

November 2010



# St. Paul's Episcopal Church The Messenger

Reflections by The Rev. Lou Hays

## Imagine the Possibilities!

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Imagine a church that offers a distinctively different Sunday evening service that appeals to people who have been disillusioned with church, or who think church is boring or too predictable; folks searching for a place of refuge to reconnect to God. Imagine a service that appeals to the young, middle aged, and the elderly, and to newcomers and longtime members alike, with candles, icons, more candles, and a small waft of incense. Imagine.

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Imagine a church that develops a ministry for families with special needs to make worship and Sunday School more inviting and more accommodating. Imagine 25 parishioners getting involved, some brand new to the church. And, because children with special needs grow up to be adults with special needs, imagine this ministry growing to serve people of all ages with special needs. Imagine.

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Imagine a church that welcomes 50 new families over the course of the year, and most of them stay. Imagine a church with 130 young people from age three through high school in Sunday School, 76 young people in youth groups, and 36 serving as acolytes. Imagine.

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Imagine a church where loving clergy and lay people provide hundreds of pastoral care encounters over the course of the year. Imagine a church that cares for the

hungry, the poor, the sick, in the community, the nation, and the world, as far away as Africa and as close as the local food bank. Imagine a church that provides adult formation opportunities on Sundays and throughout the week. Imagine a church that offers incredible fellowship, from great coffee hours to gourmet dinners and everything in between. Imagine.

**Imagine a church that touches the lives of hundreds of people, every week...**

### **Imagine St. Paul's Episcopal Church**

Everything I have mentioned is coming to fruition as we strive to be the most welcoming congregation and beacon of Christ's love in the South Hills. Refuge at St. Paul's, a new ministry for families with special needs, dozens of new families, the largest Sunday School in the Diocese, outstanding pastoral care for all in need, and much more, and it's all made possible by your generosity. And imagine what more we might do to grow the Kingdom of God and do more of the work of Christ in the world, serving those within and beyond our community.

This is the time of year that we ask every member of the parish to make a generous pledge to the parish for the coming year. Pledges help us to be intentional and prayerful about our giving. And because 90 percent of our resources come directly from giving and no income comes from an endowment, having pledges is critically important to our ability to develop a budget for 2011.

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**The most welcoming congregation in the South Hills for all generations.**



# Imagine the Possibilities!

## You are invited!

The Stewardship Commission invites you to attend one of the scheduled small group gatherings, hosted by St. Paul's parishioners, to celebrate Stewardship at St. Paul's. Please RSVP to Dorothy Conway in the church office for all gatherings.

**Friday, October 29, 6 p.m.**  
**Cocktails and h'ors d'oeuvres**  
*hosted by Chris and Debbie Wiles*

**Tuesday, November 9, 3 p.m.**  
**Afternoon tea**  
*hosted by Mary Sweeney*

**Friday, November 12, 6:30 p.m.**  
**Dinner**  
*hosted by John Sozansky and Karen Schneider*

If these dates are not convenient for you, additional small group gatherings will be announced in the coming weeks. There will also be a Stewardship Reception between services on Sunday November 7.

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When you pledge, please consider opting for automatic payment from your checking account, or a monthly charge to you VISA or Mastercard to assist the vestry in budgeting for 2011.

Thank you,  
*John Sweeney*

## Parish Updates

### Birth Announcements

**Waidelich (Waide) Ross Fowler**

*Grandson of the Rev. Kathy and Wally LaLonde*

### Baptism Announcements

**Landis William McFadden**

*Son of Brian and Hilary McFadden*

*Grandson of parishioners John and Cherie Sanders*

October 17, 2010

**Dylan Michael Morgan and**

**Noah Douglas Morgan**

*Sons of parishioners Douglas and Kristen Morgan*

October 17, 2010

### Wedding Announcements

**Rachel Abbott and Zachary Gawlas**

October 16, 2010

### Death Announcements

**Stanley F. Harms, Jr.**

*Father of parishioner Heather Roman*

*(spouse of Andy Roman)*

Wednesday, September 15, 2010 in Florida

**Richard Smith**

*Son of parishioner Cynthia Smith*

Saturday, October 9, 2010 in Arlington, VA

**Judge John Brosky**

*Close friend of the Rev. Sandra and Dick Ritchie*

Died on Sunday, October 10, 2010

**Logan Cunningham**

Died on Tuesday, October 12, 2010

**Colleen Farrell**

*Friend of Steve Hill*

Died on Monday, October 18, 2010

**Ruth Thomas**

*Mother of parishioner Susan Townshend*

*(spouse of Doug Townshend)*

Died on Tuesday, October 19, 2010

# Voice of the Pew: Robert Frasier

While Pittsburgh has been the corporate headquarters for several companies, business is conducted in branch offices around the country and world. Bob Frasier and his wife Joan definitely know this part of modern business. They bought and sold seven houses because of company transfers.

Bob was born in Elmhurst, Illinois, to Richard and Ella Hahn Frasier. He graduated from Palatine High School in Palatine, Illinois, and in 1963 from Williams College, Williamstown, Massachusetts. In 1978 he earned an MBA degree from Pitt. You can begin to see patterns of moving emerging in Bob's life.

Bob's first job was with Mobay Chemical Company in Pittsburgh, which later became Bayer Corporation. During his 38 years with the company he had assignments in manufacturing and sales, located in a variety of locations around the country. He retired in 2001 as Vice President of Sales and Marketing for Bayer's North American plastics business.

Bob and Joan have two daughters and their families residing in northern California and a son and family living in Utah. Together, Bob and Joan have eight grandchildren – and a cute little dog named Annie.

Bob was raised in the Presbyterian Church. While in Long Island, New York, Bob and Joan came in contact with the Episcopal Church where they found the liturgy, traditions and congregants magnetic. They were later confirmed in a parish in Florida. He relished being active there, including in-house and outreach work.

In answer to what the church means to his family, Bob said that their faith, along with the support of clergy and friends have helped them to cope with the loss of several dear family members during the past few years.

The Frasier family are excited about their choice of this Diocese and St. Paul's Church, which began by being greeted by Lou, Dorothy Conway and so many friendly parishioners. They appreciate the beauty of the liturgy, the music and the structure.

As a footnote to their frequent moves from city to city and house to house, Bob's desire to be busy in retirement has led him to obtain a realtor's license, which he certainly can use to speak to people moving in the South Hills.

*The Rev. Richard Davies*



*Robert Frasier, with wife Joan and their little dog Annie*

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People often ask, "how much should I give?" Only you can answer that question. The most important thing is that everyone participates, regardless of the amount. We do encourage proportionate giving, in which we consider what percentage of our income we are giving back to God, and seek to increase that percentage over time. The average Episcopalian thinks nothing of giving a waiter a 10 to 20% tip. The average Episcopalian gives between 1 and 2% of his or her income to the Church. The Biblical standard of giving, and the standard of the Episcopal Church, is the tithe, 10% of one's income. I can attest to the fact that it is very possible to live on 90% or less of what God has given us, returning 10% to do the work of Christ in the world. This is particularly true if one works toward the tithe, increasing one's giving by a half percent or one percent each year.

We are very blessed in our lives and in our faith community. I ask you to pray about your part in growing God's Kingdom and doing more of Christ's work in the world. May God give each of us the grace, faith, and generosity to increase our giving.

Imagine the possibilities. Imagine the difference you can make. Help St. Paul's change lives!

*In Christ's love, Lou+*

# Music Notes

## November is a month of Thanksgiving

November is a month to offer thanksgiving and, accordingly, our pledges for stewardship. As Director of Music and Arts at St. Paul's I have much to be thankful for: the position of responsibility to lead our worship music and the blessings to work with so many great people, chiefly, our music ministers (choirs, soloists and instrumentalists).

I am particularly thankful for the direct assistance I receive from parish staff, our Music Assistant, Bryan Sable, Virginia (Ginnie) Schaap and other volunteers like Ellen Goss and John Murphy. Bryan, our new staff member, is responsible for those activities that I am unable to lead for want of time, for example, music for our new liturgy *Refuge at St. Paul's*, directing the Canterbury Children's Choir, and giving general vital assistance during two Sunday morning worship services. Ginnie is Administrator for the Friends of Music Guild that offers a concert series which helps raise money for Friends of Music. Also, on a weekly basis, she reports our use of copyrighted music to three agencies that give us license to use such material. Ellen and John are our music librarians who, also on a weekly basis, sort, file, and register all choral anthems, instrumental music, psalms, hymns, solos, and organ music!

St. Paul's Music Ministry is driven to provide the best music for worship that is pleasing to God and a pathway for our music ministers to give back to God their treasure of time in rehearsal and talent in performance. Yes, the word performance, a musical offering unto God, is both accurate in this context and illustrative of our desire to "give of our best to the Master." Clergy study and rehearse their sermons in manners similar to the way musicians prepare the offering of hymns, chants, and anthems. In considering our Stewardship pledge, it is good to be mindful of our support for worship, exacting what it takes to provide weekly worship music – *talent*: dedicated and skillful music ministers; *time*: great investments of energy for rehearsal and performance; and, *treasure*: more than money, a giving back to God the creator's gifts of humanity and musicianship. As an illustration of "what you get" from your music ministry and in addition to those activities listed above, I've been asked to enumerate my weekly duties. As you will see, my work falls into three categories: 1) Creative; 2) Administrative; and, 3) Pastoral. Perhaps number three is the less obvious but, to me, it is a vivid obligation – nurturing, listening to and advancing our musicians whose spirituality intersects with their musical offerings.

My weekends are populated with rehearsals and preparing music for worship. On Saturday, mornings I lead the 8:45 contemporary music ensemble in rehearsals and we set up our equipment, including guitars, drums, microphones, stands and other necessities and connecting the instruments and microphones to the sound system. In advance of that rehearsal, I prepare scores and other arrangements for our instrumentalists, which includes composing and transposing music for alto saxophone. By late Saturday afternoon I am back at church to practice organ, putting finishing touches on hymn, anthem and solo accompaniments. Ideally, I practice the organ at least one hour per day but if I am in deficit by Saturday, as I often am, you may hear the organ being played as late as at 8:00 p.m. on Saturday evening.

Sunday is certainly most busy. My family and I arrive Sunday mornings about a half hour before the 8:45 liturgy to set up and, again, rehearse the ensemble. That liturgy usually ends around 9:40 with either me at the keyboard or, having left early to rehearse the Chancel Choir at 9:30 a.m., Bryan Sable sitting in. The Chancel Choir and I rehearse for about 45 minutes in preparation for the 10:30 liturgy. During that time we fine tune the Psalm, anthems and solos. As time allows, I speak with many choir members welcoming them back from breaks, asking about health and other issues. These conversations often resume by 11:45 a.m. at the conclusion of a service after I have had the supreme privilege of offering unto God our finest talents and music. Sunday afternoons are often home with the family, a cherished time as you will see because most week days and evenings are taken in preparing for the next weekend.

Monday is my “day off” but I return to St. Paul’s in the evening where some of that time is taken in drafting musical choices for the next Sunday. At my weekly meeting with Lou we review those choices and plan more music for future liturgies. Periodically, Monday evenings are spent in Worship Commission meetings. It’s a good Monday evening if I can fit in one hour of practice, often quite late, as the sexton can tell you, because he tells me to make sure all lights are out and doors locked.

Tuesday is focused on our morning paperwork and afternoon staff meeting. Much of the former is writing weekly music notes for St. Paul’s all-parish email and service bulletins, researching topics, and communicating upcoming worship music events. At staff meetings I share calendar events and report on music ministry activities. When I return in the evening I again try to get in some organ practice, but I find myself catching up with things left undone - a psalm that needs to be composed, phone calls and emails that need to be returned. The goal of Tuesday is to be poised to have final drafts of music for the following week’s music because I meet with Lou on Wednesday afternoons and I need to email Ginnie our licensure usage for her reports as indicated above.

Wednesday finds me editing musical choices and preparing for the next day’s rehearsal with the choir. For that rehearsal I prepare choir sheets, a script of music to rehearse and some calendar issues. Choir members also need to have their anthems and Psalm music edited for effective rehearsal. So Wednesday is often spent in preparing accompaniments at the piano and editing choral scores. Some Wednesdays, like the one at this writing, are spent in writing articles for *The Messenger*.

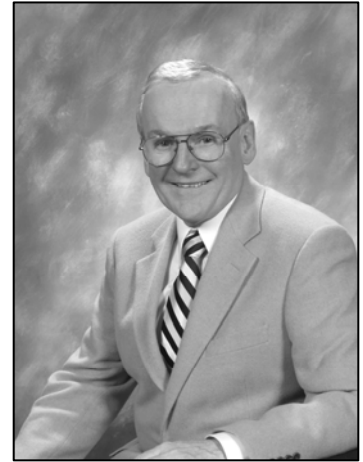
Thursday is my day to look at next week’s musical requirements and major forthcoming musical events on the calendar. For example, in the month of October, Music Ministry presented one Guild concert and Mike’s Episcopal Café fundraiser. Since Thursday is open until my evening rehearsal, I often prepare for these events that involve publicity, letters and emails, program design and more rehearsing! This year’s Mike’s Café had over a dozen accompaniments to master and arrangements to prepare for the Café Jazz band! Oh yes, planning a Jazz summer camp at St. Paul’s is another project.

Friday, the day before an always busy weekend is left to rehearse and see what final pieces need to be put in the puzzle. Many Friday nights find me back at church at the computer and, hopefully more often, at the organ bench.

Off-schedule items of responsibility include meeting with families who need music for funeral and wedding liturgies, planning and responding to outside requests for using St. Paul’s as a concert venue; e.g. this week Kenyon College requested permission to give a March, 2011 concert here, and miscellaneous duties regarding instrument maintenance and instrument acquisition; e.g. last week my son and I traveled to Louisville, KY to pick up FREE timpani offered to us by St. Francis in the Fields.

As I imagined, this must be as hard to read as it has been to write. I could not do this work for St. Paul’s without your love and especially the love of Annette, my wife, who holds the fort at home with two school-age children which includes our dear special-needs daughter, Lydia. What do I do in my spare time? I teach, I make it home each day to meet Lydia after school at the bus stop, I do as much Physical Therapy as I can to sustain a healing back injury (an organist’s occupational hazard). All St. Paul’s staff have similarly busy lives that center around their vital parish ministries.

As the Bass recitative states in Cantata number 29, “Praise God! We are so blest!”



**Sunday, November 14**

**Organist  
Dr. John Walker**

**10:30 a.m. service**

*Guest organist*

**3 p.m.**

**Organ Recital**

*Admission Donation: \$10*

A splendid day of music at St. Paul’s. Earlier in the day, during the 10:30 a.m. service, Dr. Walker will accompany the St. Paul’s Chancel Choir in J.S. Bach’s Cantata 29, *Wir danken dir, Gott, wir danken dir*. (“We thank thee, O God, we thank thee.”)

Later, Dr. Walker will offer a recital program including works by J.S. Bach, Franck, de Lameingreau, and Willan. All are invited!

*Doug Starr, Director of Music & Arts*

# November Announcements

**Saturday Worship** — Remember, the Saturday 6 p.m. service is at Old St. Luke's in Scott until November 20 after which time it returns to the Chapel here at St. Paul's

**Volunteers needed for our Sunday evening service, *Refuge at St. Paul's*** No matter what your interest or ability, there is an opportunity to serve. Logistics and Liturgy, Creativity and Aesthetics, Hospitality and Publicity, find your place. Find your Refuge.

**Food Pantry Weekend** will be November 6 and November 7. Please remember to bring your donation of non-perishable food items to the service you attend. All packaged and canned goods are acceptable. Paper and soap products are also welcome. The people in charge of the South Hills Food Pantry and the recipients of your donations are grateful for the generosity of St. Paul's.

**Attention Claudia & Lydia Circle members!** Time and date changes for our monthly meeting! Both circles will meet November 11 at 11:15 a.m. (Lydia in lounge, Claudia in back of undercroft) for short business meetings. A salad-dessert luncheon will follow. After lunch we will go to the back of the undercroft for a program by Mica Van Fossen. Mica is going to speak to us about women's health and how we can take better care of ourselves. All women of the parish are welcome. If you have never come to a circle meeting, this would be a good time to meet members and find out a little about both circles.

**Book Club meets Friday, November 12 at 1:00 p.m.** in the Lounge. The book is selection is *The Poe Shadow* by Mathew Pearl.

**Blood Pressure Clinic continues Sunday, November 14** — Between the 8:45 and 10:30 service in Room 26, next to the Lounge, and following the 10:30 service in the Library. Mica Van Fossen, a registered nurse and member of St Paul's will be available to check blood pressure. This provides parishioners with blood pressure issues an opportunity to have it checked on a regular basis. If there are any other nurses in the congregation who would like to help with this Health Care Ministry, please let either Mica or the Rev. Mabel know.

**Christmas Luncheon for the women of St. Paul's.** The women of St. Paul's will have a Christmas luncheon at Providence Point on Thursday, December 2 at 12 noon. All women in the church are cordially invited. We will order from 3 choices on the menu and the cost will be \$21. This is a delightful way to make acquaintances and build friendships in our church. Please make your reservation by sending your check made payable to Doris Davies, 300 Madison Ave., #309, Pittsburgh, PA 15243 by November 18.

**Pickwick Boys' Lunch is Thursday, November 18** at the Olive Garden. Del Rapp is the host.

**Operation Donut is seeking weekly sponsors.** The sponsor donation is \$40 and helps to defray the costs of donuts, bagels, cream cheese, etc. If you need more information or are willing to be a sponsor please contact Karen Viggiano at 412-563-3937 or viggiano5@verizon.net.

**The Assistant Rector's Bible Study** continues most Wednesdays, at 9:30 a.m. in the Conference Room. We are studying the *Gospel of Mark*. Don't miss out. Contact the Rev. Kris Opat for more information at 412-531-7153 ext. 35 or kris@stpaulspgh.org.

**Bulletin/Email Reminder**—The Bulletin/Email Announcement Deadline is Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. If you have information for the bulletin/email please contact Dorothy at dconway@stpaulspgh.org or 412-531-7153, ext. 10.



## New in the church library:

Defiant Daughters : Christian Women of Conscience

*by Marcy Heidish*

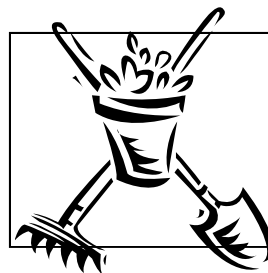
Adventures in Daily Prayer: Experiencing the Power of God's Love

*by Bert Ghezzi*

Saint Paul by Pope Benedict XVI

Listen to the Wind : the Story of Dr. Greg & Three Cups of Tea

*by Greg Mortenson and Susan L. Roth (Juvenile)*



## Fall Clean Up Day

Saturday, November 13

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

## Important Dates for December

*Mark your calendars! Watch your bulletin and all-parish email for more details.*

**Thursday, December 2:** Women's Christmas Luncheon

**Tuesday, December 7:** ECW Packing Seaman's Boxes

**Sunday, December 12:** Share the Joy

**Sunday, December 19:** Pageant Rehearsal

**Friday, December 24:** Christmas Eve Pageant

**Saturday, December 25:** Christmas Day

**Friday, December 31:** New Year's Eve



## ALL-PARISH PIZZA PARTY

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12

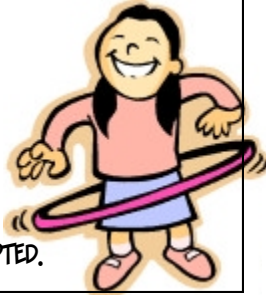
6:00-8:00 PM

EVERYBODY IS INVITED! BRING A FRIEND!

THIS IS A GREAT TIME FOR FAMILIES,  
YOUNG AND OLD!

CHARLIE APPEL WILL BE THE DJ  
WITH MUSIC AND GAMES.

NO CHARGE, BUT DONATIONS ACCEPTED.



## 'Tis almost the season Help others have a Merry Christmas

### Seaman's Institute Christmas Boxes

On Tuesday December 7 the ECW will be packing Christmas boxes for the Seaman's Institute.

The Seamen's Church Institute (SCI) is North America's largest and most comprehensive mariners' service agency, promoting safety, dignity, and improved working and living conditions for millions of men and women serving in the maritime workplace. Founded in 1834, the Institute is a voluntary, ecumenical agency affiliated with the Episcopal Church.

We need donations of Good Hand Lotion, Chewing Gum, Wrapped Candy, Puzzle Books, Microwave Popcorn, Lip Balm and Paperback Books. Items can be left in the office marked Seaman's Institute.

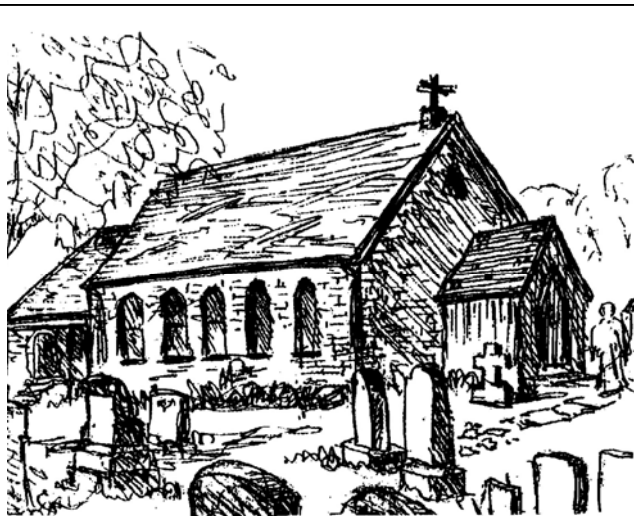
Everyone should meet in the Undercroft at 9 a.m. to pack the boxes. It will be a community work day with a hot lunch. Please join us for this wonderful ministry. For information contact Debbie Wiles at 412-344-5759.



Don't forget! On Sunday, November 7 bring your gift boxes for Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child to be blessed!

As a class project, our 8<sup>th</sup> grade Confirmants are coordinating participation in this wonderful program that brings not only toys but the gift of Jesus Christ to needy children throughout the world. Participation is easy:

1. Pack a standard sized shoe box with small gifts (toys, school supplies, hard candy, mints, hairclips, socks, sunglasses, toiletries) for a boy or girl aged 2-4, 5-9 or 10-14. You may wrap the box (lid separately) if you wish. Most importantly, please pray for the child who will receive your gift.
2. Include a donation of \$7 (make checks payable to St. Paul's with "Samaritan's Purse" in the memo line).
3. Bring the boxes to be collected and blessed on November 7!



## Old St. Luke's Historical Chapel & Burial Ground

*Offers a service of*

## Thanksgiving Vespers

Sunday, November 21, 4 p.m.

*Homilist: The Rt. Rev. Kenneth L. Price,  
Provisional Bishop of Pittsburgh*

# Children & Youth Ministries

## Give Thanks

November is probably my favorite month. Most Novembers, the fall weather is simply wonderful. The air is crisp, the temperature is cool, the leaves are turning wonderful shades of autumn; it is perfect outside. Pumpkins abound, from decorative pumpkins on porches outside, to delicious pumpkin lattes, pumpkin rolls, and pumpkin pie. All of these things lead up to the holiday so beloved by many people in the United States: Thanksgiving.

Originally Thanksgiving was a celebration for a bountiful harvest. Nowadays it has been made into a more general festival of being thankful in general. We are thankful for what we have, our loved ones, our health; the list goes on and on. While it may not always seem like we have a lot to be thankful for, I assure you that you do. More than anything, we all should be thankful for God's son, our savior, Jesus Christ. Through His sacrifice, we can all live eternally. There isn't anything to be more thankful for than that.

But in this time we should be mindful of others, who are not as fortunate as us. There are those people in the world who are unable to have a meal available every day, let alone a Thanksgiving dinner. It is our job, as Christians, to try to make a difference to people in the world and bring Christ to them. Help out whenever you're given the opportunity. Show a stranger the light of Christ because you never know how even the smallest action or kind word will change someone's day.

In closing, I offer all of you the Litany of Thanksgiving, as it is found on pp. 386 and 387 of the Book of Common Prayer:

Let us give thanks to God our Father for all his gifts so freely bestowed upon us.

For the beauty and wonder of your creation, in earth and sky and sea.

*We thank you, Lord,*

For all that is gracious in the lives of men and women, revealing the image of Christ,

*We thank you, Lord.*

For our daily food and drink, our homes and families, and our friends,

*We thank you, Lord.*

For minds to think, and hearts to love, and hands to serve,

*We thank you, Lord.*

For health and strength to work, and leisure to rest and play,

*We thank you, Lord.*

For the brave and courageous, who are patient in suffering and faithful in adversity,

*We thank you, Lord.*

For all valiant seekers after truth, liberty, and justice,

*We thank you, Lord.*

For the communion of saints, in all times and places,

*We thank you, Lord.*

Above all, we give you thanks for the great mercies and promises given to us in Christ Jesus our Lord;

To him be praise and glory, with you, O Father, and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

*Steve Hill*

*Director of Children and Youth Ministry*

## Children & Youth Events

1 - **Monday:** NO JR EYC

2 - **Tuesday, 12 - 4 pm:** EYC World Vision (meet at church)

3 - **Wednesday:** NO SR EYC

7 - **Sunday, All Saints' Day**

9:30 am Sunday School

8 - **Monday, 6 - 8 pm:** JR EYC Study break

10 - **Wednesday, 7 - 9 pm:** SR EYC Study break

13 - **Saturday, 10 am:** Turkey Bowl

14 - **Sunday**

9:30 am Sunday School

12 noon Initial Mission Trip Meeting

15 - **Monday, 6 - 8 pm:** JR EYC Study break

17 - **Wednesday, 7 - 9 pm:** SR EYC Study break

20 - **Saturday, 9 am:** PYI Harry Potter showing

21 - **Sunday**

9:30 am Sunday School

22 - **Monday, 6 - 8 pm:** JR EYC Laser Tag

24 - **Wednesday:** NO SR EYC

25 - **Thursday—Happy Turkey Day!**

10 am Thanksgiving Service

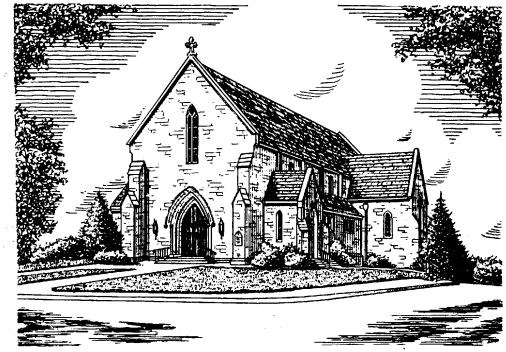
28 - **Sunday**

9:30 am Advent Wreath Making

(No regular Sunday School)

29 - **Monday, 6 - 8 pm:** JR EYC Study break

# The 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 1930 Church



St. Paul's as a parish began in May 1836 when it was admitted into the Diocese of Pennsylvania. Its location was in the upper Hill District. The church moved several times as the years passed, but always in the same general area. The population of that area changed over the years and really changed toward the end of the nineteenth century. St. Paul's membership had its ups and downs and was changed to Mission status.

At the beginning of the twentieth century it was felt the church should move into a very different area. Bishop Mann strongly saw the potential of the area in the new Township of Mt. Lebanon. The Liberty Tunnel built in 1922-1924 and the streetcar line going there, were making the area's potential very attractive for rapid growth. The decision was made to move to Mt. Lebanon, and the auditorium in Washington School was rented. The first service was on Sunday, December 21, 1924 at 4 p.m.\* The Rev. Laurence F. Eames came over from Calvary Episcopal to do the service.

## Youth Events... details, details

### **Tuesday, November 2, 12 noon - 4 pm**

World Vision: Jr. and Sr. EYC's will go to World Vision in Sewickley. Meet at St. Paul's at 12 noon (Please have lunch beforehand). At World Vision we will be sorting, organizing, and packing clothes for a clothing drive. We should return to St. Paul's no later than 4 pm.

### **Saturday, November 13, 10 am**

Sr. EYC Turkey Bowl: We will meet at St. Paul's and go to Bird Park for a friendly, competitive Turkey Bowl game. Bring your game faces because the everyone on the winning team will get to sign the Turkey Bowl Football! See you at the game!

### **Sunday, November 14, 12 noon**

First Mission Trip Meeting for our 2011 Trip: We will discuss places available for us to go, theme, etc. We want to get the groundwork set! Meet in the youth room. The mission trip is open to any youth currently in grades 8 through 12. This meeting is for youth and parents alike!

### **Saturday, November 20, 9 am**

PYI Harry Potter movie Day: The Pittsburgh Youth Initiative is going to see "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows". We will meet at St. Paul's at 10 am and then go to Lowes Waterfront in Homestead. Afterwards we will eat lunch and discuss Christian themes found in Harry Potter. Cost is \$5 per attendee. This is open to anyone in 7 grade and above.

### **Monday, November 22, 6pm**

Laser Tag: The Jr. EYC will go to Legacy Lanes for an evening of Laser Tag! Cost is \$10 and includes pizza.

If you can help drive or any offsite activities, please contact Steve at [shill@stpaulspgh.org](mailto:shill@stpaulspgh.org).

The congregation grew rapidly. The Rev. Eames left for studies in June 1925, and the Rev. Dr. W. H. Anthony was appointed Vicar by Bishop Mann. A Women's Guild was organized as well as a Men's Club.\*

The Mission labored under the handicap of not having a church building. A search for a lot was started. It came down to a consideration of two lots located on either of the two corners of the intersection of Washington and Cochran roads.\* They considered the distance to the streetcar (because most people rode the streetcars then) and purchased a lot that extended to Vernon Dr.

Mr. Allan B. Wells became Lay Reader in February 1927 when the Rev. Anthony left. Bishop Mann appointed Rev. Warren Herrich as Vicar. The difficulties were numerous, but they were surmounted. By 1929, time had come for the erection of the church building. There were 130 in Church School and 877 in the congregation.

The lot that extended to Vernon Dr. was sold and a new lot at Washington Rd. and Mayfair Dr. was purchased for \$17,500. Money for the whole project was obtained by the sale of all properties held by the Trustees, as well as the money of the mission church, and by a Building Campaign. The Founders of St. Paul's were those who contributed to the campaign.\* A mortgage of \$50,000 was obtained.

At first a parish house was to be built and then the church building. Due to financial constraints, the parish house plan was abandoned. Also the church design was altered by removing a proposed tower\*. The contract was signed with Henry Busse, a contractor, for the construction of a modest Sanctuary\*. This building was to be the initial part of a larger church to be done later.

The ground breaking was on March 9, 1930\*; with Bishop Mann there with all notables. The laying of the Corner Stone was May 25, 1930\*; and the Dedication was November 9, 1930\*. Invitations and programs\* still exist to commemorate these exciting events, all of which were blessed by sunny days. The Rev. Herrich left during this time and the Rev. E. L. B. Pielow\* was chosen. Our Library is named for him. The church finally lost its Mission status in the 40's and was raised to Parish status. The founders had persevered to obtain their goal which eventually became the parish we know and love today.

\* indicate pictures in the display in the Parish Hall/Undercroft. All information is from the archives of St Pauls.

*Parish Archivist, Nancy Fincke*



# CANTERBURY FAIR

## Saturday

### November 6, 2010

### 9:30 to 3:30

### Canterbury Fair is almost here and we need everyone's help!

Set up for Canterbury Fair is Friday November 5 and we need help. We need men to move and set up tables, bring in boxes and be available for all the jobs that come up at the last minute. We'll have a "Honey Do" list and we'll give you lunch – a deal you can't pass up.

We also need hands to arrange the lovely Handmade Gifts, the Silent Auction, the Theme Baskets, Attic Treasures, Antiques and Collectibles. Canterbury Cooks and of course the Baked Goods. It will be a busy day, our products will need to be priced and displayed. Come, enjoy the excitement, have a great lunch and get into the Canterbury mood. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

Saturday, November 6 is the day that everyone has been working toward. The Wednesday crafters have been meeting since April; and many women have been working at home and are bringing wonderful items to sell. We have patrons supporting Canterbury Fair and advertisers for our program.

**Now we need help for the day.** Karen Schneider needs people in the kitchen to prepare and serve the hot lunch; Jane Offutt is doing Attic Treasures and will need people to keep an eye on the tables. We need men to watch the doors and help to keep people moving. There will be many women needed to sell the items that make this event a success. It is a big day and everyone is encouraged to become involved to help make it a success.

Please join us for an hour or two or one or both days, it is a wonderful community event that symbolizes St. Paul's generosity and benefits our many outreach projects. Remember there is no small job; we all are working together for the common goal. Thank you for all of your support.

*Mary Sweeney 412-561-5933*

*Josie Harmon 412-531-0891*

### Last chance to donate to Attic Treasures.

Have you had it in the back of your mind to donate a few items? Just a few days are left. We will be selling in the Nursery School Big Room and will be setting up on Friday, November 5. You can bring your large items right to the church on that Friday. Thank you. We appreciate your help.

*Jane Offut*

**New this  
year!**

**Children's  
shopping  
area**

**Massages**

**Frozen  
appetizers**



# ...find at **Refuge** Sundays at 6pm

A multi-sensory  
worship experience

*"For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven..." (Eccl. 3:1)*

There is a scene in the movie *Cast Away* where Tom Hanks is giving a "pep talk" to some of the FedEx employees he is responsible for shaping up. He points to the clock on the wall and exclaims, "That's why every FedEx office has a clock. Because we live or die by the clock...we've got three hours and four minutes before the end of the day's package sort. That's how long we have. That's how much time we have before this pulsating, accursed, relentless taskmaster tries to put us out of business!"

A "pulsating, accursed, relentless taskmaster" is how he describes the clock, the reality of time passing by. Maybe some of us have the same view? But time does not have to be our enemy. The scriptures call us to a life that is lived well and place our hope in the gift of unending life in Christ. For those without such hope the passing of time will always be something to fight: one more surgery, a little more Botox, a new car, a new wife...anything to make us feel younger. But for those with hope, the passing of time is something to embrace. We need not fear what comes next, we are free to live as Henry David Thoreau's Walden who cries, "I wanted to live deep and suck the marrow out of life, to put to rout all that was not life, and not, when I had come to die, discover that I had not lived."

Time is the theme for this season of Refuge at St. Paul's and I hope you will come and join us for a chance to slow down the pace of life, if only for one hour each week, and be surrounded by the sights, sounds, smells, feel, and taste of worship.

The Season of Time will run through Christ the King Sunday (Nov. 21). Beginning the First Sunday of Advent (Nov. 28) we will enter a Season of Expectation and Fulfillment as we anticipate and celebrate the birth of our Lord.

Come and find Refuge at St. Paul's...every Sunday at 6 p.m.

*Kris+*



*At this year's Blessing of the Pets (October 3 on the Feast of St. Francis) many beloved animal companions enjoyed their visit to God's house.*

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Monday — Friday  
8:30 am — 4:30 pm

## Financial Office

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday  
8:00 am — 1:00 pm

## Communications & Children's Ministry

Monday–Friday  
10:00 am–3:00 pm

## **Important Dates**

**Tuesday, November 2**  
EYC World Vision

**Wednesday, November 3**  
Special Needs Ministry Meeting

**Saturday, November 6**  
Canterbury Fair

**Sunday, November 7**  
All Saints' Day  
Operation Christ Child Boxes Due  
Daylight Savings Ends

**Thursday, November 11**  
Veterans' Day

**Friday, November 12**  
All-Parish Pizza Party

**Friday, November 19**  
Canon Davies Retirement Dinner

**Saturday, November 20**  
PYI—Harry Potter movie  
Nursery School Fall Fundraiser

**Sunday, November 21**  
Thanksgiving Vespers at OSL

**Monday, November 22**  
Jr. EYC Laser Tag

**Thursday, November 25**  
Thanksgiving Day

**Sunday, November 28**  
First Sunday of Advent  
Advent Wreath Making

## November Worship Schedule

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist, Rite II</b> <i>Old St. Luke's through November 20, then the Chapel</i>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist, Rite I</b> <i>Chapel</i>
	<b>8:45 a.m.</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist, Rite II</b> <i>Church, family-friendly upbeat music and homily</i>
	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist, Rite II</b> <i>Church with traditional music, sermon, &amp; healing prayers</i>
	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Refuge at St. Paul's</b> <i>Church, multi-sensory worship experience</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist, Rite II</b> <i>Friendship Village</i>
	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>
	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Holy Eucharist, Rite I</b> <i>Chapel with homily &amp; healing prayers</i>

## Thanksgiving Services

**Sunday, November 21 at 4:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Vespers at Old St. Luke's**  
*with the Rt. Rev. Kenneth L. Price, Provisional Bishop of Pittsburgh as Homilist*

**Thursday, November 25 at 10:00 a.m. in the Church**

*The church offices will be closed Thursday, November 25 and Friday, November 26.*