



St. Paul's Episcopal Church

We follow Jesus, welcome all and nurture ministries.



The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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October 13, 2019 10:15 a.m.

Welcome to St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

Online Bulletin

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 Sunday School program for children and youth will begins at 10:00am in the Sanctuary with a short sermon on the gospel for the day and a preview of the activity. Children move to their classrooms at 10:10 for creative programming and activities including circle time, prayer and storytelling. Ages 2-3 will be in the Nursery. Pre-K, K, and 1st grade will be in Room 7. Grades 2-5 will also be in Room 7. Youth will be in Room 8. All children and youth will return to the sanctuary at the peace to join their families for Eucharist.

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

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

Prelude

2 Quiet Preludes

Alec Rowley

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

Processional Hymn

Thine arm, O Lord, in days of Old

Hymnal 567

Opening Salutation

Book of Common Prayer (BCP) p. 355

Celebrant

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

People

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

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

Hymn of Praise

O praise God in the highest

Felix Eisenhauer

O praise God in the high - est, O praise God near and far! O
praise God in the high - est, O praise God near and far! God's
love and mer - cy and God's peace are gi - ven free-ly to all, so
praise God in the high - est, all praise God near and far!

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the reading of scripture.

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

2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

A Reading from the Second Book of Kings.

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy."

When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean."

But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean?'" So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."

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

Psalm 111

The choir will sing the Psalm today.

The choir will sing the Antiphon first, followed by the congregation singing the Antiphon.

Antiphon



The grac - ious LORD makes his mar - vel - ous works to be re - mem - bered, hal - le - lu - jah.

1. I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills:
from whence cometh my help
2. My help cometh even from the Lord:
who hath made heaven and earth.
3. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved:
and he that keepeth thee will not sleep.
4. Behold he that keepeth Israel:
shall neither slumber nor sleep.
5. The Lord himself is thy keeper:
the Lord is thy defence upon thy right hand.
6. So that the sun shall not burn thee by day:
neither the moon by night
7. The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil:
yea it is even he that shall keep thy soul.
8. The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in:
from this time forth for evermore.

Second Reading

2 Timothy 2:8-15

A Reading from the Second Letter to Timothy.

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David-- that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful--for he cannot deny himself.

Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn **Help us, O Lord, to learn**

Hymnal 628

All are invited to stand as you are able and join us in singing.

Holy Gospel

Luke 17:11-19

Please remain standing and face the Gospel.

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Reverend Liz Williams

Please be seated.

A period of silent reflection follows the sermon.

All stand as able 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, sit or kneel as is your custom.

Server

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Intercessor

For the Church of God, that it may be filled with people dedicated to love, generosity and truth;

People

May your light guide us and shine through us.

For the leaders of our nation, and the leaders of all nations; that the work they do may benefit all people.

May your light instill within them the desire to act justly and work for peace.

For blessings on all human endeavors, and for the just and proper use of all you have created;

May we be the instruments through which you reach out to the world.

For the sick in body, mind or spirit, especially *(The People may add their own petitions either silently or aloud)*.

May your light bring hope and healing to all who suffer.

For all who have died, and for those who grieve, especially *(The People may add their own petitions either silently or aloud)*.

May light perpetual shine upon them.

Celebrant

O God, in your infinite generosity, you have created a world filled with resources to sustain all your children. Stir the generosity within each of us so that these resources may be shared. Inspire us when we step out from this place so that we may shine as the Light of Christ to the world. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray, **Amen.**

¹ universal; all embracing

² relating to the Apostles; following their teachings

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor
A period of silence is observed.

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of 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 Christ be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Announcements

Please be seated.

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

Offertory Sentence

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

Through Christ let us continually offer to God the sacrifice of praise, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his Name. But do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. *Hebrews 13:15,16*

Offertory Anthem

Thanks Be To Thee

George F. Handel, arranged and edited by Roger Shaw

Presentation Hymn

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Hymnal 493

Please stand as you are able.

The Great Thanksgiving

Enriching Our Worship Eucharistic Prayer 1

The people remain standing.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord

Hymnal S130

The service music can be found in the front of the hymnal.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Please stand, sit or kneel as is your custom.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, 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."

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

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.

Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with Paul and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and 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.

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 worshipers for the post communion prayer.

Suggestion: Before or after communion, open your Book of Common Prayer (BCP) to pages 833-834. You'll find some wonderful prayers there.

Communion Music

Communion

Louis Vierne

We are Marching/Siyahamba

(Please see the next Page)



We Are Marching / Siyahamba

We are march - ing* in the light of God, we are
Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya -

1. march - ing in the light of God. 2. God.
hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'. hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen, kha - khos'.

We are march - ing,
Si - ya - ham - ba,

light of God. We are march - ing, march - ing, we are
nyen' kwen - khos'. Si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya -

Oo
 march - ing, march - ing, we are march - ing in the light of God.
ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.

*Alternate text: dancing, singing, praying

Zulu phonetics: See-yah-hahmb eh-koo-kah-nyen kwen-kose. See-yah-hahm-bah.

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.

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.

A Franciscan Blessing

May God bless you with discomfort at easy answers, half-truths and superficial relationships, so that you may live deep within your heart.

May God bless you with anger at injustice, oppression and exploitation of people, so that you may work for justice, freedom and peace.

May God bless you with tears to shed for those who suffer pain, starvation, and war, so that you may reach out your hand to comfort them and turn their pain to joy.

And may God bless you with enough foolishness to believe that you can make a difference in this world, so that you can do what others claim cannot be done.

And the blessing of God Almighty; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit rest upon you and remain with you this day and forevermore. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn

O bless the Lord, my soul!

Hymnal 411

Please stand as you are able.

Dismissal

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

Thanks be to God. Alleluia.

Postlude

*Lobt den Herren mit Pauken und Zimbeln Schoen/
Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals*

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

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

- Our ushers welcome your inquiries. They can provide assisted listening devices, information about our ministries, as well as directions to the restrooms, nursery, and classrooms.
- Please take the brochure from the pew and learn more about St. Paul's and our traditional worship, dynamic preaching and a call to serve.
- You are invited to join us for coffee and refreshments following the service and we hope you will stay for Fellowship & Formation from 11:30-noon.
- Infants and children are welcome here. Infants may receive care in the nursery (room 2) from 10-noon. Preschool aged children through youth are invited to join our Sunday School. 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

Serving This Week

Team Two – 2nd Sunday of the Month

Acolytes	Judy Wareham, Gina Trevisan
Chalice	Roger Crow – Server, Kay Armstrong
Psalm	Saint Paul’s Choir
Lay Readers	Janet Koehn, Drew Darby
Prayers of the People	Ernie Fickerson
Ushers	Jeff Brown, Tamara Nerdrum, Peter Anderson
Eucharistic Prayer Ministry	Kathleen Crookston
Altar Guild	Dela Parker, Carole Nelson, Susan Talmadge
Flower Guild	Grace Dunlevy, Anna Darby, Laura Andrews
Counters	Louise Bretz, Brenda Christianson
Welcome Ministry	Pat Malchak
Vestry Greeter	Dan Wakelee
Facility Lock Up	Greg Jackson
Cantor	Reid Edwards
Hospitality	Norm & Pam Owens, Miles & Cathy Sexton, Ted & Laura Andrews

Highlights of This Week at St. Paul’s

Today 10/13	8:00 am	Rite I Sunday Service
	9:30 am	Fair Trade Sales (Kahler Hall)
	9:30 am	LEM Training & Review
	9:30 am	Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)
	10:00 am	Sunday School Children’s Sermon (Sanctuary)
	10:15 am	Rite II Sunday Service
	11:30 am	Fellowship and Formation (Kahler Hall)
	11:30 am	Fair Trade Sales (Kahler Hall)
	11:45 am	Introduction to ASL (Community Room)
	8:00 pm	AA Meeting (Community Room)
Mon. 10/14	5:00 pm	Daisy Scout Troop 65014 (Community Room)
	6:30 pm	Financial Peace University (Library)
	8:00 pm	AA Meeting (Kahler Hall)
Tues. 10/15	6:30 pm	Boy Scouts (Kahler Hall & Community Room)
Weds. 10/16	9:00 am	Healing Service (Chapel)
	10:30 am	Bible Study (Library)
	6:00 pm	Finance Committee (Room 13)
	8:00 pm	AA Meeting (Community Room)
Thurs. 10/17	10:00 am	Sack Lunch Distribution (Office)
	6:00 pm	Twelve Step Workshop (Kahler Hall)
	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
Fri. 10/18	6:30 am	Men’s Bible Study (Main Street Steakhouse Restaurant)
	9:30 am	Women’s Bible Study (Library)
Sat. 10/19	6:45 pm	AA Meeting (Community Room)
Sun. 10/20	8:00 am	Rite I Sunday Service
	9:30 am	Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)
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Prayer Intentions for the Week of October 13, 2019

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

Our Clergy: Susan Bek, Liz Williams, Dick Swanson
President Donald Trump, Congress, Federal Courts
Governor Gavin Newsom, Legislature, State Courts

HEALING IN BODY, MIND & SPIRIT:

Adele, Babs, Linda, Brenda, James, Joel, Jacob, Carolyn, Steve, Bob, Teresa, Duncan, Steven, Sarah, Brian, Frank, Julie, Emily, Bruce, Erika, John, Charly, Paul, Mary, Christy, Carol, Diane, Mary, Kathie, Tom, William, Kim, Isaiah

THOSE ENDURING A LONG TERM ILLNESS:

Virginia, Wayne, Margery, Sheila, Carrie, Linda, Judy, Liz, Michelle, Kevin, Mary, Kathy, Doug, Rachel

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

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 Wawso, Ghana*
- + The Ventura Interfaith Ministerial Assoc.: *Church of the Foothills, First Christian Church, Church of Christ*

IN MEMORIUM

Jerilynn
Devlin Nicholson
John Powell

Parish prayers for healing are listed for one calendar month. Contact the office with your request which may be added at any time. They may be requested and/or renewed by using the prayer cards in the pews.



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Announcements September 29, 2019

Thank you for joining us today! We'll continue to hold you in our prayers.

Please contact the church office for more information. God bless you!

We invite you to join us again next Sunday!



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

8:00 am-Wes Cullins

10:15 am-Norm & Pam Owens, Miles & Cathy Sexton, Ted & Laura Andrews

(Next week for hospitality: 8:00-Richard Goodman

10:15-Bruce & Judy Kelly, Nate & Anne Alday, Greg & Karyn Jackson
If you would like to serve on our hospitality team, please let us know.

The Vestry Greeter today is Ted Andrews come by and say hello



Calling all Lay Eucharistic Ministers & Servers

LEM AND SERVER TRAINING & REVIEW – Sun. 10/13 at 9:30am

If you are a Chalice Bearer and/or one of our dedicated Servers, please join us for this important meeting. We look forward to seeing you there!



Every purchase matters!

FAIR TRADE SALES – Sunday, Oct. 13 after both services

Fair Trade coffee, tea, and chocolate will be for sale after services. Join us in doing all we can to abolish the scourge of modern-day slavery. We appreciate your support! We are an Abolitionist Congregation.



Starts Today - Come learn ASL with us!

FREE COURSE IN AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE (ASL) – 10/13, 10/20, 10/27

Join us for this wonderful three-week series 11:45am – 12:45pm in the Community Room at St. Paul's. This is a great class for first-time learners and if you already know some signs, we'll teach you more. In our October series, we'll focus on: Manual Alphabet (fingerspelling), Introductions, Family Signs, and Colors. Invite your friends, all are welcome, and the classes are free.



Thank you for your pledge to support St. Paul's!

A BIG "THANK YOU!" TO EVERYONE WHO HAS MADE A PLEDGE

We have two big goals this year:

1. Bring in a total of at least 100 pledges
2. Realize an average increase of \$25 per month on this year's pledges

Why? So that we can continue to grow and keep enjoying the additions and improvements to our Music Ministry, Youth & Children's Ministries and Deaf Ministry.

We hope no one will feel pressured, just inspired to do what they can. We look forward to doing great things in the name of Christ with whatever you decide to pledge. Thank you!



It's time to stop worrying about money!

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY - 9 Mondays 7-8:30pm in Library Starts Monday, October 14

The nine-lesson Financial Peace University (FPU) course to be offered again at St. Paul's. Participants will learn to keep a budget, beat debt, and build wealth! Dave Ramsey and his team of financial experts teaches every lesson with biblical wisdom, and you'll get support and encouragement along the way. Purchase of FPU includes your workbook and a free year of Financial Peace Membership, an online tool kit to support your journey. Contact Woody or Louise Bretz or the church office for more information.



LADIES LUNCH BUNCH – Thursday, October 17th 11am at Mimi’s Cafe

All women of St. Paul's and their friends are invited to join us for our monthly Ladies Lunch Bunch at Mimi’s. We gather at 11am and order by 11:30. We always have a wonderful time, and we would be very pleased for you to join us. Please RSVP to Ruth, Pam or the Office so we’ll know to expect you. We look forward to seeing you there!



Come get your hands dirty and help in our Congregational Garden

MORNING OF PLANTING AND SEEDING - Saturday, October 19, 8:30-NOON

We hope you've had a chance to stop over this summer to enjoy the sunflowers and veggies. Many flowers have made an appearance in our Sanctuary arrangements! A reminder that everything that we grow there is communal, and we'd love it if you take anything that is ripe for use at home or share bouquets with friends and loved ones! Please let us know if you can come and help on 10/19. We'd love to have you join us.



A fun event for kids of all ages!

TRUNK OR TREAT ON THE FOUNTAIN PATIO - Sunday, October 27 at 11:45am

Come join in the fun after church on the patio. We'll have candy, contests, games, treats, and lots of fun together. Bring or wear your best costume. (Please no weapons or super scary stuff. Remember we have little ones, too!)

Want to join in the fun and support Youth & Children's Ministries?

SIGN UP TO HOST A TABLE - Sun., October 27 at 11:45am

We're throwing a Halloween Party for the Kids and want to invite you to join in the fun. Sign up to host a table. We'll provide the table, you bring the decorations, Halloween treats and any fund games or activities. (Nothing too scary, though. Remember we have little ones too. Thanks for your support!)



BAPTISM OPPORTUNITY – NOVEMBER 3

The next baptism opportunity will be on Sunday, November 3rd during the All Saints Day Celebration. *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 or Rev. Liz to make arrangements. We look forward to it!*



DEANERY ASSEMBLY – OCTOBER 12 10AM – NOON

The Deanery One Assembly will take place in Kahler Hall. Clergy, Lay Delegates and Lay Alternates to convention are all encouraged to attend in preparation of the Diocesan Convention which will be held November 15-16. Parishioners of St. Paul's may want to take advantage of having the assembly held here and learn about what will be on the agenda for this year's convention and other business of the Deanery.



PREPARING FOR ALL SOUL’S DAY

We will honor all those we love but see no longer at the **9am service on Wednesday, November 6th.**

Would you like to add a loved one to the list of those we will remember on All Saints’ Day and All Souls’ Day? We are adding to last year’s list and welcome your additions. Please submit your additions to the office no later than Wednesday, **October 23.**



FALL BACK – NOVEMBER 3

Daylight Savings time ends.

Don't forget to set your clock back one hour!



COMPLINE: An Amazingly Beautiful Service of Sung Prayers at the End of the Day - Sunday, November 10 at 7 pm

St. Paul's Choir invites you to join us for our second contemplative Compline service of the season. Come calm your soul at the end of the day during our brief, candle-lit, choral prayer service. The church will remain open after the service for those who wish to continue their prayers, light a votive candle, or walk the labyrinth by candlelight. Donations will support the Music Ministry at St. Paul's, Ventura. Please help us spread the word, all are welcome!



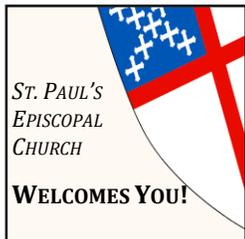
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Thank you so much! It is great to be with you on this journey of faith.



Newcomer Coffee with our Clergy

4TH SUNDAYS OF THE MONTH IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM

(meeting room behind the kitchen in Kahler Hall)

10/27 at 9:30am

Understanding our Worship and Exploring our Ministries



Grab a cup of coffee and come join us!

MEET PEOPLE, ASK YOUR QUESTIONS, EXPLORE THE FAITH

All are welcome!



You are invited...

CELEBRATION SUNDAY

November 3rd

At the conclusion of our Annual Giving Campaign,
We invite you to come celebrate

All Saints Day

Festival services and amazing music
Services at 8am and 10:15am

&

11:45am Be Our Guest
for a Special Celebration Luncheon

We'd like to thank you for your support!