



December 22, 2024

Tidings

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

Serving This Morning

Presiding: Pastor Henrik Sonntag

Acolytes: 8:00 Jason LoMaistro
10:30 Addy Pratt

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

Musicians:
Rae Ann Anderson, music director, Susie Pierce Mills, piano,
AnnaLisa Mariani, violin



Greeter/Usher

8:00 Janet Bischoff
10:30 Marilyn Kowalick, Fred Helbig
Flower Delivery: Marilyn Kowalick
Hospitality: Karen O'Brien

Last week's member giving:

\$2,468.00
Counter: Eileen Rall

Attendance

Sunday	10:30 AM
8:00 AM	
In Person: 30	70
YouTube: 20	24
Facebook 39	40

To Donate, scan the QR code



Flower Dedications

Flowers are available for January



COOKIES! COOKIES! COOKIES!

Thank you to everyone who made our cookie sale such a wonderful success. A special thank you to our cookie coordinator Vickie MacMillan with guidance from Marlen Livezey. Thank you

to all of our wonderful bakers and packers for making this annual tradition such a special treat for all of St. Paul's!



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.



Annual reports from all staff, council and committee members, circles, ministries and groups (including but not limited to Oktoberfest, Social Ministry, Sunday School, Fair Trade, Financial Secretary, Memorial Garden, etc.) are due on Friday, January 17, 2025 in order for the document to be compiled

and published at least three weeks prior to the upcoming congregational meeting. Not sure if you need to do one or what to include? Please note that submissions may be edited for grammar and syntax errors, and formatting for continuity throughout the report.

Contact Chris at the office at 215-844-3005 or cgarcia@stpaulsglenside.org for a copy of last year's report.



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.



We invite all members of our congregation to join us in **decorating the church for Christmas on Saturday, December 21, at 9 AM.** This is a wonderful

opportunity to come together as a community and help prepare our church for the Christmas season. Your time and talents will make our sanctuary even more beautiful for the holidays. We look forward to seeing you there!



Christmas Eve Worship

SERVICES:

December 24th

4:30 PM FAMILY CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

9:00 PM PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

9:30 PM CANDLELIGHT SERVICE with Communion

Sunday, December 29 - ONE SERVICE at 9:30 AM

AJIBOLA RIVERS PRESENTS
THE NEXT SIX PART III
A FREE CONCERT WITH FREE-WILL OFFERING
DECEMBER 29th at 4:30 PM
ST PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
120 N EASTON ROAD, GLENSIDE, PA 19038

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 Jeremy Birnbaum 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 Filippo Kathy DiSandro Flossie F. & Gloria F. Mario F. Tom Finney Leona Finney Rina Frosnak 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 Nevell Ariella Notarianni Nancy O'Conner Dr. Michael Pladus Deborah Pancoe	Scott Robinson Robertson/Fragale family Jerry Rogowski Robert Rumnock Toby Sauer Mary Ann Saurman Barbara Sheppard Sarah Schumaker Brad Schutt Mary Sims Annabelle Sittler Richard Sittler Paul Siojewski 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 Wetzell Richard Woodring Marie Woodring
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Private First Class
Carson Campbell



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



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** ~~~

# WEEKLY Sneak Peek

**Sunday 12/22/24**  
**Fourth Sunday of Advent**  
 8:00 AM The Eucharist  
 9:15 AM Sunday School  
 9:15 AM Youth Singers  
 9:15 AM Adult Education  
 10:30 AM The Eucharist  
 12:00 PM Children's Choir Practice

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**Tuesday 12/24/24**  
**Christmas Eve**  
 4:30 PM Family Candlelight Service  
 9:00 PM Pre-Service Music  
 9:30 PM Candlelight Service

**Wednesday 12/25/24**  
**Christmas Day**  
 Office Closed

**Thursday 12/26/24**  
 Office Hours 9:00-Noon

**Friday 12/27/24**  
 Office Hours 9:00-Noon

**Sunday 12/29/24**  
**First Sunday of Christmas**  
 9:30 AM Lessons and Carols  
 4:30 PM Solo Cello Concert

Nave

Please feel free to reach out to any of the staff with questions, concerns or general inquiries.

### Contacts

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