



# St. Paul's Episcopal Church

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



*Online Bulletin*

## The Last Sunday after Pentecost

### Christ the King

**Proper 29 Year B**

**November 25, 2018 8 a.m.**

### *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.*

## **Holy Eucharist** *Liturgy of the Word*

### **Prelude**

*Praeambulum  
To Greet the King*

*Heinrich Scheidemann  
David Paxton*

*Please stand at the sound of the bell.*

### **Processional Hymn**

**Crown him with many crowns**

**Hymnal 494**

### **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.

**Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards all.**

**We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.**

**O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.**

**Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.**

**For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

### **Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for 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**

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

A Reading from the Book of Daniel

As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne, his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgment, and the books were opened. As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 93

- 1 The LORD is King;  
he has put on splendid apparel; \*  
the LORD has put on his apparel  
and girded himself with strength.
- 2 He has made the whole world so sure \*  
that it cannot be moved;
- 3 Ever since the world began, your throne has been established; \*  
you are from everlasting.
- 4 The waters have lifted up, O LORD,  
the waters have lifted up their voice; \*  
the waters have lifted up their pounding waves.
- 5 Mightier than the sound of many waters,  
mightier than the breakers of the sea, \*  
mightier is the LORD who dwells on high.
- 6 Your testimonies are very sure, \*  
and holiness adorns your house, O LORD,  
for ever and for evermore.

## Second Reading

Revelation 1:4b-8

A Reading from the Revelation to John.

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

## Holy Gospel

John 18:33-37

*Please stand.*

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

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

Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

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

BCP p. 328

*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, Adele, Babs, Brenda, Grace, James, Jacob, Carolyn, Jan, Priscilla, Duncan, Frank, Julie, Liz, Bruce, Charly, Paul, Carol, Stacy, Mary, Kathie, and Tom.** *And those enduring a long term illness especially Virginia, Margery, Sheila, Carrie, Linda, Judy, Michelle, Kevin, Mary, Kathy, Doug, Rob, 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.

*(See page 8 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 Paul Beason, and others 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.**

#### **Announcements**

*Please be seated.*

#### **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**

*He is the King of Kings*

*Traditional Spiritual, arr. Colin Curtis*

#### **Presentation Hymn**

**Alleluia! Sing to Jesus (v. 1-3)**

**Hymnal 460**

*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 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 from the priest.*

### Communion

*Voluntary  
Auf meinen lieben Gott*

*Händel  
John N. Hanff*

### Post Communion Prayer

BCP p. 339

*Please stand or kneel as you prefer.*

### Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift his countenance upon you and grant you peace. 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.**

### Recessional Hymn

**Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates**

**Hymnal 436**

*Please stand.*

### Dismissal

BCP p. 339

*Please stand*

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

### Postlude

*Lead On, O King Eternal/Jesus Shall Reign*

*Thygerson/Haan*

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*Thank you to our guest musician, Hayley King, trombone.*

### 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

## *Serving This Week 11/25/18* *8:00am*

<b>Acolytes</b>	Jo Ellen Heil
<b>Chalice</b>	Peter Bowers, Jo Ellen Heil
<b>Psalm</b>	Jo Ellen Heil
<b>Lay Readers</b>	Judy & Tom Drew
<b>Prayers of the People</b>	Peter Bowers
<b>Ushers</b>	Roger Myers, Sally Weimer
<b>Hospitality Sponsors</b>	Vicki Paul

<b>Altar Guild</b>	Pauli Powers, Ruth McCool, Rose Hayden-Smith, Rob Butler
<b>Flower Guild</b>	Valerie and Allie Ortiz, Rose Hayden-Smith
<b>Counters</b>	Marcia Semple
<b>Facility Lock Up</b>	Woody Bretz

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

<b>Today</b> <b>11/25</b>	8:00 am	Rite I Sunday Service
	9:30 am	Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)
	10:30 am	Rite II Service
	4:30 pm	Abundant Table Farm Church (Chapel, Kahler Hall)
	8:00 pm	AA Meeting (Kahler Hall)
<b>Monday</b> <b>11/26</b>	11:30 am	Tai Chi – Beginning (Kahler Hall)
	1:00 pm	Tai Chi – Intermediate (Kahler Hall)
	6:30 pm	Exploring Our Faith (Room 13)
	8:00 pm	AA Meeting (Kahler Hall)
<b>Tues.</b> <b>11/27</b>	6:30 pm	Altar Guild (Library)
<b>Wed.</b> <b>11/28</b>	9:00 am	Healing Service (Chapel)
	10:30 am	Bible Study (Library)
	11:30 am	Tai Chi – Beginning (Kahler Hall)
	1:00 pm	Tai Chi – Intermediate (Kahler Hall)
	6:30 pm	Vestry Meeting (Room 13)
	6:30 pm	AA Meeting (Community Room)
	8:00 pm	AA Meeting (Community Room)
<b>Thurs.</b> <b>11/29</b>	5:30 pm	Meditation Workshop (Library)
	6:30 pm	AA 12-Step Workshop (Kahler Hall)
	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)
<b>Fri.</b> <b>11/30</b>	6:30 am	Men's Bible Study (Main Street Steakhouse Restaurant)
	9:15 am	Women's Bible Study (Library)
<b>Sat</b> <b>12/1</b>	6:45 pm	AA Meeting (Community Room)

## ***Prayer Intentions for the Week of November 25, 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, Adele, Babs, Brenda, Grace, James, Jacob, Carolyn, Jan, Priscilla, Duncan, Frank, Julie, Liz, Bruce, Charly, Paul, Carol, Stacy, Mary, Kathie, Tom

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

Virginia, Margery, Sheila, Carrie, Linda, Judy, Michelle, Kevin, Mary, Kathy, Doug, Rob, 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 spiritual, physical and moral development of our children and youth; the children, youth, and adult leaders of our Sunday School, Youth Group, Boy Scout Troop 179; La Famiglia Preschool and VCSAGE.
- + The Vestry's leadership that our parish's mission may be accomplished. Our 2018 vestry members and officers are Paul Angelo, Kay Armstrong, Peter Bowers (Junior Warden), Kathleen Crookston, Drew Darby, Grace Dunlevy, Cheri Gonzales, Bob Gold, Sarah Lamola, Ruth McCool, Ian McEwan, Miles Sexton (Senior Warden), Greg Jackson (Treasurer), Paula Robertson (Clerk).
- + 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.: *Unitarian/Universalist, Center for Spiritual Living, AnLac Mission (Buddhist), Mormon Church*

### ***IN MEMORIAM:***

Paul Beason



### **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  
Sara Edwards, Organist  
Paula Robertson, Parish Administrator  
Kathleen Jensen, Assistant Administrator  
Lisa Devine, Minister for Family Faith Formation

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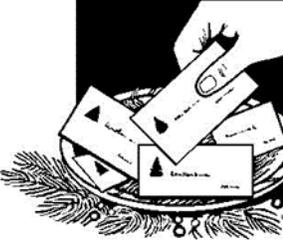
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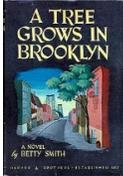
*Thank you for joining us today!  
 As Ventura works to recover and find the way forward after fire and flood,  
 St. Paul's is here to help.  
 We're praying for you every day.  
 Please let us know what else you need. God bless you!*

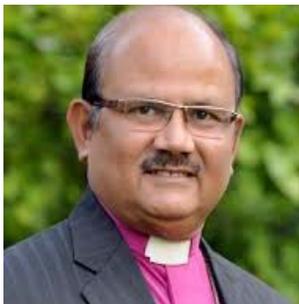


Please help us thank the following people  
 for our refreshments this morning:  
 8:00 am **Vicki Paul**  
 10:15 am **Dan & Joanne Wakelee, Judy Wareham**  
*(Next week for hospitality: 8am – Dela Parker, Bill Brewer  
 10:15 am – Javier & Valerie Ortiz, Norm & Pam Owens, Renee Bower)*  
 If you would like to serve on our hospitality team, please let us know.

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

 <p style="text-align: center;"><b>MUSIC at ST. PAUL'S</b></p> 	<p><b>TODAY:</b> St. Paul's hymn <i>Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!</i>, the choir chanting the psalm, and original composition by St. Paul's Music Minister Dr. Felix Eisenhauer will all create a festive atmosphere as we celebrate Christ the King! (10:15)</p> <p><b>NEXT SUNDAY:</b> Guest musician, Caitlin Boruch, will play the flute at both services, as we begin the waiting and sing, <i>O come, O come, Emmanuel.</i></p>
	<p><b>GIVING TUESDAY</b>      Celebrate the international day of giving and support St. Paul's many ministries and reach into the community. Donate through our website <a href="http://www.saintpaulsventura.org">www.saintpaulsventura.org</a>, send in a check or.....  <b>*New* Text StPaulsVentura to 73256</b> to give to Mission &amp; Ministry using your text messaging. Standard text message rates do apply.</p>
	<p><b>ALTAR GUILD MEETING – Tuesday, November 27, 6:30pm</b>      Let's get ready for Advent and Christmas. Meet in the Library at 6:30pm on Tuesday evening, November 27.</p>
	<p><b>YOUR DONATIONS ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED!</b> Your generous donations help us in so many ways, and we are very grateful.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Donations for Christmas Flowers &amp; Music</li> <li>- Christmas Offerings</li> <li>- End of the Year Gifts</li> </ul> <p>Donate via our website <a href="http://www.saintpaulsventura.org">www.saintpaulsventura.org</a> or by check or by text. Your gifts and those before you continue to keep our mission and ministry thriving for over 129 years.  <b>Thank you so much!</b></p>
	<p><b>Thank you!</b> Thank you to Elena, Jim, Linda, John, Amanda, Joseph, Larry, Shirley, Ian, Dan, Joanne, Gloria, Bery amd Julie!!! We had a great time getting the space ready and preparing and serving lunch to our hungry neighbors! 250 plates were served. Thank you to the Subway on Thompson (Von's shopping center) for the Chicken Breast sandwiches. If you have questions about this rewarding local ministry, contact Elena Kennedy, volunteer coordinator. <b>December 17<sup>th</sup></b> is the next serving opportunity.</p>

	<p><b>UNITED THANK OFFERING – MONTH OF NOVEMBER</b>  Your thanksgivings unite with others’ prayers and thankful quarters, dimes and dollars from across The Episcopal Church to support God’s mission around the world. At the end of the month, when your box is full, bring in the coins or put a check in a UTO envelope (made out to St. Paul’s with UTO noted on the memo line) and we will forward to UTO. UTO Box/Envelope are available in the church lobby and Kahler Hall. Find the UTO Gratitude Challenge at <a href="https://www.episcopalchurch.org/library/document/november-2018-gratitude-challenge-united-thank-offering">https://www.episcopalchurch.org/library/document/november-2018-gratitude-challenge-united-thank-offering</a></p>
	<p><b>FIRST MONDAY BOOK CLUB – November Selection</b>  The November selection is <i>A Tree Grows in Brooklyn</i> by Betty Smith. This classic focuses on an impoverished but aspirational adolescent girl and her family living in Williamsburg, Brooklyn, New York City, during the first two decades of the 20th century. Meet at Panera Bread on Telephone Rd on <b>December 3<sup>rd</sup></b> at 5pm for food and 5:30pm for discussion. All women are welcome! <i>Sponsored by Daughters of the King.</i></p>
	<p><b>DIOCESE FIRE AND MUDSLIDE RELIEF FUND</b> – Donations may be made online at <a href="http://www.edlagives.org">www.edlagives.org</a> to provide aid to the region’s low-income and otherwise most vulnerable who might not otherwise receive relief amid the disaster of the recent fires.</p>



**ANNUAL BISHOP’S VISIT – SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9**

**A BISHOP IS COMING!**

The Right Rev. Samuel Azariah will be with us for the 10:15am service on Sunday, December 9. Those who seek baptism, confirmation or reception into the Episcopal Church, please contact the church office. Stay for after the service for Fellowship & Formation to meet the Bishop.

St. Paul’s Episcopal Church Presents

## Exploring our Faith

*For those who seek to be Confirmed or Received into the Episcopal Church,  
newcomers who are curious  
and anyone who wants to join us in exploring our faith.*

**Monday Evenings**  
2 sessions remain  
11/26, & 12/3  
**6:30-8pm in the Library**

***Confirmations and Receptions will be Offered at St. Paul’s  
During the Bishop’s Visit on Sunday, December 9, 2018***



*You’re welcome to bring your dinner with you.*

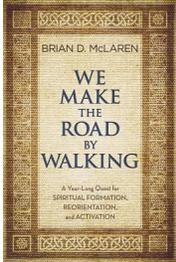
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| 11/26/18 | Session 4 | The Episcopal Church – What do we do?<br>God the Holy Spirit: the breath of new life                 |
| 12/3/18  | Session 5 | The Episcopal Church – How do we view the Bible?<br>Our lives as 21 <sup>st</sup> Century Christians |

# Advent Season

## Events

	<p><b>PARISH CHRISTMAS PARTY: December 16</b> Bring your friends and neighbors and join us on Sunday at 11:30 a.m. in Kahler Hall for a Christmas Carol Sing-Along &amp; Cookie Decorating Party. All are welcome!</p>
	<p><b>4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT SERVICE:</b> <b>December 23, One Service Only at 9am</b> Join us in the church this morning before the great celebration begins.</p>
	<p><b>ALL HANDS ON DECK TO DECK THE HALLS:</b> <b>GREENING OF THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS EVE: December 23</b> Join us for a continental breakfast and then help us to transform the church in preparation for Christmas. The Greening takes place Sunday after the 9am service from <b>10:30am – 1:30pm</b>. Sign-up sheets are in the narthex and in Kahler Hall. <b>We need your help!</b></p>
	<p><b>THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS EVE: December 23</b> Come and enjoy the peace and beauty of the church on the night before Christmas Eve. We will gather at <b>7 pm</b> for quiet music, bedtime stories and prayers. Children are invited to come in their jammies and bring pillows and blankets. Come get centered and connect with the spirit of Christmas before the festivities begin.</p>

## Opportunities

	<p><b>ADVENT REFLECTION AND GROUP STUDY:</b> <b>Wednesday Mornings 10:30am Library</b> The Wednesday Morning Bible Study will be meeting weekly using the book <u>We Make the Road by Walking</u> by Brian McLaren. This book offers everything you need to explore what a difference an honest, living, growing faith can make in our world today. All are welcome to join us. Those who are interested are also invited to join us for the Healing Service offered at 9am on Wednesday mornings. Together or separately, these are wonderful spiritual practices, and we would love to have you join us as we prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ.</p>
	<p><b>ADVENT &amp; CHRISTMAS FLOWERS &amp; MUSIC:</b> If you would like to contribute to the flowers and music for our Advent season &amp; Christmas Eve services, please place your donation in the offering plate with 'Flowers &amp; Music' noted in the memo line of your check or offering envelope. You may also send it to the office or donate via the website/PayPal/Text <b>no later than December 17</b>. Be sure to note whether the donation is in memory or honor of a loved one and whether you would like it included in the service bulletins.</p>
	<p><b>LAST CALL - COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS SHOPPE by Action:</b> We are collecting new, unwrapped toys for the shoppe. For gift ideas, choose a tag from the tree in the lobby. The toys will be picked up <b>December 5</b>. There are many volunteers needed the day of the event- to set up the day before and to serve during the shoppe on <b>December 15</b> from 8:30 am – 1:00 pm. Sign up at: <a href="http://actionvc.org/community-christmas-shoppe/">http://actionvc.org/community-christmas-shoppe/</a> or call (805) 647-3757. The event will be held at Orchard Community Church 8180 Telephone Rd., Ventura.</p>
	<p><b>COATS FOR ALL</b> We are collecting new or gently used coats and jackets of all sizes <b>now through the end of the year!</b> Coats will be cleaned and distributed to people in need through local churches and non-profits. The drive is sponsored by the Downtown Chapter of the Rotary Club. The donation box is located in the narthex (church lobby).</p>

# *Christmas Services*



## **Christmas Eve at St. Paul's**

### **4:00 p.m. Family Service**

This is a friendly service that is especially appropriate for families and children of all ages.

### **10:00 p.m. Candlelight Service**

Carols begin at 10 p.m., the service begins at 10:30 p.m. This service includes: traditional Christmas lessons, candlelight, choir and Eucharist.

## **Christmas Day**

### **9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist**

Join us for a beautiful service on this holy day.

## **Your Advent & Christmas Calendar**

### ***December***

<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	Sunday, Advent 1	
<b>5<sup>th</sup></b>	Wednesday	Advent Study Begins-10:30am Library Deadline to donate new toys to Community Christmas Shoppe
<b>9<sup>th</sup></b>	Sunday, Advent 2	Bishop Azariah visit. Confirmations (10:15am) Fair Trade Chocolate Stocking Stuffers Sale-11:30am Kahler Hall
<b>15<sup>th</sup></b>	Saturday	Community Christmas Shoppe by Action-8:30am Community Orchard Church
<b>16<sup>th</sup></b>	Sunday, Advent 3	Parish Christmas Party-11:45am Kahler Hall
<b>17<sup>th</sup></b>	Monday	Family to Family-9:30am, 303 N. Ventura Ave. Deadline for Music & Flower Donations
<b>23<sup>rd</sup></b>	Sunday, Advent 4	Service with Eucharist-9am Greening of the Church, 10:30am The Night Before Christmas Eve, 7pm
<b>24<sup>th</sup></b>	Christmas Eve	Family Service-4pm Candlelight Service-10pm Carols & Music, 10:30pm Service with Eucharist
<b>25<sup>th</sup></b>	Christmas Day	Service with Eucharist-9am Sanctuary
<b>30<sup>th</sup></b>	Sunday, Christmas 1	Services-8am, 10:15am