



May 4, 2025

# Tidings

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

## Serving This Morning

**Presiding:** Pastor Henrik Sonntag

**Acolytes:** 8:00 AM Austin Reiff  
10:30 AM Izzy Pratt

### Assisting Ministers:

8:00 AM Vicar Daniel Marrone, Janet Bischoff  
10:45 AM Vicar Daniel Marrone, Leslie Maxwell

### Musicians:

Rae Ann Anderson, music director



### Greeter/Usher

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

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**Last week's member giving:**  
\$5,009.00

**Counter:** Eileen Rall

### Attendance: Sunday

8:00 AM	10:30 AM
In Person: 30	45
YouTube: 20	22
Facebook 34	78

## Flower Dedications

*Given by Kathleen and Bob Breuer in thanksgiving for our son-in-law, Joe Noga; and our grandchildren, Steve Noga and Jessica Messick for their birthdays this month. Also given by Kathleen Breuer in thanksgiving for her husband, Bob, on his 89th birthday this month.*



## Messenger Deadline

**Reminder** If you would like to submit an article to our monthly newsletter, please send it to [cgarcia@stpaulsglenside.org](mailto:cgarcia@stpaulsglenside.org) no later than the third Monday of every month. Articles for the June Messenger are due **May 19**.

## FAITH IN ACTION – in action!

We extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who participated in the event bagging menstrual hygiene kits on April 27. Special thanks to Lilly Davatzes for securing a Faith in Action grant to address the critical but often overlooked issue of "period poverty." Your leadership and compassion are truly inspiring!

Thanks to you, we were able to assemble menstrual hygiene kits that will be distributed through the St. Paul's food pantry and One House at a Time, a nonprofit dedicated to improving the lives of the underserved. These supplies will directly support mothers and families in need -- making a meaningful difference in their daily lives.

We are grateful for our congregation's generosity, energy, and willingness to serve.



**Join us for an engaging discussion on the book "Parenting the Crisis Generation"** by child and adolescent psychiatrist Dr. Jean Young Bai, MD. Bring your questions about parenting or even how to write and publish a book. Everyone is welcome, whether you've read the book or not! The discussion is scheduled for **Sunday, May 18**, at 9:15 AM in Room 200.

## Come sing in The Summer Choir!!

**Have you wondered if the choir is a place for you at St. Paul's?** Do you wonder if you could find that singing voice you had in high school or college? Do you wonder if the music is more inspiring to sing than it is to listen to from the pew? Would you feel at home in the cushioned red choir chairs? To answer these questions come sing in The Summer Choir on **Sunday, May 25 at 8:30 AM**. We will practice from 8:30 to 9:15 -- have a brief coffee break -- and then re-group to lead the summer worship service. It usually involves singing one anthem and leading the Psalm and the liturgy. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Rae Ann Anderson, Director of Music. (215-913-0730)



## Summer Schedule!

Our Summer schedule begins on **Sunday, May 25**. One service will begin at 9:30 AM. We will return to two services in September after Labor Day. Keep an eye on your Tidings for the most recent updates.



## Learning Opportunity — DATE CHANGE!

The Rev. Dr. J. Paul Rajashekar has worn many hats, among them pastor, seminary professor, author, and Executive Secretary for Interfaith Studies and Relations at the Lutheran World Federation, in Geneva, Switzerland. He also happens to be a member of St. Paul's, along with his wife, Pastor Esther Rajashekar!

Dr. Rajashekar has graciously agreed to teach two Sunday morning classes between church services, based on his recent publication entitled *On Being Lutheran – A Concise Introduction to the Lutheran Faith*. **Note: The dates have changed to May 4 and May 11.** Even for those of us steeped in Lutheranism, it can be daunting these days to have a conversation about the word *evangelical* (as in The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America), when the current cultural understanding of that word has acquired so much baggage. A close look at who we are and what we believe is welcome and timely.

*On Being Lutheran* is scholarly yet brief, a handy summary of Lutheran history, theology, worship practices, governance and inclusivity. It provides a global view of the church, including the six ethnic ministries of the ELCA. Copies will be available to participants at no charge. Look for additional information in the Sunday *Tidings* during April. If you would like to attend, please use the sign-up sheet in the Great Room. Or just show up! Everyone is welcome!

## Rummage Sale Thanks!

A huge THANK YOU to everyone who made this year's Rummage Sale a success -- and an extra big shoutout to our amazing volunteers!



From setting up and sorting to selling and cleaning up, your hard work and energy made it all happen. We're so grateful for the time and heart you poured into every step. Thanks also to all who donated and shopped -- what a wonderful weekend of community and purpose! We had a successful sale totaling \$3211.45 plus over 20 bags of clothing went to Boy Scout troop 160's clothing drive.

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	Jill Hamilton	Scott Robinson
Rodney Barnhart	Dick Harrington	Robertson/Fragale family
Martha Baum	Arlene Hayes	Jerry Rogowski
Jeremy Birnbaum	Charmaine Hoff	Rondinelli/Montgomery families
Betty Bortmann	Oscar Hoffmann	Robert Rumnock
Fr. Joe Brandt	Bernard & Barbara Hoffman	Toby Sauer
Robert Breuer	John	Mary Ann Saurman
Claudette Brown	Cathy Keim	Barbara Sheppard
Conrad Bush	Thubi Kolmobe	Brad Schutt
Jean Cristaldi	Tom Lackman	Lois Shores
Leslie D.	Linda Landes	Alicia Simpson
Jerome & David	Sandra Ellis-Killian	Mary Sims
Dr. Steven Deets	Boaz Lazarus-Klein	Annabelle Sitler
Angela Giordano	Carol Lange	Richard Sitler
Roselee Feinour	Zach Lean	Stephanie Smith
Peter di Filippi	Anita Lukach	Lucille Stimmel
Kathy DiSandro	Joe Lukach	Jane Storm
Flossie F. & Gloria F.	Sue and John	Rachel Stube
Tom Finney	McLaughlin	Grace Stumpf
Leona Finney	Larry Miller	Pastor Karl Stumpf
Rina Fresnak	Gwendolyn Neveil	Jerry Sutliff
Chad Friedman	Ariella Notarianni	Jane Vanderliew
Glasgow/McDermott family	Nancy O'Conner	Don Wolf
John Gillespie	Lucas Palumbo	Jenn Wetzel
Jenna Gresko	Dr. Michael Pladus	Wolfgang
Earl H.	Deborah Pancoe	Marie Woodring



Private First Class  
Carson Campbell



The family and loved ones  
Richard Haring

The family and loved ones of  
Richard Woodring

The family and loved ones of  
Mario Federerico



new site makes it easier than ever to stay connected with our church community. We invite you to explore the site, and we'd love to hear your feedback—your thoughts will help us continue improving this online home for our congregation! Visit us at [Stpaulsglenside.org](http://Stpaulsglenside.org)

Exciting News! St. Paul's has a new website! We're thrilled to announce the launch of our brand-new website for St. Paul's! Designed to be more user-friendly and informative, our

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday  
WEEKLY  
Sneak Peek

<b>Sunday, May 4</b>	
8:00 AM The Eucharist	Nave
9:15 AM Adult Education-Being Lutheran	200
9:15 AM Sunday School	
10:30 AM The Eucharist	Nave

<b>Tuesday, May 6</b>	
10:30 AM Staff Meeting	200
7:00 PM Prayerful Yoga	Great Room

<b>Wednesday, May 7</b>	
7:00 PM Lydia Circle	Great Room
7:30 PM Confirmation Class	200
7:30 PM Ringers	

<b>Thursday, May 8</b>	
7:00 PM Girl Scouts	101
7:30 PM Chancel Choir	

<b>Sunday, May 11</b>	
<b>Mother's Day</b>	
8:00 AM The Eucharist	Nave
9:15 AM Adult Education	200
9:15 AM Sunday School	
10:30 AM The Eucharist	Nave

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

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Did you know you can now donate with Venmo?



Support Our Food Pantry – Donations Needed  
Our church food pantry continues to serve many individuals and families in need, and we're asking for your help to keep the shelves stocked. As we enter a season of increased demand, your donations make a direct impact on our neighbors who rely on this ministry.

- We are currently in need of the following items:
- Household Supplies:** Paper towels, toilet paper, dish soap, laundry detergent, trash bags, and cleaning sprays.
  - Toiletries:** Toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, razors, and feminine hygiene products.
  - Shelf-Stable Breakfast Items:** Cereal, oatmeal packets, granola bars, pancake mix, and instant breakfast drinks, etc...
  - Canned Soups & Shelf-Stable Sides:** Canned chili, chicken noodle soup, vegetable soup, rice and pasta sides, macaroni and cheese, and boxed mashed potatoes, etc....
  - Condiments:** Peanut butter, jelly, ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise, hot sauce, and salad dressing, etc...
  - Personal Care Items:** Bar soap, body wash, shampoo, conditioner, lotion, and hand sanitizer.

All donated items should be unopened and within expiration dates. You can drop off your contributions in the collection bin located in the Great Room throughout the week. Thank you for showing the love of Christ through your generosity and support of this vital ministry!