



October 11, 2026

Tidings

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

Serving This Morning

Presiding: Pastor Henrik Sonntag

Acolytes: 8:00 Sophia Ojeda
10:30 Leah Holovachuk

Assisting Ministers:

8:00 Vicar Evan Kodudula, AnnaLisa Mariani

10:30 Vicar Evan Kodudula, Pat Lackman, Jane Kinsey

Greeter/Usher

8:00 Ed and Linda Hayes

10:30 Gretchen Frederick, Ronny Kosempel

Musicians:

Rae Ann Anderson, Music Director

The Chancel Choir



Flower Delivery: Marilyn Kowalick

Hospitality: Karen O'Brien

Last week's member giving:

\$4,225.00

Counter: Mary Anne Allen

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Attendance: Last Sunday

	8:00	10:30
In Person:	39	54
YouTube:	13	27
Facebook	29	62

Flowers are available for October

On October 18, we will welcome new members.
If you are interested, speak to Pastor Sonntag.



Dankeschön! Thank You!

A big thank-you to everyone who helped make our 17th annual Oktoberfest on September 26 a big success! We are so grateful to all who volunteered, attended, donated, and helped before, during, and

after the event. Your support made for a wonderful day of food, music, fun, and fellowship while helping raise funds for Lutheran Disaster Relief. Thank you for being part of this special St. Paul's tradition!

Greetings from your St. Paul's 125th Anniversary team!

Our yearlong commemoration of St. Paul's, "Together in Christ: Remembering, Embracing, Rejoicing—Celebrating 125 Years of Ministry," begins **on Sunday, November 15, 2026, at 4 PM** with a

Hymn Festival featuring organist Andrew Senn. Join us for

scripture, song, sacred readings, and a reception. Invite family and friends! *Questions? Talk to Rae Ann Anderson.*

We're also exploring a community mosaic with local artist Jessica Liddell. We hope members of all ages will help place pieces that reflect our life together. *Have a vision for it? Talk to Ashley Daniels.*

Plans for outreach projects include collecting members' memories of St. Paul's, serving dinners at Hope Lodge, and possibly hosting a free community meal. *Share ideas with Glenn Rall or Jenn O'Rourke.*

Our concluding celebration is planned for Sunday, November 14, 2027, with Rev. Karl Krueger preaching. We're also exploring ways to share St. Paul's history. *Talk to Paul Ziegler if you have ideas.*

And up there is **our new anniversary logo**, designed by Minnesota artist Kathryn Brewer. *Want to get involved? Talk to Henrik Sonntag or Nancy Raabe.*



Nearly 1 in 11 people worldwide—about 720 million—are hungry. In the U.S., more than 47 million people face food insecurity.

ELCA World Hunger works with congregations and partners in more than 60 countries to meet immediate needs and address the causes of

hunger. Gifts to the World Hunger Appeal support food assistance as well as access to clean water, education, health care, and ways to earn a living. Local partners help shape responses that fit their communities.

World Food Day is October 16. This year's theme, "*Innovate today. Nourish tomorrow,*" calls on communities to combine traditional knowledge with new ideas so everyone can access nutritious food.

ELCA World Hunger Appeal gives us all the opportunity to faithfully pursue a just world where all are fed.

Gifts to ELCA World Hunger can be made:

- *online*, at <https://www.ELCA.org/hunger/donate>
- *by mail*, with a check payable to Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, P.O. Box 1809, Merrifield, VA 22116-8009
- *by phone*, at 800-638-3522, Mon – Fri, 8 AM to 5 PM, CT
- *through this congregation*, with a check payable to St. Paul's (noting "ELCA World Hunger" on memo line) or at St. Paul's website's "Misc. Restricted" donate link.

Please also remember the food needs of our local community by continuing to generously stock St. Paul's food pantry. Be sure to regularly check the "Pantry Needs List" inserted in the service bulletin each week!

-- Good Works Team

🌟 **October 11, 2026** — Oktoberfest evaluation meeting in Great Room at 11:45 AM



What's Ahead

🌟 **October 18** — Welcome to new members, 8 AM and 10:30 AM services

🌟 **October 18** — BBQ to welcome back the church choirs, on the patio at noon.

🌟 **October 19** — Deadline for November Messenger articles.

🌟 **October 24** — Last day to submit names for All Saints' Sunday.

🌟 **October 25** — Reformation Sunday services at 8 and 10:30 AM. **Wear red!**

Looking to get rid of stuff or shop for more?

Here is your opportunity!

Donate good, clean, working items for

St. Peter's 2026 Fall Rummage Sale

We accept clothes, tools, household goods, small furniture, sporting goods, books and various media, etc. Also electrical/electronic items if they work.



Donate Sun. Oct.11 thru Wed. Oct.14 and then Shop.....

Thurs. Oct 15 'JUST JEWELRY' Sale 6-8 PM

Friday, Oct 16 6 - 9 PM

Saturday, Oct 17 10 AM - 2 PM

(Sat. \$5 a Bag and Half-Price sale)

St. Peter's Episcopal Church 654 N. Easton Rd.

All proceeds help us help others!

For more info: Contact jacobson@comcast.net



Blessing of the Pets will take place on **Sunday, October 11** at 2:00 PM on the patio. Bring your fur babies, feathered friends, or scaled sweeties for a short service and blessing.

All Saints' Sunday is November 1. Please submit names to be remembered **no later than Friday October 24.**



Messenger Deadline Reminder If you would like to submit an article to our monthly newsletter, please send it to cgarcia@stpaulsglenside.org no later than the third Monday of every month. Articles for November Messenger are due on **Monday, October 19.**

💡 Faith in Action Grants

The St. Paul's Faith in Action Grant Program is now processing applications from members seeking to bring bold, creative ideas to life that serve our community, enhance our church, and strengthen our shared ministry.

Once a project is accepted, it must be completed by December 31 (receipts required for reimbursement).

🌟 Details are available on the St. Paul's website: [2026 Faith in Action – St Paul's Lutheran Church](#)

For more information, contact Kathy Donaldson, Susan Duffy, Leslie Maxwell, or Doug Strachan.

Stewardship Message

Mark your calendars to save the date for **Sunday, November 22, when we will celebrate Consecration Sunday** as we close out the Church year and prepare to enter the Season of Advent.

On Consecration Sunday, we will celebrate Stewardship with guest preacher the Rev. Ric Elliott, the gathering of commitment cards, and a catered luncheon following the 10:30 AM service. Look for a letter in a few weeks with more details.

-- The Stewardship Team



If you are sick, hospitalized, facing a serious health concern, or have experienced a death in the family (or have a loved one who is in the same circumstance), please contact the church office or Pastor Sonntag

directly. We may not always be aware of it unless someone lets us know.

Sharing this information helps us:

- Stay informed
- Offer prayer, support, and pastoral visits.

Our church family is here to walk with you through all seasons of life. Please don't hesitate to reach out to us. We are here to support and care for one another.

St. Paul's

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

K. B. Bassages
Sharon Birkbeck
Robert Breuer
Chris Claypoole
Helen Edelman
Barbara Eumch
Kenneth Feinour III
Roselee Feinour
Julie Gable
Lorraine Gingo
Bruce Hanes
Dick Harrington
Michael Harrington
Barbara Hoffman
Cathy Keim
Thubi Kolmobe
Connie Kowalski
Ceci Krull

Tom Lackman
Linda Landes
Carol Lange
Mike Lavin
Phyllis Livezy
Robin Logan
Mike McCormick
Carole Neithammer
Gwendolyn Neveil
Alicia Simpson
Peg Schumacher
Annabelle Sitler
Richard Sitler
Stephanie Smith
Paul Stadelberger
John Thompson
Fiona Tragemann
Christine Weidner
Hannelore Werner
Victoria White
Anne Zimmerman

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Private First-Class Carson Campbell

IN LOVING MEMORY

The family and loved ones of Mary Scarpello
The family and loved ones of Erika Zimmermann
The family and loved ones of Kathleen DiSandro

Sunday, October 11	
8:00 AM The Eucharist	Nave
9:15 AM Sunday School	
10:30 AM The Eucharist	Nave
11:45 AM Oktoberfest Evaluation Meeting	GR
2:00 PM Blessing of the Pets	Patio

Monday, October 12	
7:30 PM MEM Committee Meeting	200

Tuesday, October 13	
10:00 AM Lois Circle	GR
10:00 AM Chapel	Nave
10:30 AM Staff Meeting	200
6:30 PM Girl Scouts	101
7:00 PM Intern Support Committee Meeting	200
7:00 PM Prayerful Yoga	GR
7:00 PM Cub Scout Pack 48	

Wednesday, October 14	
10:00 AM Chapel	Nave
7:30 PM Confirmation Class	200
7:30 PM Ringers	

Thursday, October 15	
5:00 PM Simple Supper/Kid's Club	
5:30 PM Cherub Choir	
6:00 PM Children's Choir	
6:15 PM Girl Scouts	FH
6:30 PM Girl Scouts	101
7:30 PM Chancel Choir	

Friday, October 16	
9:00 AM Hearts and Hands	200

Saturday October 17	
9:30 AM Hearts and Hands	FH

Sunday, October 18	
NEW MEMBER SUNDAY	
8:00 AM The Eucharist	Nave
9:15 AM Aging Gracefully	200
9:15 AM Sunday School	
10:30 AM The Eucharist/Children's Choir	Nave
12:00 PM Welcome Back Choirs BBQ	Patio

Chancel Reimagined Update:
Feel the Vibrations!

The organ is back! The console is back in place, music director Rae Ann Anderson is front and center, all the organ pipes are installed, and you can feel the low notes shaking! All the music will be accompanied by the pipes!

The digital sound was incorporated into the instrument on September 16. As our music director Rae Ann Anderson says: "It sounds like a pipe organ and not an appliance!"

We also have The Chancel Choir back on the new platforms and in the blue chairs ready to sing for 10:30 services, with The Children's Choir, Youth Singers, and Cherubs on the schedule. Thanks to all who have continued to donate to our three-year, \$500,000 capital campaign to reimagine the chancel, including the music space. The St. Paul's community is delivering, once again.

We're Here for You!

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

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Thank you for being part of our St. Paul's family!

A GREEN SEARCH ENGINE

ECOSIA is a green search engine used by over 20 million people, whose profits are used solely for climate action, with the majority going into tree-planting projects around the world.

When you search on ECOSIA, you won't see an automatic artificial intelligence (AI) summary. AI searches are available, but it's your choice. This saves an enormous amount of energy!

This earth-friendly search engine produces "more clean energy than it takes to power all searches and AI queries on ECOSIA, leading to more renewable energy in the grid." You can learn more about ECOSIA and download the free app by visiting the ECOSIA website. You will be taking action to love the earth during the Season of Creation we're celebrating right now. Thank you!

We encourage everyone to keep track of the legislation regarding a moratorium on data centers (HB 2496) and the need for regulation by the PUC (HB 1834). Both bills passed the Pennsylvania House and are stuck in the Pennsylvania Senate. You can encourage your Pennsylvania senator to pass these bills by visiting the LAMPa website. It's easy, and every voice matters!

Please contact Janet Bischoff (jbischoff61@yahoo.com) for more information.