



St. Paul's Episcopal Church

We follow Jesus, welcome all and nurture ministries.



Online Bulletin

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost:

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July 7, 2019 10:15 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.

Our Sunday School program for all children and youth begins at 10am in the sanctuary with a Bible Story and a song with corresponding ASL signs. We move to Kahler Hall at 10:10 for activities and discussion of our story for the day. Children return to the sanctuary for Eucharist. They will be brought into the chapel in the sanctuary and parents may pick them up there. If you would like your child to participate in our Summer Sunday School, Celebrating Families, please sign them in and get a wrist band and name tag either as you enter church (prior to 10am) or in Kahler Hall.

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

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

Prelude

O Beautiful

Robin Dinda

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

Entrance Hymn

Ye Servants of God, your Master proclaim

Hymnal 535

Opening Salutation

Book of Common Prayer p. 355

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

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. 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 bless the Lord, my soul! (v.1)

Hymnal 411

**O bless the Lord, my soul! His grace to thee proclaim!
And all that is within me join to bless his holy name!**

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated 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

Isaiah 66:10-14

A reading from the book of Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord: "Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her--that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom. For thus says the LORD: I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm, and dandled on her knees. As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be known that the hand of the LORD is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies."

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 66:1-8

- 1 Be joyful in God, all you lands; *
sing the glory of his Name;
sing the glory of his praise.
- 2 Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! *
because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you.
- 3 All the earth bows down before you, *
sings to you, sings out your Name."
- 4 Come now and see the works of God, *
how wonderful he is in his doing toward all people.
- 5 He turned the sea into dry land,
so that they went through the water on foot, *
and there we rejoiced in him.
- 6 In his might he rules for ever;
his eyes keep watch over the nations; *
let no rebel rise up against him.

7 Bless our God, you peoples; *
make the voice of his praise to be heard;

8 Who holds our souls in life, *
and will not allow our feet to slip.

Second Reading

Galatians 6:1-16

A Reading from the Letter to the Galatians.

My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. For all must carry their own loads.

Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher.

Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest-time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised-- only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule-- peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

All stand as able to sing.

Blessed Jesus at thy word

Hymnal 440

Holy Gospel

Remain standing and face the Gospel.

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

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

The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you.

Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.'

"Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."

The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

Deacon 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.

Nicene Creed

Book of Common Prayer p. 358

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.

¹ universal; all embracing

² Relating to the Apostles, following their teachings

Prayers of the People

Please stand, sit or kneel as is your custom.

Deacon

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Leader

Father, we pray for your holy Church:

That we all may be one.

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

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

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

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

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

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

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

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

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

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

Silence

Deacon

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth; Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Confession

BCP p. 360

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor

A period of silence is observed.

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

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

The Peace

All stand as they are able.

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

Prayers for Birthdays and Anniversaries and Other Special Occasions

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.

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

Offertory *The Fifers* *Philip Dandreau*

Presentation Hymn **Come, labor on** **Hymnal 541**
Please stand as you are able.

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer C
The people remain standing.

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

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
Glory to you for ever and ever.

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

By your will they were created and have their being.

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

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

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

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

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

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord

Hymnal S125

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

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

Please stand or kneel as is your custom.

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

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

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

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

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

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

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

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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

The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

This is the Banquet of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love him and for those who want to love him more. So, come, you who have much faith and you who have little, you who have been here often and you who have not been here long, you who have tried to follow and you who fear you have failed. Come, because it is the Lord who invites you. It is the Lord's will that those who want him should meet him here.

All are welcome to come forward. The table we set is the Lord's. 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 to receive 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: Open your Book of Common Prayer (BCP) to pages 833-834. You'll find some wonderful prayers there.

Communion Music

Jesus Walked this Lonesome Valley

arr. Robin Roker

Post Communion Prayer:

Please stand or kneel as you prefer.

Let us pray.

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

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

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

Blessing

May the peace which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord: and may the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit rest upon you and remain with you this day and forever more. **Amen.**

Concluding Hymn

O beautiful for spacious skies

Hymnal 719

Please stand as you are able.

Announcements

Please be seated.

Dismissal

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

Postlude

His Truth is Marching On

arr. Carlos Staszkesky

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

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

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Check out next Sunday's readings(track 2) at www.lectionarypage.net

Serving This Week

Acolytes	Gina Trevisan, Judy Wareham
Chalice	Kay Armstrong, Roger Crow
Psalm	Roger Crow
Lay Readers	Janet Koehn, Joseph Wareham
Prayers of the People	Lori Redding
Cantor	Diego Magaña
Eucharistic Prayer Minister	Ruth McCool
Ushers	Maggie Kennedy, Jeff Brown
Vestry Greeter	Ruth McCool
Welcome Ministry	Carolyn Dolen, Ernie Fickerson
Hospitality	Kathleen & Bill Crookston, Louise & Woody Bretz, Marilyn & Paul Angelo
Altar Guild	Louise Bretz, Roger Crow, Vicki Paul
Flower Guild	Yvonne Loest, Virginia Gallegos, Roger Crow
Counters	Barbara Jakovich, Marcia Semple
Facility Lock Up	Greg McCombs

Highlights of This Week at St. Paul's

Today 7/7	8:00 am	Rite I Sunday Service
	9:30 am	Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)
	10:00 am	Summer Sunday School (Sanctuary/ Kahler Hall)
	10:15 am	Rite II Sunday Service
	11:30 am	Fellowship & Formation (Kahler Hall)
	4:30 pm	Abundant Table Farm Church (Chapel/Kahler Hall)
	8:00 pm	AA Meeting (Community Room)
Mon. 7/8	8:00 pm	AA Meeting (Kahler Hall)
Tues. 7/9	6:30 pm	Boy Scout Troop #179 (Community Room)
Weds. 7/10	9:00 am	Healing Service (Chapel)
	10:30 am	Bible Study (Library)
	8:00 pm	AA Meeting (Community Room)
Thurs. 7/11	8:30 am	Building & Grounds Meeting (Community Room)
Fri. 7/12	6:30 am	Men's Bible Study (Main Street Steakhouse Restaurant)
	9:30 am	Women's Bible Study (Library)
Sat. 7/13	6:45 pm	AA Meeting (Community Room)
Sun. 7/14	8:00 am	Rite I Sunday Service
	9:30 am	Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)
	10:00 am	Summer Sunday School (Sanctuary/Kahler Hall)
	10:15 am	Rite II Sunday Service
	11:30 am	Fellowship & Formation
	12:00 pm	Sack Lunch Packing Party (Narthex)
	8:00 pm	AA Meeting (Community Room)



Prayer Intentions for the Week of July 7, 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
Ed Steever, Dick Swanson
President Donald Trump, Congress, Federal Courts
Governor Gavin Newsom, Legislature, State Courts

HEALING IN BODY, MIND & SPIRIT:

Adele, Babs, Brenda, Brenda, James, Joel, Jacob, Carolyn, Steve, Duncan, Steven, Sarah, Frank, Julie, Bruce, Charly, Paul, Mary, Christy, Mike, Carol, Mary, Kathie, Tom, William, Kim

THOSE ENDURING A LONG TERM ILLNESS:

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

FOR GOD'S BLESSING ON:

- + Twelve step programs of recovery and healing; especially Alcoholics Anonymous meetings at St. Paul's
- + Our local public and private hospitals, and the health care professionals who serve us
- + 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 Ventura County: *St. Columba's*, Camarillo; *Trinity*, Fillmore; *St. Andrew's*, Ojai; *All Saints'*, Oxnard; *St. Paul's/Emmanuel*, Santa Paula; *St. Francis'*, Simi Valley; *St. Patrick's*, Thousand Oaks
- + Our World Mission Companions: *the Cathedral Church of the Ascension, in the Diocese of Wiawso*, Ghana
- + The Ventura Interfaith Ministerial Assoc.: *Temple Beth Torah, the Islamic Center of Oxnard, Ventura Seventh Day Adventist Church*

IN MEMORIUM

Lillian Alfriend

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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St. Paul's Announcements July 7, 2019

*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- Tim & Kathy Helms
10:15 am Bill & Kathleen Crookston, Woody & Louise Bretz, Paul & Marilyn Angelo

*(Next week for hospitality: 8:00 Peter & Sharon Bowers
10:15 Bridget Wareham, Bill & Kathleen Crookston, Lori Redding)
If you would like to serve on our hospitality team, please let us know.*

The Vestry Greeter today is Ruth McCool, come by and say hello!

Please join us again next Sunday!



Thank you – to our guest musician, Nick Akdag on bassoon!



SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL – BEGINS AT 10:00: This year's theme is *A Family Celebration*. We will begin in the sanctuary with a Bible story and learn a song in ASL. Families and members of the congregation are encouraged to **come at 10:00** and join in this part of the Celebration. At 10:10, the children will move into Kahler Hall to continue our lesson and make fun scrapbook pages. If you would like to volunteer, or have questions, please talk to Rev. Liz.



FAIR TRADE SALES – NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 14: After Sunday services buy a taste of fine chocolates, tea, coffee and baskets that are from businesses committed to providing fair wages and good employment opportunities to economically disadvantaged artisans and farmers. For more information speak with Joanne at joannewakelee@yahoo.com



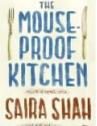
HELP US FEED THE HUNGRY – SACK LUNCH PACKING PARTY, SUNDAY, JULY 14, NOON: We will meet in the narthex (church lobby) and set up an assembly line to fill the sack lunches so they are ready for distribution. 20-50 lunches are handed out each week!



A NOTE FROM OUR PARISH ADMINISTRATOR, PAULA ROBERTSON – After a great deal of thought and prayer, I have accepted a position at Cal State University Channel Islands as the Executive Assistant to the Vice President of Business and Financial Affairs. I will be joining their team at the end of July so my last day in the office will be July 19th. I have loved serving at St. Paul's for 7 years and have been abundantly blessed. Although my relationship with you as Parish Administrator will end, my relationship with you as a parishioner for 20 years will continue. I look forward to seeing you all on Sundays and will continue serving as president of the Daughters of the King. *With Love, Paula*



CELEBRATING THE WORK OF PAULA ROBERTSON – SUNDAY, JULY 21 at 10:15: Help us celebrate the work and ministry of our wonderful Parish Administrator, and thank her for her years of service. Though leaving this position, she will continue the journey of faith with us at St. Paul's. Our celebration will continue following the 10:15am service with donuts and treats for everyone in Kahler Hall.

	<p>SUMMER PICK-UP CHOIR – EVERY SUNDAY THIS SUMMER: Want to get a taste of the choir but can't commit year round? Join us at 9:30am any Sunday this summer. Meet in the Music Room for a brief warm-up and to familiarize yourself with the hymns for the day. We will then sing together from the back of the church. Talk to Felix if you have questions.</p>
	<p>REACH FOR SCHOOL SUPPLIES – NOW THROUGH JULY 28: The red REACH bags are back and ready to be filled with school supplies for K-5th grade children. Suggested items are listed and attached to the bags.</p> <p>This is our annual partnership with Project Understanding and the donations go to students attending their tutoring sites & families using their food pantry. Donations accepted now through July 28th. Please bring items to St. Paul's. (<i>Monetary donations are also welcome. Note: Back to School.</i>)</p>
	<p>EPISCOPAL NIGHT AT THE DODGERS – FRIDAY, SEPTMEBER 6, 7:00 pm: Come watch the Los Angeles Dodgers take on the San Francisco Giants and then stay afterwards to enjoy Friday Night Fireworks! Tickets are \$27.00 each and are located in the Reserved Section. The order deadline is July 21. Make your check out to St. Paul's and write "Dodger Night" on the memo line. Questions? Contact Kathleen in the Church Office.</p>
	<p>FIRST MONDAY BOOK CLUB – MONDAY, AUGUST 5: The Mouse Proof Kitchen, by Saira Shah is our current selection. Join us at 5pm for food and 5:30pm for discussion at Panera Bread. All women are welcome. <i>Sponsored by the Daughters of the King.</i></p>
	<p>SUMMER SERVICES will be powerful, uplifting and run just over an hour. Join us for interesting lessons, moving sermons and great fellowship with friends old and new. We are so blessed to live here! Come to church and still have time to hit the beach and enjoy some summer fun!</p> <p>FANS have been installed along the outer aisle for your comfort. As things heat up in our warmer months, please feel free to turn them on. Check with those around you, perhaps the oscillating feature would be helpful. Be mindful of the needs of others. We encourage those who prefer to be away from the fans to sit toward the center of the church.</p>
	<p>ANGELS DANCING!? Have you heard the angels dancing on the roof? As things heat up, the beams in our beautiful church ceiling expand and creak. No worries, our older members will tell you, "It's just the angels dancing on the roof."</p>
	<p>ST. PAUL'S IS LEARNING SIGN LANGUAGE: Why? Because all are welcome here. In each week's ASL Minute we learn a few signs together. If you would like to see past ASL Minute videos, go to St. Paul's Ventura on YouTube or Facebook and click the "Learning Sign Language" playlist. If you enjoy it, share it. Help us spread the word that St. Paul's has a wonderful new Deaf ministry. Thank you!</p> <p>←This sign means, "I love you."</p>
	<p>SAVE THE DATES: Sunday July 14 – Sack Lunch Packing Party Sunday, August 25 – Blessing of the Backpacks Friday, September 6 – Episcopal Dodger Night Sunday, September 8 – Homecoming Sunday</p>

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH RESPONDS TO THE CRISIS OF MIGRANT CHILDREN

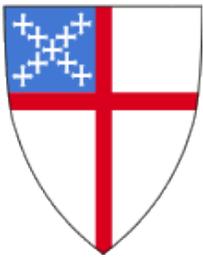
FROM THE DIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES



Urgent call for housing and sponsorships for families seeking asylum:

In response to the growing need for families seeking asylum, Sacred Resistance and Immigrant Support Services — a new project of IRIS, the diocese's immigration legal service agency — are working with ecumenical partners to develop a common intake process to assist individuals/families seeking sponsorship and accompaniment during their arduous and lengthy asylum claim process. This growing ecumenical and interfaith partnership is calling upon individuals, congregations and institutions of the Diocese of Los Angeles, in the spirit of its status as a Sanctuary Diocese, to identify housing resources that they can make available on a short- or long-term basis to asylum-seeking families. The need and range varies from individuals to families needing housing for a couple of days to a month or more. This housing can be church-based or private. **For more information, see Saintpaulsventura.org/outreach8304**

FROM THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT RELATIONS



Ten Actions You Can Take To Accompany Undocumented Immigrants:

1. Share Know Your Rights (KYR) Information.
2. Accompany Individuals to ICE Check-Ins
3. Build Relationships with Local Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Offices
4. Provide Transport for Individuals to Immigration Court
5. Facilitate Legal Screenings
6. Help Arrange Legal Services
7. Raise Awareness of Notario Fraud
8. Start an Immigration Detention Visitation Ministry
9. Pray Together, Raise Awareness, and Provide Community Forums for Undocumented Immigrants to Share Their Stories and Needs
10. Advocate for Comprehensive Immigration Reform

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LEAVE US A REVIEW ON GOOGLE

Google Reviews are an important part of helping people find our community at St. Paul's. These reviews are linked to Google Maps, where people frequently go to find churches near where they live. If you'd like to leave us a Google Review – and we hope you will! - here is a fairly easy way to do it:

- On your computer, open [Google Maps](https://www.google.com/maps) and make sure you're signed in.
- Search for "St. Paul's Ventura"
- On the left, scroll down and click "Write a review."
- In the window that appears, click the stars to score the place. You can also write a review. The more information you add, the more helpful your review will be to others. You might add information about a physical feature of the church, such as the Labyrinth and include a picture.

Your review will be visible in Google Maps until you take it down, and it's public. After your review is published, you can edit what you wrote, or change the rating and pictures you included.

Love social media? Join our Digital Disciple team! See Drew or Rose after church, or contact the Church Office to be put in touch with a team member.



A Thank you from Deacon Ed

Dear People of St. Paul's,

Thank you so much for the "Farewell Celebration" on last Sunday. Both Katherine and I were touched by the outpouring of love and care that you expressed. The special *Star Wars* theme was a delight and unexpected (May the Force be with you). The closing hymn (*Earth and All Stars*) echoes the use of my favorite Eucharistic Prayer C, often referred to as the 'Star Trek' canon in which we rejoice with God because, "At ...God's...command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home." Breathtaking.

As your deacon I have been privileged to stand as a symbol for all the servant ministry that you perform from week to week, month to month. While thanking me for the work that I have done, I am only too conscious of the dozens of you who have done more than I for far longer than I. There are the Shirleys and Larrys, Delas and Jims, Dans and JoAnns, Jays and Pattis, Louises and Woodys, Nates and Annes, Miles and Cathys, Ruths, Roses, Pams, Kathleens, Rogers (3 of them), and all the rest whom I can't list without just including most of the parish register. You all diligently work behind the scenes to make certain the worship here at St. Paul's is exciting and fulfilling.

It has been my honor as deacon to lift up those ministries; to be a symbol for the congregation of the servant ministries that we perform each week both inside and outside of the walls of the building. When the deacon reads the Gospel lesson, it is symbolic of the Gospel that each of us preach, generally without using words, throughout the week. When the deacon bids the prayers of the people, that action is a symbol of the prayers that we make each day, silently or verbally, alone or with others. The deacon leading the Confession helps us to remember to rejoice that we are forgiven as we go about our daily tasks. And finally, the deacon reading the dismissal at the end of the service, is a clear statement that we are not to keep our faith to ourselves, but to, "Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit."

Thank you for allowing me to be your deacon these past several years. It has been a great blessing to Katherine and me, and we both wish the people of St. Paul's Godspeed and continued blessings as you serve the people of Ventura.

Deacon Ed & Katherine