



# St. Paul's Episcopal Church

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



Online Bulletin

## The First Sunday after the Epiphany The Baptism of Our Lord Jesus Christ January 14, 2018 10:15 a.m.

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*Today's flowers are given in loving memory of GiGi Denniston.*

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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.*

*Our youngest guests are welcome to attend services or may join Miss Wendy in the nursery (room 2) where we have toys, Bible Stories, music and art projects available.*

*Our Sunday school program (K-grade 5) begins at 10am on the Labyrinth. After joining the procession in the church, our program continues in room 7 where they participate in Children's Chapel, hear a Bible story, and enjoy fun and engaging activities related to that story. Children return to the church to join their families for Eucharist.*

*Youth Group (grades 6-12) meets in the Youth Center at 10am for the opportunity to explore the Bible, express their faith through art and discuss important questions. They join us for Eucharist.*

*Again, welcome and 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**

*A Carol of Light  
How Brightly Shines the Morning Star*

*Robert J. Powell  
arr. Mark Sedio*

*Please stand at the sound of the bell*

### **Entrance Hymn**

**On Jordan's bank, the Baptist's cry**

**Hymnal 76**

## Opening Salutation

*Book of Common Prayer p. 355*

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

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

## Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **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

Genesis 1:1-5

A Reading from the Book of Genesis.

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

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

## Psalm 29

- 1 Ascribe to God, you heavenly beings, \*  
ascribe to God glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe due honor to God's holy Name; \*  
worship God in the beauty of holiness.
- 3 The voice of God is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; \*  
God is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of God is a powerful voice; \*  
the voice of God is a voice of splendor.
- 5 The voice of God breaks the cedar trees; \*  
God breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

- 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, \*  
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- 7 The voice of God splits the flames of fire; the voice of God shakes the wilderness; \*  
God shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of God makes the oak trees writhe \*  
and strips the forests bare.
- 9 And in the temple of the Holy One \*  
all are crying, "Glory!"
- 10 God sits enthroned above the flood; \*  
God sits enthroned as Sovereign for evermore.
- 11 God shall give strength to his people; \*  
God shall give his people the blessing of peace.

**Second Reading**

Acts 19:1-7

A Reading from the Book of Acts.

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?" They replied, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." Then he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They answered, "Into John's baptism." Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus." On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied— altogether there were about twelve of them.

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

**Gradual Hymn**  
*All stand to sing.*

**How bright appears the morning star**

**Hymnal 497**

**Holy Gospel**

Mark 1:4-11

*Remain standing and face the Gospel.*

*Deacon*        The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.  
*People*        **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit

descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

*Deacon*      The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*        **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## The Sermon

The Reverend Ed Steever

*A period of silent reflection follows the sermon.*

## The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

*Please stand.*

Through the Paschal mystery, dear friends, we are buried with Christ by Baptism into his death, and raised with him to newness of life. I call upon you, therefore, to renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced evil and promised to serve God faithfully in this holy catholic Church.

*Celebrant*    Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?  
*People*        **I do.**

Do you believe in God the Father?  
**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?  
**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?  
**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?  
**I will, with God's help.**

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?  
**I will, with God's help.**

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?  
**I will, with God's help.**

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?  
**I will, with God's help.**

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?  
**I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant* May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

### Thanksgiving over the Water

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

**Hymn** **Spirit divine, attend our prayers** **Hymnal 509**

*Sprinkling with holy water. If you prefer not to get sprinkled, please move to the outer aisle as we go by.*

### Prayers of the People

*Please stand or kneel as is your custom.*

*Deacon*

Through our baptism we are joined to Christ as God's beloved children. As sisters and brothers in the Spirit, let us call to God for the needs of the world and the church, saying: Lord, have mercy.

*Leader*

For the victory of justice among the nations and for the outpouring of the Spirit's gift of peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the healing of all who are gripped by loss, despair and frustration, especially as a result of the recent fires and floods, and for all who inspire them with hope and joy, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who in their illness look to us for strength and healing in Christ especially *(The people may add their petitions either silently or aloud.)* let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have died in the expectation of Christ's full victory in their life and death especially *GiGi Denniston, Richard Kay Smith (The people may add their petitions either silently or aloud.)* let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

*Deacon*

Loving God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, as your favor comes upon us, enlighten us to see those who search for the victory of your love. Make of us your gracious servants, that the world may rest in your peace and sing your praises with full hearts and voices, through the same Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit is one God, this day and forever. **Amen.**

## Confession and Absolution

Let us confess our sins to God.

*A period of silence is observed.*

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

## The Peace

*All stand as they are able.*

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

## Announcements

### Prayers for birthdays and anniversaries.

*For other prayer requests, trained lay prayer ministers will be available in the chapel or beside the candle rack during Eucharist to pray with you. Briefly state the particular concern, burden, thanksgiving, or transition you bring for yourself or someone else. Confidentiality is observed.*

## *Liturgy of the Table*

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

*Ephesians 5:2*

### Offertory

*I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*

*arr. Wayne Wold*

### Presentation Hymn

**From all that dwell below the skies (v.3)**

**Hymnal 380**

*Please stand.*

### Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

*The people remain standing.*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Sanctus**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord**

**Hymnal S125**

*The Service Music can be found in the front of the hymnal.*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*Please stand or kneel as is your custom.*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Mary, Joseph, Paul and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

### Breaking of the Bread

*A period of silence is kept.*

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

This is the Banquet of the Lord. 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 his 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 from the priest.*

*After you receive communion, you are invited to meet with our lay prayer ministers in the chapel. Briefly state the particular concern, burden, thanksgiving, or transition you bring for yourself or someone else. Confidentiality is observed. Rejoin the other worshippers for the post communion prayer.*

### Communion Music

*Shall We Gather At the River*

*Lift Every Voice and Sing 141*

*Creator of the Stars at Night*

*arr. Alexandre Guilmant*

### Eat This Bread

Taizé

Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to him and nev-er be hun - gry.  
Je - sus Christ, bread of life, those who come to you will not hun - ger.

Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in him and you will not thirst.  
Je - sus Christ, Ris - en Lord, those who trust in you will not thirst.

## Postcommunion Prayer

*Please stand or kneel as you prefer.*

Let us pray.

**Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

*When the Eucharist is being taken out to those who are sick or shut-in, we will pray together.*

**In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood. We who are many are one body, because we share one bread, one cup. Amen.**

## Blessing

May Almighty God, who led the Wise Men by the shining of a star to find Christ, the Light from Light, lead you also in your pilgrimage to find the Lord this Epiphany season; And may the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, rest upon you and remain with you this day and forevermore. **Amen.**

## Recessional Hymn

## Hail to the Lord's Anointed (vs. 1-3)

**Hymnal 616**

*Please stand.*

## Dismissal

*Deacon* Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

## Postlude

*The Bright Resounding Trumpet*

*Franklin Ritter*

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*Thank you to guest musician, Max Winters, on flügelhorn and trumpet.*

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## ***Welcome! We're so glad you're here.***

- Our ushers welcome your inquiries. They can provide assisted listening devices, information about our ministries, as well as directions to the restrooms, nursery, and classrooms.
- Please take the brochure from the pew and learn more about St. Paul's and our traditional worship, dynamic preaching and a call to serve.
- You are invited to join us for coffee and refreshments following the service and we hope you will stay for Fellowship & Formation from 11:30-noon. For information on today's topic, please see the announcements below.
- Infants and children are welcome here. Children under five years old may receive care in the nursery (room 2) from 10-noon. Parents are also welcome to keep their children with them and may have access to the nursery for their convenience. The service can be heard from the narthex (lobby) and activity bags for children can be found there.

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

### ***1/14 Serving This Week***

#### **10:15am**

<b>Acolytes</b>	India Howeth, Henry Rose, Aramis Nahabedian
<b>Chalice</b>	Drew Darby, Kay Armstrong
<b>Psalm</b>	Drew Darby
<b>Lay Readers</b>	Ralph Armstrong, Ernie Fickerson
<b>Prayers of the People</b>	Carolyn Dolen
<b>Ushers</b>	Tamara Nerdrum, Elizabeth Rose
<b>Eucharistic Prayer Ministry</b>	Marjorie & Charles Cole
<b>Vestry Greeter</b>	Paul Angelo
<b>Sunday School Leaders</b>	Heidi Trevisan, Sarah Lamola
<b>Welcome Ministry</b>	Marcia Semple
<b>Hospitality</b>	
<b>Altar Guild</b>	Pauli Powers, Ruth McCool, Louise Bretz
<b>Flower Guild</b>	Babs Brennan, Carmela Carreño, Renee Bower
<b>Counters</b>	Karyn Jackson, Marcia Semple
<b>Facility Lock Up</b>	Miles Sexton

## ***Prayer Intentions for the Week of January 14, 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, James, Jacob, Scott, Jim, Carolyn, Stephanie, Tom, Maggie, Duncan, Janet, Shelia, Frank, Julie, Helen, Kevin, Doug, Carol, Marguerite, Kathy

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

Virginia, Margery, Sheila, Carrie, Linda, Judy, Michelle, Lucille, Rachel, Kathy

*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:***

- + The ministry of Family to Family; all who volunteer and/or give financially to feed Ventura's hungry.
- + Our local public and private hospitals, and the health care professionals who serve us.
- + 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 in Deanery One: *St. Columba's*, Camarillo; *Trinity*, Fillmore; *St. Andrew's*, Ojai; *All Saints'*, Oxnard; *St. Paul's/Emmanuel*, Santa Paula; *St. Francis'*, Simi Valley; *St. Patrick's*, Thousand Oaks.
- + Our World Mission Companions in the Diocese of Wiawso: The Cathedral Church of the Ascension; the Diocese of Jerusalem and Diocese of El Salvador
- + The Ventura Interfaith Ministerial Assoc.: *Church of the Foothills*, *First Christian Church*, *Church of Christ*

***IN MEMORIAM:*** GiGi Denniston, Richard Kay Smith



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

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

<b>Today</b>	8:00 am	Rite I Sunday Service
<b>01/14</b>	9:30 am	Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 am	Rite II Service
	11:30 am	Fellowship and Formation (Kahler Hall)
	12:15pm	Abolitionist Committee (Youth Room)
	8:00 pm	AA Meeting (Kahler Hall)
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Office Closed – Martin Luther King Day</b>	
	<b>Celebrate with Community Service @ Family to Family</b>	
<b>01/15</b>	9:30 am	Family to Family (303 N Ventura Ave)
	11:30 am	Tai Chi - Beginning (Kahler Hall)
	1:00 pm	Tai Chi – Intermediate (Kahler Hall)
	8:00 pm	AA Meeting (Kahler Hall)
<b>Tues.</b>	1:00 pm	Comprehensive Growth Committee (Room 13)
<b>01/16</b>	6:30 pm	Boy Scout Troop (Kahler Hall & Youth Room)
<b>Wed.</b>	9:00 am	Healing Service (Chapel)
<b>01/17</b>	10:30 am	Bible Study (Library)
	11:30 pm	Tai Chi - Beginning (Kahler Hall)
	1:00 pm	Tai Chi – Intermediate (Kahler Hall)
	6:00 pm	Finance Committee (Room 13)
	8:00 pm	AA Meeting (Youth Room)
<b>01/18</b>	11:00 am	Ladies Lunch Bunch (Marie Calendar's)
<b>Thurs.</b>	7:00 pm	Family Promise (Kahler Hall)
	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
<b>Fri.</b>	6:30 am	Men's Bible Study (Main Street Steakhouse Restaurant)
<b>01/19</b>	9:15 am	Women's Bible Study (Library)
<b>Sat</b>	6:45 pm	AA Meeting (Youth Room)
<b>01/20</b>		

### 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 -

Follow & Post to Twitter: @stpaulsventura

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Like & Share Facebook Page: St. Paul's Ventura

## 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 Eunice Koch

10:15

Today's Vestry Greeter is Paul Angelo.

*Please come say hello.*

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

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



**THIS SUNDAY:** Thank you to today's musician Max Winters on flügelhorn and trumpet and cantor Diego Magaña.

**NEXT SUNDAY:** Come and enjoy the beautiful organ and piano music.



#### **TODAY - FAIR TRADE SALES**

After Sunday services. Buy a taste of fine chocolates and coffee that are from businesses committed to providing fair wages and good employment opportunities to economically disadvantaged artisans and farmers. Sponsored by St. Paul's Abolitionist Committee. For more information speak with Joanne at [joannewaklee@yahoo.com](mailto:joannewaklee@yahoo.com)



#### **TODAY – St. Paul's Abolitionist Committee Meets**

You are invited to meet at 12:15 in the Youth Room behind Kahler Hall kitchen.



**MONDAY - FAMILY-TO-FAMILY :** Come serve a hot lunch tomorrow, Monday, **January 15** at 303 N. Ventura Avenue. Paula is our volunteer coordinator. Preparation and set up begins at 9:30 am; servers are needed between 11:30 and 12:30 pm. *We are asking for 2 additional organizers to each take over one Monday per quarter. It is simple, the shopping list is easy, the meal appreciated and a great team of volunteers.* Prayerfully consider and direct your questions to Paula.



**JANUARY 18 - LADIES LUNCH BUNCH:** All women of St. Paul's and their friends are invited to join us for our monthly Ladies Lunch Bunch at Marie Calendar's. We gather at 11am and order at 11:30. We always have a wonderful time, and we would be very pleased for you to join us. Please RSVP to Marjorie, Ruth, Pam or the Office.



### 1ST MONDAY BOOK CLUB

January's selection is The Keeper of Lost Things by Ruth Hogan. It is a fictional story of "an unforgettable cast of characters and a heartwarming read about second chances, endless possibilities, and joyful discoveries."

With all of the stress of December, we decided a light, joyful, easy read was the best choice. It has excellent reviews on Goodreads too. We will meet **February 5th** to discuss. We gather at Panera Bread at 5pm for food and drink. Discussion starts around 5:30pm. Contact Paula Robertson with any questions. Parishioners & friends are invited. (Sponsored by Daughters of the King.)

## Opportunities



### LAUNDRY LOVE – SPECIAL DATES ADDED FOR THOMAS FIRE SUPPORT

Volunteers are needed to serve the guests. Just bring your welcoming, sympathetic ear and assist in handling the money and supplies. Pick up a flyer in the narthex (lobby) or in Kahler Hall with dates and times. This is a simple ministry that has a big impact on those in need and those who minister. Check it out!



**DIOCESAN FIRE & FLOOD RELIEF FUND:** Under the direction of Bishop Diocesan John H. Taylor, the Diocese of Los Angeles has started a relief fund that will assist people -- particularly the poor and homeless--in the diocese affected by the recent fires and floods. Donations may be made online at [www.EDLAFireHelp.org](http://www.EDLAFireHelp.org); or by checks made payable to the Diocese of Los Angeles ("Fire/Flood Relief Fund" in the memo line) and sent to the Cathedral Center of St. Paul, 840 Echo Park Avenue, Los Angeles 90026.



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**EPISCOPAL RELIEF & DEVELOPMENT (ERD)** is also receiving donations for relief work in the impacted areas. Make contributions online at: [www.episcopalrelief.org](http://www.episcopalrelief.org) or mail checks to Episcopal Relief & Development, PO Box 7058, Merrifield, VA 22116-7058.



**ST. PAUL'S RECTOR'S DISCRETIONARY ACCOUNT:** We continue to receive donations to help those less fortunate in our community. Note "Fire/Flood Relief" in the memo line of your check or Paypal transaction to St. Paul's and it will be used specifically for those impacted.



**PIANO CONCERT – SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25:** Althea Waites will play a piano recital here on February 25<sup>th</sup>, featuring works by favorite composers such as Bach, Beethoven and Chopin as well as modern composer, Tania Leon. Ms. Waites has been acclaimed throughout the United States, Europe and Asia as a brilliant soloist, chamber musician and collaborative artist. In addition to performances on many of the world's prestigious concert stages, she has also appeared in recital at major festivals including Aspen, Tanglewood, the Idyllwild Arts Festival in Southern California and the Yale Summer Festival at Norfolk, Connecticut.

### SAVE THE DATES

Sunday, **January 28** Annual Meeting @ 11:30 Kahler Hall

Wednesday, **February 14** Ash Wednesday

Sunday, **February 25** Piano Concert

Sunday, **March 25** Palm Sunday

Sunday, **April 1** Easter Sunday

