most to you or give one honoring a loved one or friend.

(Some gift choices follow.) Whatever your gift, it will give struggling families hope for a better future!

CHICKS - When chicks grow up to become chickens, their eggs not only provide an ongoing supply of protein-rich meals but can also help start a small business and generate a steady source of income.

ROOSTER - Adding a rooster to a chicken coop helps a farm grow! More chickens on the farm mean more eggs to eat and to sell at the market.

HONEYBEES - Honeybees provide honey to eat and beeswax to transform into handcrafted soaps and candles, allowing a farmer to start a small business selling these products. And as an added bonus, bees boost crop growth on the farm by pollinating plants.

PIGLET - This gift is a source of natural fertilizer, helping a family's crops grow. If need be, a pig can be sold at the marketplace with the funds used to pay school fees for children or to cover an emergency trip to the clinic.

GOAT - Goats can go where other animals can't, surviving in some of the world's most challenging terrain and unreliable climates. Fresh milk from a goat provides daily nutrition for families. Goats are also incredibly quick to reproduce, providing an opportunity for families to pass the gift on to others.

SHARE OF A COW - One dairy cow can produce a few gallons of milk each day, providing a calcium-packed source of nutrition for growing children. A family can start a small business selling extra milk, cheese, yogurt, butter, and more.

There are several ways to give -

- Through this congregation ... by placing your gift in the offering plate, by mailing it to St. Paul's, or by donating via St. Paul's website. Please designate your gift as "God's Global Barnyard." (Checks payable to St. Paul's Lutheran Church.)
- Online to ELCA: <https://goodgifts.elca.org>
- By phone to ELCA: 800-638-3522
- By mail to ELCA: Evangelical Lutheran Church in America P.O. Box 1809 Merrifield, VA 22116-8009 (Checks payable to Evangelical Lutheran Church in America)

Visit the display in the Great Room throughout December for more information, order forms, etc.

Any questions can be directed to Dot Sutton (dsutton222@comcast.net).

Give a gift that shares the Christmas spirit and changes a life!
What better and more meaningful way is there to remember and celebrate God's greatest gift to you?

~~~ GOOD WORKS TEAM ~~~



Dear St. Paul's Family,

We are pleased to announce that St. Paul's will once again be partnering with Lutheran Settlement House to help spread joy to families in need during the holiday season. We will be collecting new items and gift cards for this giving event.

A list of gift ideas for children and adults is on the display table at the Roberts Avenue entrance. Please place your unwrapped purchases in the receptacles provided through **December 8**. Thank you for your continued support in spreading God's love to our extended community. If you have any questions, please contact Jane Kinsey at 215-672-9311 / [jbarkin58@verizon.net](mailto:jbarkin58@verizon.net)

Kind Regards,  
The Good Works Team

## WEEKLY Sneak Peek

| Sunday                                                                                                                                                                                                | Monday | Tuesday                                                                           | Wednesday                                                                                             | Thursday                                                                                                                                                        | Friday | Saturday |
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| <b>Sunday 12/1/24</b><br><b>First Sunday of Advent</b><br>8:00 AM The Eucharist<br>9:15 AM Sunday School<br>9:15 AM Youth Singers<br>9:15 AM Carols Around the Fireplace GR<br>10:30 AM The Eucharist |        | <b>Tuesday 12/3/24</b><br>10:30 AM Staff Meeting 200<br>7:30 PM Prayerful Yoga GR | <b>Wednesday 12/4/24</b><br>7:00 PM Lydia Circle GR<br>7:30 PM Ringers CR<br>7:30 PM Confirmation 200 | <b>Thursday 12/5/24</b><br>5:00 PM Simple Supper/Kid's Club<br>5:30 PM Cherub Choir<br>6:00 PM Children's Choir<br>7:00 PM Girl Scouts<br>7:30 PM Chancel Choir |        |          |

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| <b>Sunday 12/8/24</b><br><b>Second Sunday of Advent</b><br>8:00 AM The Eucharist<br>9:15 AM Sunday School<br>9:15 AM Youth Singers<br>9:15 AM Adult Education 200<br>10:30 AM The Eucharist |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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Please feel free to reach out to any of the staff with questions, concerns or general inquiries.

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