



ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

We follow Jesus, nurture ministries and welcome all.



Online Bulletin

Easter Sunday

April 9, 2023 at 10:15 a.m.

Service offered both in-person and online

Welcome! Sunday Services are offered each week at 10:15am. You have the option of attending in-person or online at: www.StPaulsVentura.org/live, www.YouTube.com/StPaulsVentura, www.Facebook.com/SaintPaulsVentura.

Safety Protocols – In keeping with CDC and county guidelines, masks are not required, but still strongly encouraged. Please carefully consider what is best for you and your family. Because some among us are at higher risk and continue to need some additional distance, we've reserved the chapel side of the sanctuary for those with masks. Masks are optional on the Loma Vista side. We hope this will make it possible for everyone find a place in the church where they can feel safe and comfortable. Thank you for your understanding. You are a shining example of what LOVE looks like.

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. We invite you to sing, pray and read along with us through the service. The words in bold are the ones we'll all say together. The best way to keep up with everything that's going on at St. Paul's is to subscribe to our Email Newsletter. If you don't receive it and would like to be added to the list, please come see us at the Welcome Table or contact the office.

Our Sunday School program (for children ages 2 years-grade 5) begins at 10am. Children are invited to join Miss Bailey and Miss Wendy to 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.

Once again, welcome! We're glad that you're worshipping with us. Let us know if you have any questions, prayer requests or need the services of a priest. We are always glad to hear from you. Meanwhile, know that you are in our prayers. We wish you all a very safe and blessed week.



The angels are dancing again...

Listen carefully, you just might hear the angels dancing on the roof!

As things heat up, the beams in our beautiful church ceiling expand and creak. No worries! It's just part of this wonderful building's charm. For years, some of our members have said to each other, "Listen, the angels are dancing on the roof again!"

Today's flowers were given through the generosity of many of our members.

Please see their dedications in the announcements section of this bulletin.

If you'd like to arrange for flowers given in memory or thanksgiving, please contact the church office. Thank you!

Liturgy of the Word

Prelude

Alpine Horn
Processional

*Proch
Richard Shuebruk*

Introit

Eastertide Carol

*Mainz Gesangbuch
arr. Richard Proulx*

Please stand as you are able at the sound of the bell.

Processional

Jesus Christ is risen today

Hymnal 207
Cantor: Amy Schaffer

Opening Salutation

Book of Common Prayer p. 355

Celebrant Alleluia. Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia. Alleluia.**

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.

Hymn of Praise

At the Lamb's high feast we sing

Hymnal 174

Collect of the Day

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

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

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

Acts 10:34-43

Please be seated.

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

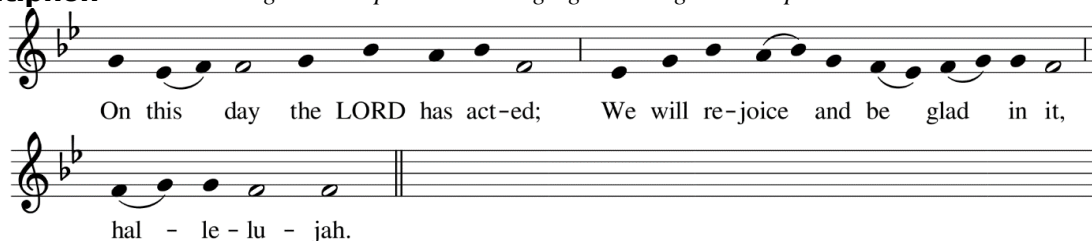
Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**



Psalm 118:1-2, 14-23

The choir will sing the Psalm today using Anglican Chant. Chanting or singing the Psalms is an ancient church tradition that creates musical interest while still emphasizing the words.

Antiphon 1. Choir sings the antiphon 2. Congregation sings the antiphon



- 1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his mercy endures for ever.
- 2 Let Israel now proclaim,
"His mercy endures for ever."
- 14 The LORD is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation.
- 15 There is a sound of exultation and victory
in the tents of the righteous:
- 16 "The right hand of the LORD has triumphed!
the right hand of the LORD is exalted!
the right hand of the LORD has triumphed!"
- 17 I shall not die, but live,
and declare the works of the LORD.
- 18 The LORD has punished me sorely,
but he did not hand me over to death.
- 19 Open for me the gates of righteousness;
I will enter them;
I will offer thanks to the LORD.
- 20 "This is the gate of the LORD;
he who is righteous may enter."
- 21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me
and have become my salvation.
- 22 The same stone which the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.
- 23 This is the LORD'S doing,
and it is marvelous in our eyes.
- 24 On this day the Lord has acted; *
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Antiphon Choir and Congregation sing the antiphon together.

A Reading from the letter to the Colossians.

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
***People* Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn

He is risen, He is risen!

Hymnal 180

All stand as able to sing.

Holy Gospel

John 20:1-18

Remain standing and face the Gospel.

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

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

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

The Sermon

The Reverend Susan Bek

A period of silent reflection follows the sermon.

Please stand as you are able.

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.

Server

Alleluia! What was dead shall live; what was dark shall shine; what was forgotten shall be remembered, for the Lord is risen and walks among us. Let us confidently bring before God the needs of all our world, asking God for renewal, saying: Christ is risen, Christ is risen indeed.

God of life, in gratitude and great joy we laud you for the gifts of Christ's resurrection. On this day give us hope, for Christ is risen: **Christ is risen indeed.**

On this feast day which brings joy to all Christian believers, may we commit ourselves to work toward the unity of the church, that Christ's body may be one, for Christ is risen: **Christ is risen indeed.**

Honoring the gift of Christ's risen body, may we rise to serve all those whose needs keep them from seeing themselves as the image of God; for Christ is risen: **Christ is risen indeed.**

For all who have need of the gift of Easter; for all who journey from illness to health, from despair to hope, from grief to consolation, from loneliness to love; for all our brothers and sisters, that death may have no more power over us, for Christ is risen: **Christ is risen indeed.**

For all who suffer and all who mourn, that today the Lord God will wipe away all tears, for Christ is risen: **Christ is risen indeed.**

May we be one faith with all who have died in Christ, for our life is hid with Christ in God: for Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed.**

¹ universal; all embracing

² relating to the Apostles; following their teachings

Celebrant

God of life, we thank you for the mystery planted in us, the paradox of life from death and community from scattered disciples. We praise you for the dying which saves us from death and for the rising which brings us life. We pray, as we live, through Jesus the risen one, in the power of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **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

Please be seated.

Prayer to End Racism – April

O bountiful and merciful God: you have blessed your people with great prophets and leaders to advance the cause of equality under law in this nation and in the world. By their teaching and preaching; by their action and example; by their marching, demonstrating, and sitting in; by their organizing, praying and singing, they have made themselves and the dream of non-discrimination impossible for opponents to ignore and possible for those marginalized to dream. Give us such leaders always, Lord. Let the cry for justice always be heard in our land until, by your gracious will, your children live together in freedom, justice, and equality. Amen.

Holy Water Blessing

Children are invited to come forward and help stir the water as it is blessed.

Celebrant Almighty God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into new life, and by the power of your life-giving Spirit ever cleanses and sanctifies your people: Bless, we pray you, this water for the service of your holy Church; and grant that it may be a sign of the cleansing and refreshment of your grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The holy water will be sprinkled on the people at the end of the service.

Liturgy of the Table ***Holy Communion***

Offertory Sentence

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

Ephesians 5:2



*Thank you for your donation, and for your pledge.
Your generosity is appreciated!
We look forward to doing great things in the name of Christ
with whatever you are able to give.*

Offertory

All Things New

Music: Elaine Hagenberg

Words: Frances Havergal, adapted from Rev. 21:5-6

Presentation Hymn

Please stand as you are able.

The day of resurrection!

Hymnal 210

The Great Thanksgiving

Enriching Our Worship Eucharistic Prayer 3

The people remain standing as they are able.

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.**

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things.

You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

Sanctus

Sanctus from St. Paul's Mass

Felix Eisenhauer

Sanc - tus, sanc - tus,

sanc - tus, Lord, God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

full of your glo - ry, Ho - sa - na in the high - est Be - ne - dic - tus

qui ve - nit, in the name of the Lord. Ho - sa - na in the high - est, Ho -

sa - na in the high - est!

Translation: "Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus" - Holy, holy, holy "Benedictus qui venit" - Blessed are those who come

Please stand, sit or kneel as you prefer.

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Dying you destroyed our death.

Rising you restored our life.

Christ Jesus come in glory.

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love.

Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with blessed Paul and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Blessed are you 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.

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.

Spiritual Communion

A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion.

Please join us in praying with our siblings in Christ who are with us online and receiving communion spiritually.

Dearest Lord Jesus, we believe that you are truly present in the Sacrament of the Eucharist. We love you above all things and long for you in our souls. Since we are not all together in our church today to receive the bread and wine made holy, we ask you to come spiritually into our hearts. Fill us with your light and nourish us all with your word and Spirit. Amen.

The 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 his will that those who want him should meet him.

For in-person worshippers: 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.

Once you have the bread, you may choose any of the following options:

1. **Return to your seat without receiving the wine.** Be assured that this is a sufficient experience of communion.
2. **Sip the wine, from the common cup,** guiding the chalice gently with your hand. (This meets the current safety standards set by the Diocese of Los Angeles and our bishop because the wine contains alcohol, the chalice is silver or similar metal, and the surface is wiped and turned between communicants.)
3. **Receive by intinction** – the Eucharistic Minister will dip your wafer into the wine for you. We must place it in your hand at this time and cannot place it in your mouth.

If you'd like to come forward but would prefer not to receive, please cross your arms over your chest and the priest will offer you a blessing.

Suggestion: Before or after Communion, see the Book of Common Prayer (BCP) pp. 833-834. You'll find some wonderful prayers there. Online worshippers can find it at www.bcponline.org

Communion Music

Alleluia

Randall Thompson

Duets for Two Violins (transcribed for two horns)

W. A. Mozart

Christ Our Passover

Jeffrey Rickard

Hail thee, festival day!

Hymnal 175

Post Communion Prayer:

Please stand or kneel as you prefer.

Let us pray.

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

Go in the peace of the Lord Jesus. May Christ's light shine in your hearts so that you may bring the joy and the hope of Easter to others; and 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**Christ is alive! Let Christians sing****Hymnal 182***Please stand as you are able and turn to face the cross as it passes by.**The people are sprinkled with Holy water.**If you prefer not to get sprinkled, please move toward the outside aisles.***Concluding Hymn**Hallelujah Chorus from Messiah (*see handout*)*G. F. Handel
arr. Felix Eisenhauer***Dismissal***Celebrant*

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

People**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.****Postlude**

See the Conquering Hero

*Alexandre Guilmant/G. F. Handel**You are invited to join us for Coffee Hour in Kahler Hall.**Children and Families are invited to gather on the Labyrinth for the Easter Egg Hunt.***Acknowledgements and Copyright Information**

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***Please join us in thanking
those who helped make this service so special, including:***

Servers:	Roger Crow & Kara Craven	Lector:	Janet Koehn & Teddy Andrews
Acolytes:	Cora & William Shanahan	Chalice Bearer:	Virginia Hernandez
Dove:	Matilda Shanahan	Ushers:	Susan & Rob Talmadge, Sally Weimer & Wendy VanHorn
Altar Guild:	Susan Talmadge, Roger Crow & Pam Klebaum	Flower Guild:	Lisa Cross, Grace Dunlevy, Sarah Lamola, Tegan Jones, Roger Crow, Susan Talmadge, Virginia Hernandez
Cantor:	Amy Schaffer	Welcome Greeter:	Kay Armstrong & Julie Braithwaite
Video Production:	Patrick Van Horn	Lock-up Team:	Woody Bretz

**And a BIG Thank You to our Music Ministry!****Musicians:** Cameron Guerrot, trumpet; Hayles King, trombone**St. Paul's Choir:** Laura Andrews, Taylor Bernstein, Alexandra Caldor, Jordan Daniels, Annelise Ebell, Amy Schaffer, Sophia Cotsis, Ginny Dilworth, Rose Hayden-Smith, Bridget Wareham, Robert Kubilos, Daniel Smithson, Robert Brown, Reid Edwards, Alexis Renteria**Music Minister:** Felix Eisenhauer**Choir Director:** Tara Eisenhauer**Organist:** Sara Edwards

Prayer Intentions for the Week of April 9, 2023

Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury	Our Clergy: Susan Bek, Dick Swanson
Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop	President Joseph Biden, Congress, Federal Courts
John Taylor, Bishop Diocesan	Governor Gavin Newsom, Legislature, State Courts

HEALING IN BODY, MIND & SPIRIT:

Christian, Christina, Nathan and his family, Mary, Barbara, Larry, Joanne, Barb, Bert, Samantha, Mary Morgan, Heather, Mary, John, Bryant, Lisa, Lorraine, Seve, Phil, Joe, Jackie, all refugees and everyone affected by COVID-19, gun violence, natural disaster, poverty, and injustice.

THOSE ENDURING A LONG-TERM ILLNESS:

Penny, Phil, Lynn, Audrey, Dennis, Maria, Baby Z, Amelia, Rachel, Dave, Kim, Linda, Virginia, Michelle, Sheila, Jeanice, Kevin, Susan, Debbie, Carol, Vivian and Ulrich.

IN THE DISCERNMENT PROCESS FOR ORDAINED MINISTRY:

Drew Darby, his wife Anna, and their family.

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
- + U.S. Armed services personnel serving around the world and wounded warriors cared for in medical centers and those returned home
- + All who work, educate others, and pray to abolish the scourge of present-day slavery.

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: *the Cathedral Church of the Ascension, in the Diocese of Wiawso, Ghana*
- + The Ventura Interfaith Ministerial Assoc.: *Church of the Foothills, First Christian Church, Church of Christ*

IN MEMORIAM

For Ed Narkovic, the Most Rev. Frank Griswold, Lisa, Benjamin, Larry Durham and all those we love but see no longer.

Parish prayers for healing are listed for one calendar month but can be renewed if needed. Please contact the church office to add or extend a prayer request and to let us know how things are going.



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Generous Donations Given By:

Duffy and Finn Anderson: In loving memory of my Grandparents, John and Carol Anderson.
Thank you for so many beautiful Easters together.

Kay and Ralph Armstrong: In memory of Ruth and Elton Brown, Dorothy and Carl Armstrong and Astra.

Marilyn Beattie: In memory of my husband, Louis A. Beattie, my son, Andy Beattie
and grandson, Trevor Beattie.

Donna Bennett

Karen Browdy: In memory of members of the Scott family: Samuel David, Sr., Emma Harrison,
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Carmela Carreno: In memory of baby Benjamin.

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John and Ginny Dilworth: In memory of Harry and Margery Dickinson.

Barbara Gear: I'm grateful for all the blessings in my life.

Judy Gold: In gratitude for her grandchildren, Sarah, Noah, Gaby, Bridget and April.

The Rev. Canon Anthony and Guadalupe Guillén

Rose Hayden-Smith: In thankfulness for the leadership of our music ministers – Felix, Tara and Sara – and
for St. Paul's community of musicians.

Boyd Honeyman: In memory of Honeyman family members: Boyd, Sr., Stella, Sheila and Tommy.

Dr. Steve, Karen and Tegan Jones: In memory of Dr. Eric and Donna Larsen and Tony and Wanda Jones.

Judy Kelly: I would like to thank everyone at St. Paul's for keeping it going strong in these challenging times!

Kathy Loest: In loving memory of my parents, Dr. Sanford and Nancy Dietrich, and my brothers,
Roy R. Dietrich and Stephen W. Dietrich.

Ellen Morgen: I'm grateful for many things in my life and have wonderful memories of friends
and family no longer with me.

Marcia Semple: In memory of Charles and Esther Semple.

Judy Strommen: In memory of Deane A. Wareham.

Amelia Sugden: In honor of Ruben and Rosa Corona. May they rest in the knowledge of their faith.
They were wonderful parents.

Robert and Susan Talmadge: In memory of Edward McCloud Narkovic.

Alice Tyson: In memory of the Wright family, in the hope they have found peace,
and in celebration of their new great-granddaughters.

Aaron Weid: In loving memory of Douglas and Christine Wied by the Wied and Schmitt Families.

St. Paul's Announcements April 9, 2023

Thank you for joining us today! Please contact the church office for more information. God bless you!

We invite you to join us again next Sunday.



Welcome to St. Paul's Episcopal Church!

Whether you're new, visiting or have been a member for years, we're so glad you joined us today. **A warm welcome to you!**
Our Sunday services are available online and in-person. Please let us know if we can do anything to support you on your spiritual journey this week.
We're always happy to hear from you!
We invite you to come back soon.



This is a brief overview of our weekly announcements. To learn about everything going on at St. Paul's and to receive weekly encouragement and ways to build up spiritual strength, please see our E-newsletter. If you don't receive it, please let us know. We'd be happy to add you to the list!
You can reach us by emailing office@saintpaulsventura.org



Happy Easter!

Christ is risen, the Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia! On Easter Sunday we celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord and the gift of eternal life won for us by his sacrifice. Death doesn't get to have the last word, after all. Join us for a great celebration. We'll enjoy inspiring scripture, beautiful music, and an uplifting message of hope and love. For online worshippers, we offer Spiritual Communion. For in-person worshipers, we offer Eucharist, the body of Christ, the bread of heaven. Come hear inspiring scripture, beautiful music, and an uplifting message of hope and love. Come to church on Easter Sunday and get inspired!

and after church today...



Easter Egg Hunt for Children

Families are invited to join in the fun after the service in the courtyard near the Sunday School Classrooms. No basket, no problem! We have bags available. And we'll trade for anything your child doesn't care for. Parents are asked to supervise and monitor what you think is best for your children.



You are Invited to Coffee Hour

We invite you to join us in Kahler Hall (just down the stairs) for a cup of coffee, tea, or water and the chance to sit and chat with one another. In the church, we call this fellowship. It's one of our favorite parts of being on this journey of faith together.



Are you new to St. Paul's or visiting us?

A warm welcome to you! We're so glad you came. We are a friendly and welcoming congregation. Our ushers and greeters will be happy to do anything they can to make your time with us more comfortable and meaningful. Please introduce yourself to our clergy, they're looking forward to meeting you. We invite you to come back soon.



Next Sunday is the Second Sunday in Easter, and the celebration continues!

Easter Season means exciting!

Special Guest, Isaac Pastor-Chermak, cellist with the Santa Barbara Symphony, will be enriching our service music on Sunday, April 16th, with selections from the Bach Cello Suites. Invite your friends and come join us as we continue to celebrate the Resurrection and share the Good News of God in Christ. It's going to be awesome!

	<p>Is that a gospel choir I hear?</p> <p>Why, yes it is! St. Paul's Choir has been invited to sing with Pepperdine University's Music Department and visiting conductor/arranger Dr. Raymond Wise in a concert of Spirituals the Sunday after Easter. This will be an exciting concert heading into spring! Saturday, April 16th at 7:30PM at Pepperdine University. Tickets available at: Arts.Pepperdine.Edu (search for Pepperdine Gospel Music & Spirituals Masterworks)</p>
	<p>UPCOMING BAPTISM OPPORTUNITIES 5/28 Pentecost; 11/5 All Saints Day, Observed (and other dates can be arranged)</p> <p>We become members of the body of Christ through the sacrament of baptism. If you have not been baptized, and would like to be, please speak with Rev. Susan to make arrangements.</p>
	<p><i>We're collecting socks and glasses for people who are in need...</i></p> <p>OUTREACH PROJECT – Reach for Basic Needs</p> <p>This month, St. Paul's is collecting socks for adults and eyeglasses, too. Bring in your old, unwanted glasses and/or new reading glasses you can purchase at most stores. We will offer them to those in need and help bring the dignity of sight and clean socks to our neighbors. REACH bags are available for your convenience. Thank you for your support!</p>
	<p><i>Do you enjoy experiencing God in nature?</i></p> <p>Spirituality in Nature Group April Event - 4/22</p> <p>Meet us for an Earth Day hike in Harmon Canyon at 8:30am. We will meet at the trailhead. Please note: If it rains the week before, the trail may be closed. For more information, contact Dan Wakelee – dan.wakelee@att.net for more information.</p> <p>SPECIAL EVENT - Sat. May 13th, Sign Up Early - Tickets usually sell out!</p> <p>Come explore part Channel Islands National Park with the Spirituality in Nature Group. Whether you have been to the islands before or have never visited, this is an opportunity to experience and better understand this amazing place. This is a full day trip to Scorpion Ranch on Santa Cruz Island on Saturday May 13. There will be a moderate guided hike on the island. As always, there is the possibility of seeing marine mammals during the boat ride. RSVP required by May 1 (boat tickets usually sell out on weekends) – please contact Dan Wakelee – dan.wakelee@att.net</p>
	<p><i>Join us as we raise funds for St. Paul's and enjoy a delicious meal...</i></p> <p>April Fundraiser – The Habit on Wed. 4/17</p> <p>Eat at the Habit at 732 Telephone Road, Ventura starting at 4pm on Monday, April 17th and they will donate 20% of the total bill to St. Paul's. Valid on dine in and take out. Simply show the printed flier or display it on your phone at the restaurant. See your Enewsletter or pick up a flier at the sign-in table. We look forward to seeing you there.</p> <p>Thank you for your support!</p>
 <p>This QR Code takes you straight to our Giving Page</p>	<p><i>"God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9:7</i></p> <p>Thank you for your generosity!</p> <p>Donations may be made by cash, check, PayPal, or Text StPaulsVentura to 73256. You can also arrange online payments, click the "Give" button at www.saintpaulsventura.org or use this QR code. Members give of their time through many ministries and share their talents through lots of volunteer opportunities. Please contact our clergy if you'd like to get involved in something new. Generosity involves the giving of time, talent and treasure. Thank you for all the ways you give of yourself! We look forward to doing great things with whatever you are able to share. Thank you!</p>
	<p>WISH LIST – Easter Donation Suggestions</p> <p>Gifts and donations may be made at any time, for any purpose. In case you're interested in making a special Easter donation, the items currently on our wish list include: new flooring for the sanctuary, new chairs for Kahler Hall (a simple \$25 donation buys a chair), new counters are needed in Kahler Hall kitchen, new counters and sinks are needed in the sacristy (where the Altar Guild and Flower Guild do their work), and Kahler Hall needs exterior painting. If you are able to help make a wish come true, we appreciate your support! If you'd like more information, please contact Rev. Susan. Thank you!</p>

