



# St. Paul's Episcopal Church

*We follow Jesus, welcome all and nurture ministries.*



*Online Bulletin*

## The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost:

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August 5, 2018 8 a.m.

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### *Welcome to St. Paul's Episcopal Church.*

*Whether this is your first visit or you have been a member for years, we're glad you're here! This bulletin is designed to guide you through the service. Hymnals, Bibles and the Book of Common Prayer are in the pews and available for your use as well. Please let us know if there's anything we can do to make your time with us more enriching and enjoyable.*

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## Holy Eucharist *Liturgy of the Word*

**Prelude** *Trumpet Tune* *John Erickson*

*Please stand at the sound of the bell.*

**Entrance Hymn** **Glorious things of thee are spoken** **Hymnal 522**

**Opening Salutation** Book of Common Prayer (BCP) p. 323

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name: through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Lord, have mercy upon us.

**Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Lord, have mercy upon us.

## Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

*As Episcopalians, our custom is to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest Holy Scripture. You are invited to do so right here in your bulletin.*

## First Reading

Exodus 16:2-4, 9-12

A Reading from the Book of Exodus.

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

Then the LORD said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not.

Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.'" And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. The LORD spoke to Moses and said, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.'"

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat."

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 78:23-29

- 23 So he commanded the clouds above \*  
and opened the doors of heaven.
- 24 He rained down manna upon them to eat \*  
and gave them grain from heaven.
- 25 So mortals ate the bread of angels; \*  
he provided for them food enough.
- 26 He caused the east wind to blow in the heavens \*  
and led out the south wind by his might.
- 27 He rained down flesh upon them like dust \*  
and winged birds like the sand of the sea.
- 28 He let it fall in the midst of their camp \*  
and round about their dwellings.
- 29 So they ate and were well filled, \*  
for he gave them what they craved

## Second Reading

Ephesians 4:1-16

A Reading from the Letter to the Ephesians.

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift.

Therefore it is said,

"When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive;  
he gave gifts to his people."

(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

The Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand.*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

**Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

The next day, when the people who remained after the feeding of the five thousand saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

**Sermon**

The Reverend Susan Bek

*A period of silent reflection follows the sermon.*

**Nicene Creed**

BCP p. 326

*All stand and together say*

**Prayers of the People**

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*Please stand or kneel as is your custom.*

*Deacon*

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

*Leader*

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all people: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Teach us, O God, to treasure the differences that distinguish one person from another. Help us to overcome fear and hatred. Open our hearts to see thy radiance in every human soul. Give us the courage to combat prejudice and intolerance, and bless us with compassion, with kindness, and with peace.<sup>1</sup>

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers *especially our presiding bishop, Michael; our bishops John and Diane; our clergy Susan, Ed, and Dick;* that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land *especially Donald, our President; the congress and courts; Jerry, our Governor,* that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor **Lillian, Wayne, Marilyn, Adele, Babs, Brenda, James, Wes, Jacob, Carolyn, Gerri, Jo Ellen, Maggie, Duncan, Shelia, Jamie, Frank, Julie, Liz, Helen, Bruce, Paul, Carol, Stacy and Mike.** *And those enduring a long term illness especially Virginia, Margery, Sheila, Carrie, Linda, Judy, Michelle, Kathy, Doug, Rachel, Kim, and those others on our hearts* and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially those affected by the fires and floods.

*(See page 9 for other parish petitions and prayers of thanksgiving.)*

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear especially *Ken Wareham, Herb Borsting and those whose names we bring before God,* beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of Paul and of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

## **Confession and Absolution**

BCP p. 330

### **Peace**

*All stand as they are able.*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

**Prayers for birthdays, anniversaries and other special occasions.**

## *Liturgy of the Table*

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

*BCP p. 377*

**Offertory Anthem**                      *The Lord's Prayer*    *Albert Malotte*  
*Nicole Benson, soloist*

**Presentation Hymn**                      **From all that dwell below the skies**    **Hymnal 380**  
*Please stand.*

**Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer I)**    BCP p. 333

**The Lord's Prayer**    BCP p. 336

**Breaking of the Bread**    BCP p. 337  
*A period of silence is kept.*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

**Prayer of Humble Access**    BCP p. 337

### **Invitation**

This is the Banquet of the Lamb. It is made ready for those who love him and for those who want to love him more. So, come, you who have much faith and you who have little, you who have been here often and you who have not been here long, you who have tried to follow and you who fear you have failed. Come, because it is the Lord who invites you. It is the Lord's will that those who want him should meet him here.

*Wherever you are in your journey of faith, you are welcome at communion. Our custom is to receive the bread in your open palm. Please tell the priest if you prefer a gluten-free wafer or sulfite-free juice. Sip the wine, if you wish it, from the common cup, guiding the chalice gently with your hand or the Eucharistic Minister will dip the bread for you. Otherwise, cross your arms over your chest as a sign you wish a blessing.*

**Communion Music**                      *The Prayer*    *Foster, Sager, Testa, Renis*  
*Nicole Benson and Diego Magaña, soloists*

**Post Communion Prayer**    BCP p. 339  
*Please stand or kneel as you prefer.*

### **Blessing**

May the Peace which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord: And may the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit rest upon you and remain with you this day and forever more. **Amen.**

**Concluding Hymn**                      **Guide me, O thou great Jehovah**    **Hymnal 690**  
*Please stand.*

**Announcements**  
*Please be seated.*

## Dismissal

*Please stand.*

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Alleluia. Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia.**

## Postlude

*Postlude*

*Arnold Cooke*

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## Acknowledgements and Copyright Information

<sup>1</sup> *A Prayer for Tolerance* Rabbi Naomi Levy, adapted by Barbara Bennett and David Catron.

## Today at St. Paul's, Ventura

You are invited to join us for coffee and refreshments in Kahler Hall following the service

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Check out next Sunday's readings (Track 2) at [www.lectionarypage.net](http://www.lectionarypage.net)



### St. Paul's GO

This Sunday's Worship Bulletin with Announcements is now available online.

#### Here's How:

1. Login into our wi-fi network: user name is St. Paul's Guest  
password is 8056435033
2. Download a QR Code Reader app: Google Play [Android] App Store [iPhone]
3. Open the app and scan the QR Code.

### Digital Disciples are in The House!

If you see someone typing on their phone or iPad, know that they are serving as E-vangelists, spreading the Good News far and wide through social media. You too can be a Digital Disciple -

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*Serving This Week*  
*8:00am*

|                              |                                                         |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Acolytes</b>              | Jo Ellen Heil                                           |
| <b>Chalice</b>               | Jo Ellen Heil, Lori Burke                               |
| <b>Psalm</b>                 | Jo Ellen Heil                                           |
| <b>Lay Readers</b>           | Ellen Morgan                                            |
| <b>Prayers of the People</b> | Lori Burke                                              |
| <b>Ushers</b>                | Roger Myers, Sally Weimer                               |
| <b>Hospitality Sponsor</b>   | Wes Cullins                                             |
| <b>Altar Guild</b>           | Dela Parker, Carole Nelson, Kathy Loest, Susan Talmadge |
| <b>Flower Guild</b>          | Yvonne Loest, Virginia Gallegos, Roger Crow             |
| <b>Counters</b>              | Marilyn Angelo, Susan Talmadge                          |

**Highlights of This Week at St. Paul's**

|                             |          |                                                       |
|-----------------------------|----------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Today</b><br><b>8/5</b>  | 8:00 am  | Rite I Sunday Service                                 |
|                             | 9:40 am  | Choir Warm-up (Music Room)                            |
|                             | 10:00 am | Summer Sunday School (Kahler Hall)                    |
|                             | 10:15 am | Rite II Service                                       |
|                             | 11:30 am | Fellowship & Formation (Kahler Hall)                  |
|                             | 4:30 pm  | Abundant Table Farm Church                            |
|                             | 8:00 pm  | AA Meeting (Kahler Hall)                              |
| <b>Monday</b><br><b>8/6</b> | 11:30 am | Tai Chi – Beginning (Kahler Hall)                     |
|                             | 1:00 pm  | Tai Chi – Intermediate (Kahler Hall)                  |
|                             | 5:30 pm  | First Monday Book Club (Panera Bread)                 |
|                             | 8:00 pm  | AA Meeting (Kahler Hall)                              |
| <b>Tues.</b><br><b>8/7</b>  | 6:30 pm  | Boy Scout Troop #179                                  |
| <b>Wed.</b><br><b>8/8</b>   | 9:00 am  | Healing Service (St. Paul's Chapel)                   |
|                             | 10:30 am | Bible Study (Library)                                 |
|                             | 11:30 am | Tai Chi – Beginning (Kahler Hall)                     |
|                             | 1:00 pm  | Tai Chi – Intermediate (Kahler Hall)                  |
|                             | 8:00 pm  | AA Meeting (Youth Room)                               |
| <b>Thurs.</b><br><b>8/9</b> | 8:30 am  | Building & Grounds Meeting (Youth Room)               |
|                             | 10:00 am | Risk Management Meeting (Office)                      |
| <b>Fri.</b><br><b>8/10</b>  | 6:30 am  | Men's Bible Study (Main Street Steakhouse Restaurant) |
|                             | 9:15 am  | Women's Bible Study (Library)                         |
| <b>Sat</b><br><b>8/11</b>   | 2:00 pm  | Kindermusik Camp Recital (Kahler Hall)                |
|                             | 6:45 pm  | AA Meeting (Youth Room)                               |

## *Prayer Intentions for the Week of August 5, 2018*

Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury  
Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop  
John Taylor, Bishop Diocesan  
Diane Bruce, Bishop Suffragan

President Donald Trump, Congress, Federal Courts  
Governor Jerry Brown, Legislature, State Courts  
Our clergy: Susan Bek, Ed Steever, Dick Swanson

### *HEALING IN BODY, MIND & SPIRIT:*

Lillian, Wayne, Marilyn, Adele, Babs, Brenda, James, Wes, Jacob, Carolyn, Gerri, Jo Ellen, Maggie, Duncan, Sheila, Jamie, Frank, Julie, Liz, Helen, Bruce, Paul, Carol, Stacy, Mike

### *THOSE ENDURING A LONG TERM ILLNESS:*

Virginia, Margery, Sheila, Carrie, Linda, Judy, Michelle, Kathy, Doug, Rachel, Kim

*Parish prayers for healing are listed for one calendar month. Contact the office with your request which may be added at any time. If you prefer your prayers to remain confidential, the Daughters of the King will add them to their daily prayer list for one month. They may be requested and/or renewed by using the prayer cards in the pews.*

### *FOR GOD'S BLESSING ON:*

- + Twelve step programs of recovery and healing; especially Alcoholics Anonymous meetings at St. Paul's.
- + Our local public and private hospitals, and the health care professionals who serve us.
- + Guests in the Safe Sleep Program.
- + U.S. Armed Forces personnel serving around the world and wounded warriors cared for in medical centers and those returned home.

### *GIVE THANKS FOR:*

- + Our partners in the Diocese of Los Angeles: *Hillsides-the Episcopal Home for Children, Pasadena; Neighborhood Youth Association, West LA.; Holy Family Services, Ventura County*
- + Our World Mission Companions: *Ankwanda Village in the Diocese of Cape Coast, and the Dioceses of Sunyani & Wiawso, Ghana.*
- + The Ventura Interfaith Ministerial Assoc.: *Temple Beth Torah, the Islamic Center of Oxnard, Ventura Seventh Day Adventist Church*

*IN MEMORIAM: Ken Wareham, Herb Borsting*



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

The Rev. Susan Bek, Rector; The Rev. Ed Steever, Deacon

The Rev. Dr. Richard Swanson, Assisting

Felix Eisenhauer, Music Minister; Tara Eisenhauer, Assistant Music Minister

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## Announcements

*Thank you for joining us today!  
As Ventura works to recover and find the way forward after fire and flood,  
St. Paul's is here to help.*

*We're praying for you every day.*

*Please let us know what else you need. God bless you!*



Please help us thank the following people for our refreshments this morning.

8:00 am Wes Cullins

10:15 am Rob & Susan Talmadge, Bridget Wareham

*(Next week for hospitality: 8 am – Liz & Ian McEwan*

*10:15 am – Javier & Valerie Ortiz, Norm & Pam Owens, Renee Bower)*

*If you would like to serve on our hospitality team, please let us know.*

***Please join us again next Sunday!***

### **MUSIC at ST. PAUL'S**



#### **TODAY:**

Our two cantors, Nicole Benson and Diego Magaña, will pair up to sing a contemporary favorite, *The Prayer*. Diego will also offer an additional solo: Malotte's *The Lord's Prayer*.

Next Sunday: Trumpet, organ and voice create a perfect trio for Bach's *Cantata No. 51*. Tara Eisenhauer-voice, Felix Eisenhauer-organ, Gabe Garnett-trumpet (10:15)



#### **MUSIC CHANGING WITH THE SEASONS**

Our summer pick-up choir has been going strong! Join us on any or all Sundays at 9:45am in the music room for a warm-up and to learn the hymns.

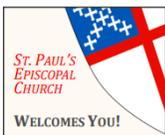
Need more music in your life? Our fall program is gearing up and we saved a seat just for you! Our **MUSIC RETREAT is August 25** at St. Paul's from 10am-4-m. Join us for camaraderie and music making (and did we mention lunch is included?).



#### **CHANGING OF THE GUARDS-CANTORS**

Nicole Benson was one of our original cantors, sang in our choir and ran our children's music hour. Sadly, she will be leaving us to pursue music teaching opportunities in Los Angeles. Today is her last time cantoring with us. Many thanks to Nicole for sharing her musical gifts with us!

Natalie Epelone will be joining us as a new cantor this month. She has been training and will become more present as a cantor over the next few weeks. She has also been a member of St. Paul's Choir this past year. Welcome to the ambo Natalie!



**TODAY – GREETER TRAINING:** All Welcome Ministers and Vestry members are invited to attend the Greeter Training. Meet at **9:15am** in the Youth Room (next to Kahler Hall kitchen). Welcome Ministers serve as greeters welcoming everyone to worship on Sunday mornings. They help us to live up to our commitment that all are welcome here.



**TODAY – SUNDAY SCHOOL: BUILDING OUR FAITH ONE BRICK AT A TIME**  
 We will go fishing! And memorize Psalm 19:1 “The heavens declare the glory of God.” We will also learn about the calling of the disciples (Matthew 4:19) and build up our faith while having great fun with Legos!



**SEMI-ANNUAL FUNDRAISER & THANK YOU - FAMILY TO FAMILY**  
 It is time to replenish the financial soup pot! The Souper Bowl fundraising for Family to Family provided about 1,400 lunches through June. We have used every penny and are counting on your generosity to provide lunch to our hungry neighbors. We serve an average of 240 lunches once a month on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday at the Family to Family facility on the Ventura Avenue. The cost averages \$600 per month (\$2.50 per plate). Our goal is **\$4,200** which will fund the ministry through January 2019.  
*Donations may be made by cash, check or PayPal. Please note: Family to Family*

**UPDATE: \$2,089** donations received = funds the ministry through ½ of October = 835 meals! **50% of goal!**



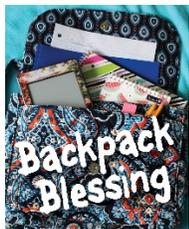
**REACH – BACK 2 SCHOOL Now through August 15<sup>th</sup>.**  
 The red REACH bags are back and ready to be filled with school supplies for K-5<sup>th</sup> grade children. Suggested items are listed and attached to the bags. This is our annual partnership with Project Understanding and the donations go to students attending their Tutoring Sites & families using their Food Pantry. Donations accepted now through August 15<sup>th</sup>. Please bring items to St. Paul's. (*Monetary donations are also welcome. Note: Back to School.*)



**OUTREACH MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY – CREA TU ESPACIO**  
 Former congregants of St. Paul's, June & Bayard Taylor are continuing their ministry in Cuenca, Ecuador, in an important partnership with St. Paul's. This organization provides childcare, job training and support to the families who have run for their lives and ended up in Ecuador. **\$2,000 in donations received!** Thank you for your support!



**AUGUST 12 – FAIR TRADE SALES:** Buy a taste of fine chocolates, tea, coffee and baskets that are from businesses committed to providing fair wages and good employment opportunities to economically disadvantaged artisans and farmers. For more information speak with Joanne at [joannewakelee@yahoo.com](mailto:joannewakelee@yahoo.com)



**AUGUST 26 - BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS**  
 Students, teachers, administrators and anyone who is starting a new chapter of life are invited to bring a symbol of this new beginning (backpacks, book bags, calendars, brief cases and other items) to lay before the altar for a blessing. All are invited at both services to join us as we lift our prayers and give thanks for new beginning and opportunities to learn and grow.



Tickets will go on sale in August!

Put on your best bib and tucker and join in the annual ace-high fundraiser.

Auction, raffle, dinner, dancing and more!

**Saturday, September 22nd 4:30 - 7:00 pm**

✓ *It's time to sign up to participate! Look for sign-up sheets in the church and the hall.*

✓ *To all Ministry Leaders - Gather your crew to put together a silent auction basket!*

- *Bible & Book Study Groups, Altar & Flower Guilds*
- *St. Paul's Men's Group & Daughters of the King*
  - *Music & Welcome Ministries*
  - *Abolitionist & Outreach Committees*

*Drop off donations August 19 – September 9*



|      |           |                                                 |
|------|-----------|-------------------------------------------------|
| 8/26 | 8 & 10:15 | Blessing of the Backpacks and New Beginnings    |
| 9/9  | 8 & 10:15 | Fall Kickoff (new program year begins)          |
| 9/22 | 4:30-7pm  | Country Hoedown Fundraiser                      |
| 10/7 | 8 & 10:15 | Blessing of the Animals Services in Kahler Hall |
| 11/4 | 8 & 10:15 | All Saints Day – with baptisms                  |



## *Did You Know?*

### *About Hymn 301:*

This much-loved Eucharist hymn by Reginald Heber was one of the sixty-five "Additional Hymns" authorized by the House of Bishops in 1865 at the request of the House of Deputies. This addition was alluded to in the title of the 1860 *Hymns for Church and Home, Compiled by Members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, as a Contribution to Any Addition That May Be Made to the Hymns Now Attached to the Prayer Book*. It is matched here with RENDEZ À DIEU a sixteenth-century Genevan psalter tune.

This brief but evocative text is based on John 6:51, 54-58. The first half of the stanza is addressed to Christ as revealed through the elements of the Eucharist and then as the one who has given us the words of life and died for our sins. The second half is a prayer to Christ for mercy to be granted to sinners and for God's sustenance in the Eucharistic feast. In its earliest printing, the words "Before the Sacrament" were placed above the hymn. [as a guide as to usage.]

The *Genevan Psalter*, also known as *The Huguenot Psalter*, is a collection of [metrical psalms](#) created under the supervision of [John Calvin](#) for liturgical use by the Reformed churches of the city of [Geneva](#) in the sixteenth century.

Before the [Protestant Reformation](#) a select group of performers generally sang the psalms during church services, not the entire congregation. [John Calvin](#) believed that the entire congregation should participate in praising God in the worship service. In the articles for the organization of the church and its worship in Geneva, dated January 16, 1537, Calvin writes: "it is a thing most expedient for the edification of the church to sing some psalms in the form of public prayers by which one prays to God or sings His praises so that the hearts of all may be roused and stimulated to make similar prayers and to render similar praises and thanks to God with a common love." For this reason he wanted to create a songbook of hymns based on the psalms in the belief that in this form these biblical text would become more easily accessible to people.

--*The Hymnal Companion 1982*