



## **The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**

**August 9, 2026  
Eleven o'clock in the Morning**

### **WELCOME TO SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH**

We are glad you are here. No matter who you are, no matter where you come from, and no matter where you are on the journey of life — you are welcome in this church.

We hope you will find Saint Paul's to be a place of refreshment and renewal, where you experience the presence of the risen Christ. We have been serving Christ in this location for over two hundred seventy-five years. The monuments in our church and the graves in our churchyard reflect the conflicts and complexities of our nation's and our city's history. While our building is old and beautiful, our mission is contemporary and forward moving. Here you will find a people very much connected with the questions and struggles of modern life and faith and of following the way of Jesus.

# TO ALL OUR VISITORS & GUESTS

## About Worship

If the liturgy (worship) of the Episcopal Church is unfamiliar, then we hope you will find this information helpful.

You are welcome in the Episcopal Church, and so the first and best resource we offer are your neighbors in the pews. Just say, "I'm visiting," and they will gladly help.

The worship of the Episcopal Church is rooted in the practices of ancient Christianity. The structure of our services, the architecture of our building, the music, our physical postures, and participatory responses ALL hold rich meaning about our beliefs and are intentional expressions of our relationship with God.

- In this bulletin you will find:

***Responses spoken by the people are printed in bold italics.***

*Directions for the people are printed in italics.*

- We encourage families with children to sit at the front of the Nave so that children can easily see and hear the liturgy. We are delighted to offer activity bags for families to help keep little hands busy and engaged during worship services. Feel free to pick one up at the entrance!
- Episcopalians customarily pray either standing or kneeling, so please do what you find most comfortable.
- Notify an usher if you require an assisted listening device or any other assistance.
- Restrooms are located in the parish hall. An usher will direct you.

## About Receiving The Holy Communion

ALL who come in faith are invited to receive Holy Communion at Saint Paul's.

- During communion, the people form two short lines in the center aisle, sorting themselves according to how they would like to receive. Those who come to the "pulpit side" (east) will be given bread and offered a common cup of wine from which to drink. There is no intincting/dipping on the pulpit side of the altar rail. For those on the lectern side (west, the big eagle), the minister will dip the bread in the wine for the people, and offer a piece of bread that has already been "intincted." All are welcome at the Lord's Table. Please, no one may dip their own bread in the wine.
- For those who may prefer not to receive communion at the main altar, a communion station is provided on the main floor. If you are unable to receive at either station, the clergy will bring the bread and wine to your pew. Please notify an usher before the service begins.
- To receive a blessing without receiving Communion, cross both arms over your chest, palms on your collar.
- If your children are in the nursery, you are invited to bring them to receive Holy Communion or a blessing.

## Connect with Us

We invite you to share your contact information on a connect card, located in each pew. Hand it to one of our clergy after church. Please feel free to fill out as much or as little information as you'd like so we can connect with you.

# Celebration of The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

## The Word of God

Organ Voluntary

Robert Hobby and Edwin Childs

Variations on "Lauda anima"

At the Procession, Hymn 410

Lauda anima

"Praise, my soul, the King of heaven"



1 Praise, my soul, the King of hea - ven; to his feet thy tri - bute bring;  
2 Praise him for his grace and fa - vor to his peo - ple in dis - tress;  
3 Fa - ther - like he tends and spares us; well our fee - ble frame he knows;  
4 An - gels, help us to a - dore him; ye be - hold him face to face;



ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en, ev - er - more his prais - es sing:  
praise him still the same as ev - er, slow to chide, and swift to bless:  
in his hand he gen - tly bears us, res - cues us from all our foes.  
sun and moon, bow down be - fore him, dwell - ers all in time and space.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly yet his mer - cy flows.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

### The Opening Acclamation

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

*People* ***And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.***

### The Collect for Purity

*Celebrant* 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.***

# Gloria in Excelsis Deo

Missapiphania, by Keith Shafer

Glo- ry to God in the high- est, and peace to his peo- ple on earth.

Lord God, hea- ven- ly King, al- mighty God and Fa- ther, we wor- ship you, we

give you thanks, we praise you for your glo- ry. Lord, Je- sus Christ,

on- ly Son of the Fa- ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a- way the sin of the

world, have mer- cy on us. You are seat- ed at the right hand

of the Fa- ther, re- ceive our prayer. For you a- lone are the

Ho- ly One, you a- lone are the Lord. You a- lone

are the most high, Je- sus Christ with the Ho- ly Spir- it,

in the glo- ry of God the Fa- ther. A - men.

## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*The people are invited to sit for the readings.*

At Horeb, the mount of God, Elijah came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

*Lector*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      ***Thanks be to God.***

**Psalm 85:8-13****Anglican Chant by F. A. Gore Ouseley***Sung by the Choir*

- 8      I will listen to what the LORD God is saying, \*  
         for he is speaking peace to his faithful people  
         and to those who turn their hearts to him.
- 9      ***Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, \****  
         ***that his glory may dwell in our land.***
- 10     Mercy and truth have met together; \*  
         righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
- 11     ***Truth shall spring up from the earth, \****  
         ***and righteousness shall look down from heaven.***
- 12     The LORD will indeed grant prosperity, \*  
         and our land will yield its increase.
- 13     ***Righteousness shall go before him, \****  
         ***and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.***

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that “the person who does these things will live by them.” But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say?

“The word is near you,  
on your lips and in your heart”

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

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

## Hymn

## “Precious Lord, take my hand”

## Precious Lord



1 Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me  
2 When my way grows drear, pre - cious Lord, lin - ger  
3 When the dark - ness ap - pears and the night draws



stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;  
near, when my life is al - most gone;  
near, and the day is past and gone;



— through the storm, through the night, lead me on, to the  
— hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand, lest I  
— at the riv - er I stand, guide my feet, hold my



light, take my hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me on.  
fall, take my hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me on.  
hand, take my hand, pre - cious Lord, lead me on.

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

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

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

## The Sermon

The Reverend Eric Biddy

## The Nicene Creed

*The People are invited to stand.*

*All* ***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 catholic and apostolic 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.***

## The Prayers of the People

*The People are invited to remain standing or kneel.*

*Celebrant* In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence.*

*Leader* For all people in their daily life and work;  
*People* ***For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.***

For this community, the nation, and the world;  
***For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.***

For the just and proper use of your creation;  
***For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.***

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;  
***For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.***

For the peace and unity of the Church of God; ***For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.***

For Sean our Presiding Bishop, and Frank our Bishop; for Eric, Kimberly, Bill, Cynthia, Erwin, and Ted our clergy; for Mary our candidate for the priesthood; and for all bishops and other ministers;  
***For all who serve God in the Church.***

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*The People may add their own petitions, either silently or aloud.*

Hear us, Lord;  
***For your mercy is great.***

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*The People may add their own petitions, either silently or aloud.*

We will exalt you, O God our King;  
***And praise your Name for ever and ever.***

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*The People may add their own petitions, either silently or aloud.*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;  
***Who put their trust in you.***

*Celebrant* We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*All* ***Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

*Celebrant* 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

*The People are invited to stand.*

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

*People* **And also with you.**

*The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## Parish Greetings and Notices

The Reverend Eric Biddy

# The Holy Communion

## The Offertory Sentence

*Celebrant*

## At the Offertory, Anthem

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Laudate Dominum (from Solemn Vespers, K. 339)

*Sung in Latin*

Melissa Larkin Schultz, Soprano

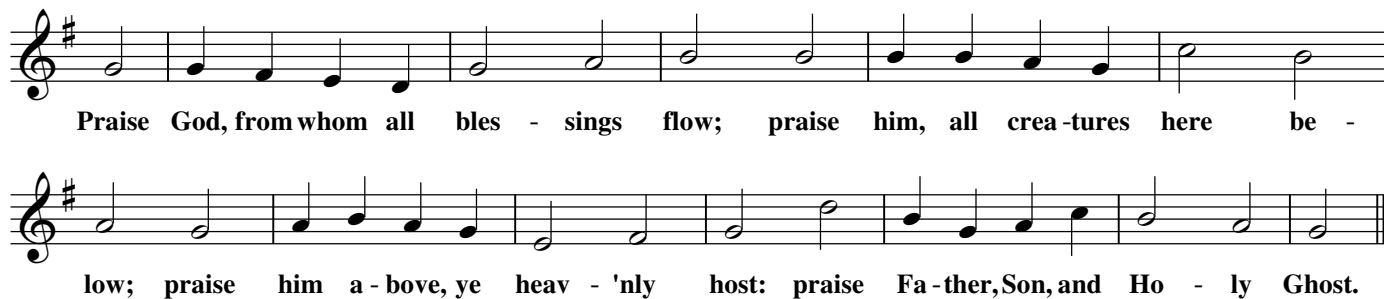
The Saint Paul's Choir

Praise the Lord, all nations; Praise Him, all people. For He has bestowed His mercy upon us, And the truth of the Lord endures forever. Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and forever, and for generations of generations. Amen. - Psalm 117

## Presentation Hymn

"Praise God from whom all blessings flow"

Old 100<sup>th</sup>



The musical notation is written on two staves in G major (one sharp). The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the hymn, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Praise God, from whom all bles - sings flow; praise him, all crea - tures here be -

low; praise him a - bove, ye heav - 'nly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

## The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer 1

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

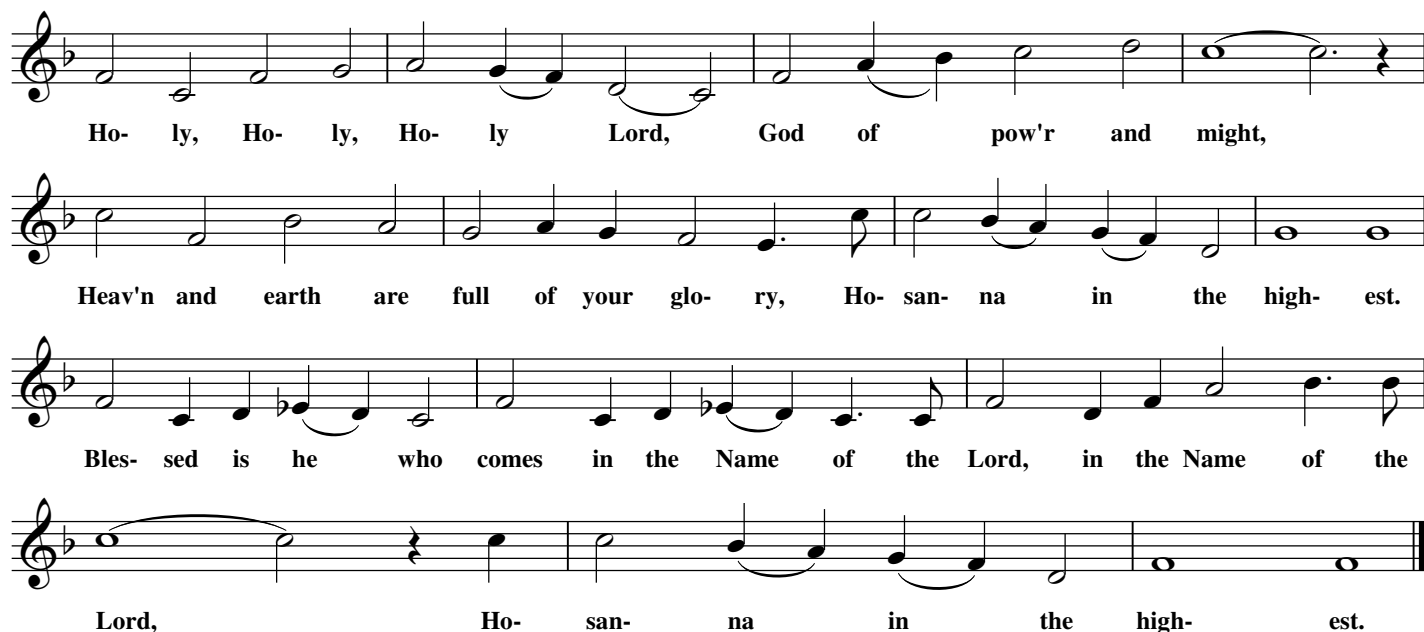
*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* 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; your 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 and Benedictus qui venit**

**Missapiphania, by Keith Shafer**



The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below each staff. The first staff contains the lyrics 'Ho- ly, Ho- ly, Ho- ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,'. The second staff contains 'Heav'n and earth are full of your glo- ry, Ho- san- na in the high- est.' The third staff contains 'Bles- sed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord, in the Name of the'. The fourth staff contains 'Lord, Ho- san- na in the high- est.' The score ends with a double bar line.

Ho- ly, Ho- ly, Ho- ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo- ry, Ho- san- na in the high- est.  
Bles- sed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord, in the Name of the  
Lord, Ho- san- na in the high- est.

*The People are invited to remain standing or kneel.*

*Celebrant* 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."

*Celebrant* Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

*Celebrant* 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 Saint 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.**

### The Lord's Prayer

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

*All*            ***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 and Invitation

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People*       ***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

### The Fraction Anthem

Missapiphania, by Keith Shafer

Lamb of God, you take a- way the sins of the world, have mer- cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a- way the sins of the world, have mer- cy on us,

Lamb of God, you take a- way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

## The Communion

*All who come in faith are welcome at the Lord's table.*

*Please process to the altar by the center aisle,  
exit through the door to the left of the altar, and return to your seat by the side aisles.*

*More information is available on the inside front cover of this bulletin.*

## The Communion Music

### Organ Voluntary

Alfred Fedak and Larry Shackley

### Two Preludes on "Melita"

### Hymn 608

### "Eternal Father, strong to save"

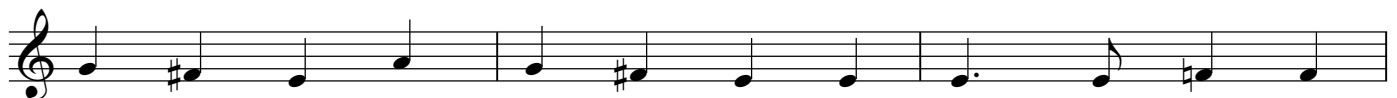
Melita



1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, whose arm hath bound the  
2 O Christ, whose voice the wa - ters heard and hushed their ra - ging  
3 Most Ho - ly Spi - rit, who didst brood up - on the cha - os  
4 O Trin - i - ty of love and pow'r, thy chil - dren shield in



rest - less wave, who bidd'st the might - y o - cean deep its  
at thy word, who walk - edst on the foam - ing deep, and  
dark and rude, and bid its an - gry tu - mult cease, and  
dan - ger's hour; from rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, pro -



own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: O hear us when we  
calm a - mid its rage didst sleep: O hear us when we  
give, for wild con - fu - sion, peace: O hear us when we  
tect them where - so - e'er they go; thus ev - er - more shall



cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.  
cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.  
cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.  
rise to thee glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

## The Post-Communion Prayer

*The people are invited to stand or kneel.*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*All* **Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

## Sending out of the Eucharistic Visitor

*Celebrant* In the name of this congregation, I 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.

*All* **We, who are many, are one body because we all share one bread, one cup.**

## The Blessing

*Celebrant*

### Hymn 390

### "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

### Lobe den Herren

1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -  
2 Praise to the Lord; o - ver all things he glo - rious - ly  
3 Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy way and de -  
4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

a - tion; O my soul, praise him, for he is thy  
reign - eth: borne as on ea - gle - wings, safe - ly his  
fend thee; sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall  
dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with

health and sal - va - tion: join the great throng, psal - ter - y,  
saints he sus - tain - eth. Hast thou not seen how all thou  
ev - er at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -  
prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

or - gan, and song, sound - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion.  
need - est hath been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?  
might - y can do, who with his love doth be - friend thee.  
peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.

## The Dismissal

*Celebrant* Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

*People* ***Thanks be to God.***

## Organ Voluntary

Theodore Drath

### Postlude on "Lobe den Herren," Opus 56

### THIS MORNING'S SPECIAL MUSIC

This morning's guest soloist is made possible by a gift from Keith Shafer to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for his wife, Cindy.

### THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

The flowers on the altar this Sunday are given to the glory of God by Kittie and Louis Walker in loving memory of his mother and father, Eleanor Gercke and Stewart Phinizy Walker.

### PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED

***For the special needs and concerns of this congregation;*** especially Dee Richardson, Sandra Mashburn, Betsy Rollins, Kisha Seals, Yvona Myrna, Francis O'Shea, Ann Kilpatrick, Lois Hand, Ricie Eubanks, Dorine Smith, Wayne Matthews, Suzanne Pursley-Crotteau, Samm Fusselle, Katie Delaigle, Susan Keithley, Margaret Lodi, Gary Crotteau, Louis Walker, Jimmy Dykes, Greg Maxie, Bill Houghton, Jim Sealock, Charles Courtney, Laura Luther Medved, Drew Sandbach, Rhett Baker, Ed Moody, Mitch Wyatt, Susan Wyatt, David Hawkins, Jim Williams, Pearce Truesdale, Zach Beckham, Shirley Courtney.

***For those serving our country at home and abroad;*** especially, Kirk Ring, Sam and Lara Powell, Jim Ring, Bennett Ivey, Isaac Mikell, Zach Nevard, Jackson Smith, Brandon Walker.

***For the departed;*** especially Russell Jordan, Elizabeth McCampbell.

### PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

***Following this service*** — "Gather by the River" for a low-country boil in the River Room (donations welcome).

***W.E.E.M. (Women's Enrichment and Empowerment Ministry) begins the new program year next Tuesday, August 11, 5:30 PM in Tyler Hall.*** Our first gathering will feature a time of reacquaintance with W.E.E.M.'s vision and mission. There will be a time for slowing down through Centering Prayer and guided meditation through music and sounds with Mtr. Kimberly. For more information contact Summer Bell at summerfin@gmail.com.

***Common Ground Fellowship will gather for a faith discussion, Wednesday, August 12, 7 PM in Tyler Hall.*** This group is our "common ground" for adults in their 20's to 40's to gather in fellowship, service and deepening faith, whether single or partnered. (Note: these events do not include childcare.) For more information contact Fr. Eric at ebiddy@saintpauls.org.

***All Hands-On Deck next Saturday, August 15! It's time to build another ramp.*** Saint Paul's needs volunteers to build a ramp for one of our neighbors in need. This is part of our Bridge Building Community work in the CSRA. All supplies are provided and we have construction leaders. Sign up on our website (a direct link is available in Friday's *Weekly Postings*). We'll meet at Saint Paul's at 9 AM. Rain date August 22. Contact Gene Helmich for more information at ehelmich21@comcast.net

***Dive right in! The EYC (Episcopal Youth Community, grades 6-12) Kick-off is a Splash Party, August 16.*** Bring your swimsuit and towel. RSVP to Aubrey Hinkson for directions and address at [ahinkson@saintpauls.org](mailto:ahinkson@saintpauls.org).

***Our 2025-2026 program guide is available.*** We invite you to browse this publication and look for ways that you can discover or rediscover where you belong, what you are called to do, and how we might grow together in God's Presence.

***Saint Paul's is hosting the Diocese of Georgia's Acolyte Festival. This event will be an overnight lock-in from Saturday, August 29<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM-Sunday, August 30<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 PM (we will attend the 11AM service).*** We encourage all acolytes and anyone interested in becoming an acolyte to register for the weekend on our website (a direct link is available in the Weekly Postings.) For more information contact Meg Horton at [megmhorton@gmail.com](mailto:megmhorton@gmail.com).

***Adult Formation next Sunday, 9:30 AM, in the Berlin Room—*** For much of this year, the Sunday Forum will take the Catechism as an outline for exploring the questions that motivate our faithful exploration of truth and relationship with God. Watch the *Weekly Postings* for specific topics, and bring your own questions to add to our questions of faith.

***Our youth and children formation returned today (Sunday's 10 - 10:45 AM).*** For more information about our special events and Sunday formation classes, please contact Aubrey Hinkson at [ahinkson@saintpauls.org](mailto:ahinkson@saintpauls.org).

***The Saint Paul's Choir has resumed rehearsals*** at 7 PM on Wednesdays and at 10:00 AM on Sunday mornings prior to the 11:00 AM service. If you're interested in singing, please be in touch with Director of Music, Keith Shafer, [kshafer@saintpauls.org](mailto:kshafer@saintpauls.org) or 706.339.7208 (cell). We'd love to welcome you to the Choir!

***The Canterbury Choir (children in grades 3-9) and the St. Nicholas Choir (Pre-K through grade 2) began today.*** There are no weekday rehearsals for the children's choirs; all rehearsals are scheduled on Sunday mornings to accommodate busy family schedules! If you or any family or friends are interested in the choir program, please email Director of Music, Keith Shafer at [kshafer@saintpauls.org](mailto:kshafer@saintpauls.org) or 706.339.7208 (cell).

***Our Backpack and School Supply Drive for the children at Hornsby Elementary continues through August.*** A supply list from Hornsby is available in the Narthex and in Friday's *Weekly Postings*. If you prefer, gifts may be made for our back-to-school supplies, and we'll do the shopping for you. Use the Giving QR code below or visit our website; Choose Outreach and Hornsby sub fund.

***Open Sundays for Altar Flowers: September 6 and 13.*** If you would like to sponsor a Sunday in honor or memory of someone, please contact the Parish Office at [mailbox@saintpauls.org](mailto:mailbox@saintpauls.org). The normal charge is \$125.

***Name tags allow us to get to know each other and be a welcoming community to all.*** If you need a name tag or have just misplaced yours, drop by the greeters table to complete a yellow form. We'll make the tag and you'll find it at the table next week. Or email the Catherine Stuckey ([cstuckey@saintpauls.org](mailto:cstuckey@saintpauls.org)).

***More information about these announcements and other events*** is available in Friday's *Weekly Postings*, including registration and contact information. A copy is available in the Narthex and on our website; or join our email list by signing up on the website or contacting the parish administrator, at [mailbox@saintpauls.org](mailto:mailbox@saintpauls.org).

***Make a gift*** — "All that we are and all that we have comes from God. In gratitude, we honor him by giving of ourselves and our gifts to care for his world." Gifts can be made using the QR Code to the right, on-line at [saintpauls.org/giving](http://saintpauls.org/giving), or by mail to Saint Paul's Church, 605 Reynolds St., Augusta, GA 30901. Thank you for your generosity.



## SERVING TODAY

|                                                                         |                                |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| The Reverend Eric Biddy                                                 | Preacher                       |
| The Reverend Kimberly E. Dunn                                           | Celebrant                      |
| Keith Shafer                                                            | Director of Music and Organist |
| Carolyn Dolen                                                           | Verger                         |
| Catherine Stuckey, Janet Olson                                          | Eucharistic Ministers          |
| Tom Cathey, Katie McKie                                                 | Lectors                        |
| Annie Lindroth, Simon White, Charlie Cathey, Braylon White, Miles White | Acolytes                       |
| Marilyn Donnan, Mandy Harmon, Gene Helmich, Nick Uros                   | Ushers                         |
| Rose Helmich                                                            | Greeter                        |
| Martin Schwerzler                                                       | Vestry Member                  |
| Ellen Nesbitt                                                           | Eucharistic Visitor            |
| Laurie Montgomery                                                       | Altar Guild                    |

## VESTRY

|                           |                                   |                      |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|
| Linda Hardy, Sr. Warden   | Charlie Tudor, Jr. Warden         | Will Rice, Treasurer |
| Bryan Hawkins, Chancellor | Julie Badger, Clerk of the Vestry |                      |

### Vestry Term Expires 2027

Kathleen Chandler  
Patsy Davis  
Melissa Friedman

### Vestry Term Expires 2028

Jerry Ashmore, III  
Katherine Ferrara  
Tom Robertson

### Vestry Term Expires 2029

Will Badger  
Summer Bell  
Martin Schwerzler

## COMMITTEE CHAIRS

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|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| Altar Guild – Catherine Stuckey                     | Acolytes – Meg & Donald Horton                              |
| Buildings and Grounds – John Robertson              | Daughters of the King – Kathleen Fickling                   |
| Endowment – Monty Osteen                            | Eucharistic Visitors – Ellen Nesbitt                        |
| Finance – Cameron Nixon                             | Facebook – Stacy Nuessle & Aubrey Hinkson                   |
| Flower Guild – Barbara Register & Laurie Montgomery | Hospitality and Parish Life – Eric Friedman                 |
| Interior Design – Julie Badger                      | Invite, Welcome, Connect – Jackie Pingel & Dianne L'Heureux |
| Lectors & LEM – Robin Merriman                      | Linen Guild – Tricia Nixon                                  |
| Nursery Grandmother's Guild – Coleman Graham        | Outreach – Marilyn Grau                                     |
| Pastoral Care Ministry – Ellen Nesbitt              | Stewardship – Kitty Gordon                                  |
| Ushers – Rex Teeslink & Cindy Shafer                | W.E.E.M. – The Rev. Kimberly Dunn & Summer Bell             |

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| The Reverend Erwin Veale, Assisting Priest                                 |          |                          |
| The Reverend Ted H. Clarkson, Assisting Priest                             |          |                          |
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| Sarah Pritchard, Music Associate Emerita                                   |          |                          |
| Hillary Bryant, Anthony Ellis, James Wheeler; Sextons                      |          |                          |
| Mark Albertin, Brandon Dawson, Marty Duff, Wright Montgomery; Audio Visual |          |                          |

