



St. Paul's Episcopal Church

We follow Jesus, welcome all and nurture ministries.



Online Bulletin

The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost:

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July 8, 2018 10:15 a.m.

Today's flowers are given in memory of Beryl Hunter's birthday by her daughter, Camille Hunter.

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 Summer Sunday school program (K-grade 5) begins at 10am in Kahler Hall where they participate in Building Our Faith: One Brick at a Time. Children return to the church for Eucharist and then continue their program in Kahler Hall.

Summer Youth Group (grades 6-12) is invited to join in the Summer Sunday school program as a participant or leader, join the Pick-up Choir, serve as Acolytes, or usher or simply enjoy attending the service.

Again, welcome and please let us know if there's anything we can do to make your time with us more enriching and enjoyable.

Holy Eucharist

Liturgy of the Word

Prelude

Elegy

Dennis Eliot

Please stand at the sound of the bell

Processional

Love divine, all loves excelling

Hymnal 657

Opening Salutation

Book of Common Prayer (BCP) p. 355

Celebrant
People

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

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; 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

Ezekiel 2:1-5

A Reading from the Book of Ezekiel.

The Lord said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord GOD." Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

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

Psalm 123

- 1 To you I lift up my eyes, *
to you enthroned in the heavens.
- 2 As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, *
and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,
- 3 So our eyes look to the LORD our God, *
until he show us his mercy.
- 4 Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy, *
for we have had more than enough of contempt,
- 5 Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, *
and of the derision of the proud.

A Reading from the Second Letter to the Corinthians.

I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows— was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn

Breathe on me, Breath of God

Hymnal 508

All stand to sing.

Holy Gospel

Mark 6:1-13

Remain standing and face the Gospel.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, “Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?” And they took offense at him. Then Jesus said to them, “Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house.” And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, “Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.” So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

A period of silent reflection follows the sermon.

Nicene Creed

BCP p. 358

All stand and together say

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic¹ and apostolic² Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Please stand or kneel as is your custom.

Deacon

Friends in Christ, God invites us to hold the needs of our sisters and brothers as our own needs. Loving our neighbors as ourselves, we offer our thanksgivings and our petitions on behalf of the church and the world.

Leader

Father, we pray for your holy Church:

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

¹ universal; all embracing.

² relating to the Apostles; following their teachings.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble, especially those affected by the fires and floods;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and the needs of others.

(The people may add silently their own prayer petitions.)

Deacon

God of judgement and mercy, when we hide ourselves in shame, you seek us out in love. Grant us the fullness of your forgiveness, that as one people, united by your grace, we may stand with Christ against the powers of evil. **Amen.**

Confession

BCP p. 360

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor

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.**

Prayers for birthdays and anniversaries.

For other prayer requests, trained lay prayer ministers will be available in the chapel 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

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

BCP p. 377

Offertory Anthem *Poem* *Gilbert Martin*

Presentation Hymn **I love thy kingdom, Lord** **Hymnal 524**
Please stand.

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer C
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.**

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus **Santo, santo, santo** **Wonder, Love & Praise 785**

Holy, holy, holy, my heart, my heart adores you!

My heart is glad to say the words: you are holy, Lord.

Santo, santo, santo, mi Corazon teadora!

Mi Corazon te sabe decir: santo eres Señor.

Holy, holy, holy, my heart, my heart adores you!

My heart is glad to say the words: you are holy, Lord.

Please stand or kneel as is your custom.

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,
We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers; God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebekah, Jacob, Leah, Rachel, Bilhah and Zilpah; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.
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.

The 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 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.

Trained lay prayer ministers are stationed in the chapel to pray with you. 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

*In Heavenly Love Abiding
Gift of Finest Wheat*

*arr. Gilbert Martin
arr. David Cherwien*

Post Communion Prayer

Please stand or kneel as you prefer.

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. 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 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

Please stand.

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord

Hymnal 637

Announcements

Please be seated.

Dismissal

Please stand.

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

Postlude

Trumpet Tune

Michael A. Johnson

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Many thanks to guest musician, Louise Bretz and to the Reverend Toni Stuart for joining us today.

After serving several congregations in the Diocese of Los Angeles, the Rev. Toni Stuart was Vicar at the Chapel of St. Francis in Atwater Village and rector at St. Matthew's in Sacramento. She is now retired and lives in Carpinteria where she writes and helps look after the harbor seals at the rookery.

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.
- 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.

Check out next Sunday's readings (Track 2) at 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

Acolytes	Charlotte Bretz, Marina Bretz, Ti Nahabedian
Chalice	Roger Crow, Kay Armstrong
Psalm	Roger Crow
Lay Readers	Ralph Armstrong, Lori Redding
Prayers of the People	Judy Wareham
Eucharistic Prayer Ministers	Marjorie & Charles Cole
Ushers	Steve Jones, Dan Wakelee
Sunday School Leaders	Elena Kennedy, Sarah and Gaby Jackson
Welcome Ministry	Kay Armstrong
Hospitality	Miles & Kathy Sexton, Rob & Susan Talmadge, Teddy & Laura Andrews
Altar Guild	Dela Parker, Louise Bretz, Roger Crow, Vicki Paul
Flower Guild	Grace & Rosie Dunlevy, Anna & Pippa Darby, Laura Andrews
Counters	Louise Bretz
Facility Lock Up	Greg Jackson

Highlights of This Week at St. Paul's

Today 7/8	8:00 am	Rite I Sunday Service
	9:40 am	Choir Warm-up (Music Room)
	10:00 am	Summer Sunday School (Kahler Hall)
	10:30 am	Rite II Service
	11:30 am	Fellowship & Formation (Kahler Hall)
	12:15 pm	Abolitionist Committee (Youth Room)
	8:00 pm	AA Meeting (Kahler Hall)
Monday 7/9	11:30 am	Tai Chi – Beginning (Kahler Hall)
	1:00 pm	Tai Chi – Intermediate (Kahler Hall)
	8:00 pm	AA Meeting (Kahler Hall)
Tues. 7/10	5:30 pm	Boy Scout Troup #179
Wed. 7/11	11:30 am	Tai Chi – Beginning (Kahler Hall)
	1:00 pm	Tai Chi – Intermediate (Kahler Hall)
	8:00 pm	AA Meeting (Youth Room)
Thurs. 7/12		
Fri. 7/13	6:30 am	Men's Bible Study (Main Street Steakhouse Restaurant)
	9:15 am	Women's Bible Study (Library)
Sat 7/14	6:45 pm	AA Meeting (Youth Room)

Prayer Intentions for the Week of July 8, 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, 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:

- + The ministry of prayer, study and service of St. Paul's Men's Group, the Daughters of the King, Bible & study groups.
- + 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, Deanery One in Santa Barbara County: *St. Mary's, Lompoc; St. Mark's, Los Olivos; All Saints; Christ the King, Trinity, Santa Barbara; St. Peter's, Santa Maria; St. Michael's Mission & campus ministry at UCSB in Isla Vista, Mount Calvary Monastery & Retreat House, Santa Barbara.*
- + Our World Mission Companions: *Ankwanda Village in the Diocese of Cape Coast, and the Dioceses of Sunyani & Wiawso, Ghana*
- + The Ventura Interfaith Ministerial Assoc.: *Church of the Foothills, First Christian Church, Church of Christ*

IN MEMORIAM: Charles Fletcher

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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 Vicki Paul

10:15 Miles & Cathy Sexton, Rob & Susan Talmadge,
Laura & Teddy Andrews

*(Next week for hospitality: 8 am – Bill Brewer 10:15 am –Nate & Anne
Alday, Bruce & Judy Kelly, Greg & Karyn Jackson)*

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: Louise Bretz, flute Sara Edwards, organ

Both services – St. Paul's parishioner, Louise Bretz, will play the flute accompanied by Sara Edwards on the organ.

Next Sunday:

Choir member Natalie Epelone will sing Schubert's famous *Ave Maria* and Mozart's *Laudate Dominum*. (10:15)

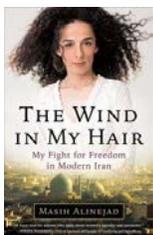


JULY 15 - FAIR TRADE SALES: After Sunday services. Buy a taste of fine chocolates, tea and coffee that are from businesses committed to providing fair wages and good employment opportunities to economically disadvantaged artisans and farmers. For more information speak with Joanne at joannewakelee@yahoo.com



SUMMER PICK UP CHOIR

Want to get a taste of the choir but can't commit year round? Join us at 9:40am on any Sunday you want until September. Meet in the Music Room for a brief warm-up and to familiarize yourself with the hymns for the day. We will then sing the hymns together from the back. Talk to Felix if you have questions.



1ST MONDAY BOOK CLUB – JULY SELECTION

The July Selection is The Wind in My Hair by Masih Alinejad. An Iranian journalist in exile discusses leaving her country, challenging tradition, and sparking an online movement against compulsory hijab. A testament to a spirit that remains unbroken, and an enlightening, intimate invitation into a world we don't know nearly enough about. Meet at Panera Bread on Telephone Rd on **August 6th** at 5:30pm.

OUTREACH MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY - JULY

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 economic and legal education to migrants in Cuenca, Ecuador many of whom have fled from other countries like Venezuela, Columbia and Peru to escape drug lords and gangs. This organization provides childcare, job training and support to the families who have run for their lives and ended up in Ecuador.

Donations for *Crea Tu Espacio* can be made payable to St. Paul's with the designation "for CTE". Cash, check, PayPal are all accepted. For more information, please find the handouts that are located in Kahler Hall. Donations are accepted through the month of July. Thank you for your support!

SAVE THE DATE!
for footloose fundraising fun
HOEDOWN



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.*

Save the Dates

- 8/26 8 & 10:15 Blessing of the Backpacks and New Beginnings
- 8/31 LA Dodgers Episcopal Night
- 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
- 11:45 am Blessing of the Animals Services in Kahler Hall

Dodger Night is Friday, **August 31**, at **7pm Dodgers vs. Arizona Diamondbacks**. Tickets are **\$25**. Contact the office if you are interested in going.



The following will be on hiatus in July
 WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY WEDNESDAY HEALING SERVICE
 LADIES LUNCH BUNCH
 MEETINGS: FINANCE COMMITTEE, VESTRY, BUILDINGS & GROUNDS, RISK
 MANAGEMENT

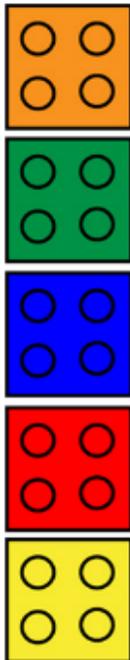
Summer Services will be powerful, uplifting and run only about one hour. Join us for interesting lessons, moving sermons and great fellowship with friends old and new. We are so blessed to live here! Come to church and still have time to hit the beach and catch some waves!

Building Our Faith

ONE BRICK AT A TIME

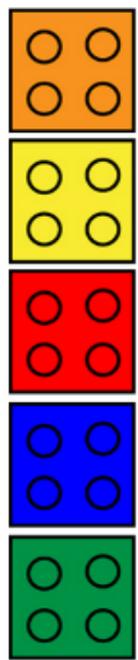
**Sunday Mornings This Summer
 10 – 11:30 a.m. in Kahler Hall**

June 24 – August 26



This week in Sunday School:

-  We made fingerprint art
-  Sang our theme song, Jesus You're my Superhero
-  Memorized Philippians 4:4
"Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, rejoice!"
-  Learned that we are God's masterpieces.
 (Ephesians 2:10)
-  ...and built up our faith while having great fun with Legos!



Join us for more fun today!



Did You Know?

"Love divine, all loves excelling" by Rowland Hugh Prichard and Charles Wesley

The melody *Hyfrydol*, is a tune composed by the Welsh musician Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887). The word "hyfrydol" means "joyful", was composed around 1830, and was first published in Prichard's collection, *Cyfaill y Cantorion* (The Singer's Friend) in 1844 and later in *Halelwiah Drachefn* (Hallelujah Again) in 1855. *Hyfrydol* is a popular and versatile melody with other hymn texts paired with it, among them "Alleluia, Sing to Jesus" in *The Hymnal 1982* (#460). Specifically, it appears in **1,328** of the North American hymnals indexed by the online *Dictionary of North American Hymnology*.

The text, "Love divine, all loves excelling" was written by Charles Wesley, (an English leader of the Methodist movement, most widely known for writing 6,500 hymns.) "Love divine..." first appeared in Wesley's *Hymns for those that Seek, and those that Have Redemption* (Bristol, 1747), apparently intended as a Christianization of the song "Fairest Isle" sung by Venus in Act 5 of John Dryden and Henry Purcell's semi-opera, *King Arthur* (1691), on which Wesley's first stanza is modeled.

Theology: Like many hymns, *Love Divine* is loosely Trinitarian in organization: Christ is invoked in the first stanza as the expression of divine love; the Holy Spirit in the second stanza as the agent of sanctification "let us all thy life receive"; the Father in the third stanza as the source of life; as well as the Trinity (presumably) as the joint Creator of the New Creation. Like many hymns, too, this one is a fabric of Biblical quotations, from Revelation 21:6; the casting of crowns before God's throne, from Revelation 4:10; the promise that Christians shall be "changed from glory into glory", from 2 Corinthians 3:18; as well as other, more general allusions.

Further note: The very last words of this 3-stanza version (the hymn has gone through many theologically-motivated alterations) "wonder, love, and praise," is a fitting title of a supplementary hymnal for the Episcopal Church, *Wonder, Love, & Praise* published in 1997.

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