



The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

**September 27, 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.

- We share communion from three locations: we receive at the altar rail and on the floor below the pulpit (especially for those who need or would prefer to avoid stairs). Or, the ministers can bring bread and wine to you in your pew (please notify an usher).
- At the altar rail, a minister will share bread and another minister will follow with a cup of wine. Those who are drinking from the common cup of wine will eat the bread and then drink from the cup. Those receiving by intinction should hold the bread until the Lay Eucharistic Minister approaches with the wine. The LEM will dip the bread in the wine and then return it. After receiving communion or a blessing, the people exit through the door to the left (as you face the altar).
- To receive a blessing instead of either or both the bread and/or the wine, cross both arms over your chest, with palms on your collar. The church has always taught that Christ is fully present in each element of communion, and so receiving only the bread, for instance, has no effect on the amount of grace enjoyed in the sacrament.
- If your children are in the nursery, you are invited to bring them to receive Holy Communion or a blessing.
- Gluten free bread is available. Please ask the person sharing the bread.

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

In order to prepare for worship and allow for private prayer, we ask that silence be observed upon entering and that you turn off cell phones.

The Word of God

Organ Voluntary

James Kasen, Benjamin Culli, Daniel Fortune

Variations on "Nettleton"

At the Procession, Hymn 686

Nettleton

"Come, thou fount of every blessing"



1 Come, thou fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, tune my heart to sing thy
2 Here I find my great - est trea - sure; hith - er, by thy help, I've
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con - strained to



grace! Streams of mer - cy nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est
come; and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at
be! Let thy good - ness, like a fet - ter, bind my wan - d'ring heart to



praise. Teach me some me - lo-dious son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a -
home. Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger wan - d'ring from the fold of
thee: prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I



bove. Praise the mount! Oh, fix me on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.
God; he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
love; here's my heart, oh, take and seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

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.**

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

Lord God, hea- ven- ly King, al- might-y 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.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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.

The word of the Lord came to me: What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge"? As I live, says the Lord God, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins that shall die.

Yet you say, "The way of the Lord is unfair." Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed they shall die. Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die. Yet the house of Israel says, "The way of the Lord is unfair." O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair?

Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord God. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord God. Turn, then, and live.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

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

Anthem

"O for a thousand tongues to sing"

Malcolm Williamson

Alex Layman and Olivia Layman, Soloists and the Canterbury Choir

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace! My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name. Jesus! The name that charms or fears, that bids our sorrows cease; 'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health, and peace. He speaks and listening to his voice, new life the dead receive, the mournful, broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe. See all your sins on Jesus laid: the Lamb of God was slain. His soul was once an offering made for every soul of man.

- Charles Wesley

The Epistle

Philippians 2:1-13

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death - even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

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



1 Rock of a - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee; let the
 2 Should my tears for ev - er flow, should my zeal no lan - guor know, all for
 3 While I draw this fleet - ing breath, when mine eye - lids close in death, when I



wa - ter and the blood from thy wound - ed side that flowed, be of
 sin could not a - tone: thou must save, and thou a - lone; in my
 rise to worlds un - known and be - hold thee on thy throne, Rock of



sin the dou - ble cure, cleanse me from its guilt and power.
 hand no price I bring, sim - ply to thy cross I cling.
 a - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in thee.

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 21:23-32

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

"What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him."

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 Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Leader Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

In our diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for our congregation Good Shepherd in Swainsboro; in our companion diocese of the Dominican Republic, we pray for Emmanuel in Santiago; and for our ministry partners in Ecuador, Cristo Liberador in Quito and Education Equals Hope. Lord in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit. Give them courage and hope in their troubles and bring them the joy of your salvation. Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Leader We pray for all who are serving our country at home and abroad, that they may be strengthened by
in the indwelling of your Holy Spirit; Lord, in your mercy

People **Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died; that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray
that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Celebrant Almighty God, kindle, we pray, in every heart the true love of peace, and guide with your wisdom
those who take counsel for the nations of the earth, that in tranquility your dominion may increase
until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and
reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Confession

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All ***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.***

The Absolution

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.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory Sentence

Celebrant

At the Offertory, Anthem

Gustav Holst

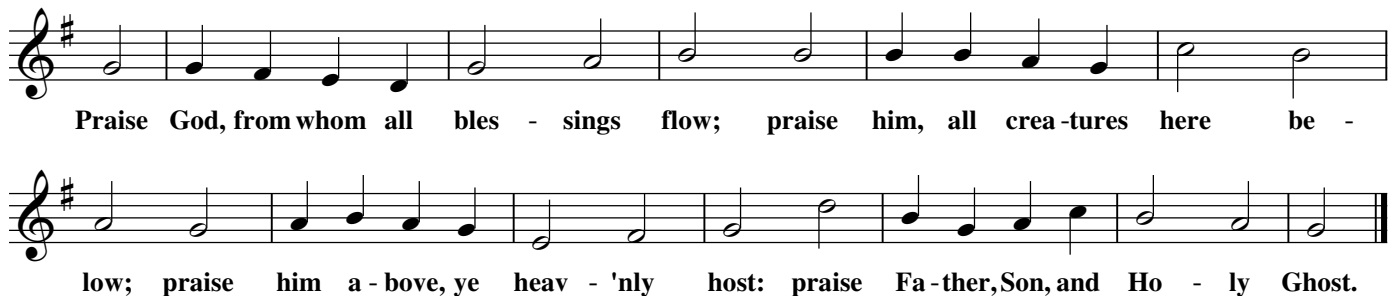
**“Turn back, O man, forswear thy foolish ways”
The Saint Paul’s Choir**

Turn back, O Man, forswear thy foolish ways. Old now is Earth, and none may count her days. Yet thou, her child, whose head is crowned with flame, still wilt not hear thine inner God proclaim, “Turn back, O Man, forswear thy foolish ways!” Earth might be fair and all men glad and wise. Age after age their tragic empires rise. Built while they dream, and in that dreaming weep. Would man but wake from out his haunted sleep earth might be fair and all men glad and wise. Earth shall be fair, and all her people one. Nor till that hour shall God’s whole will be done. Now, even now, once more from earth to sky peals forth in joy man’s old undaunted cry, “Earth shall be fair, and all her folk be one!”
- Clifford Bax

Presentation Hymn

“Praise God from whom all blessings flow”

Old 100th



The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

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

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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

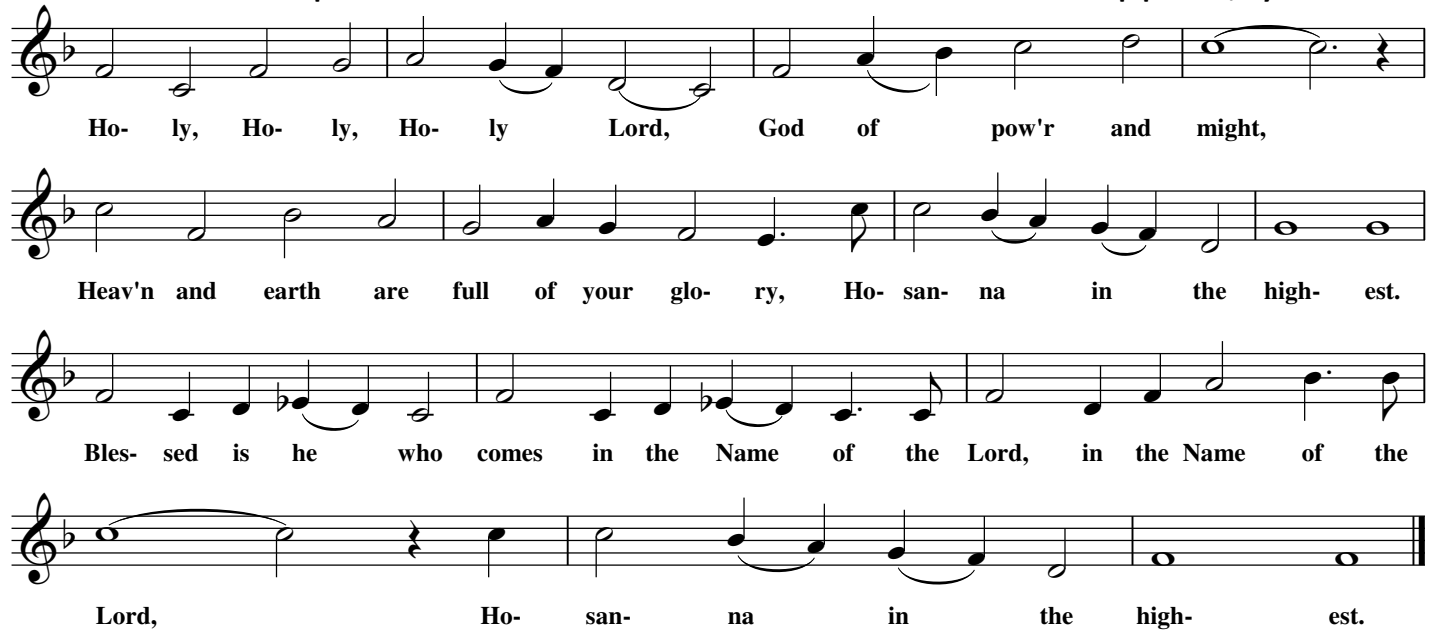
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. ... [the Celebrant says a Proper Preface] ... Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus and Benedictus qui venit

Missapiphania, by Keith Shafer



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 We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

All ***We remember his death; we proclaim his resurrection; we await his coming in glory;***

Celebrant And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Saint Paul and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for 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.

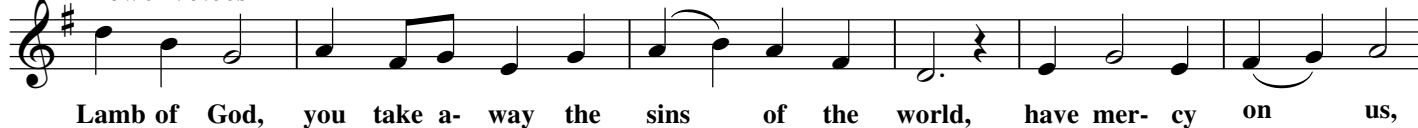
The Fraction Anthem

Missapiphania, by Keith Shafer

Higher voices



Lower voices



All



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

Variations on "King's Weston"

Michael Burkhardt and William Bates



1 At the Name of Je - sus ev - ery knee shall bow,
 2 Hum - bled for a sea - son, to re - ceive a Name
 3 bore it up tri - um - phant, with its hu - man light,
 4 Name him, Chris - tians, name him, with love strong as death,
 5 In your hearts en - throne him; there let him sub - due



1 ev - ery tongue con - fess him King of glo - ry now;
 2 from the lips of sin - ners, un - to whom he came,
 3 through all ranks of crea - tures, to the cen - tral height,
 4 name with awe and won - der and with bat - ed breath;
 5 all that is not ho - ly, all that is not true;



1 'tis the Fa - ther's plea - sure we should call him Lord,
 2 faith - ful - ly he bore it spot - less to the last,
 3 to the throne of God - head, to the Fa - ther's breast;
 4 he is God the Sa - vior, he is Christ the Lord,
 5 crown him as your Cap - tain in temp - ta - tion's hour;



1 who from the be - gin - ning was the might - y Word.
 2 brought it back vic - to - rious, when from death he passed;
 3 filled it with the glo - ry of that per - fect rest.
 4 ev - er to be wor - shiped, trust - ed, and a - dored.
 5 let his will en - fold you in its light and power.

The Post-Communion Prayer

The people are invited to stand or kneel.

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **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.**

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

*Children are invited to process out with the altar party.
Gather below the lectern and wait for appropriate adult at the font.*

Hymn 477

"All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine"

Engelberg

1 All praise to thee, for thou, O King di - vine,
2 Thou cam'st to us in low - li - ness of thought;
3 Let this mind be in us which was in thee,
4 Where - fore, by God's e - ter - nal pur - pose, thou
5 Let ev - ery tongue con - fess with one ac - cord

1 didst yield the glo - ry that of right was thine,
2 by thee the out - cast and the poor were sought;
3 who wast a ser - vant that we might be free,
4 art high ex - alt - ed o'er all crea - tures now,
5 in heaven and earth that Je - sus Christ is Lord;

1 that in our dark - ened hearts thy grace might shine.
2 and by thy death was God's sal - va - tion wrought.
3 hum - bling thy self to death on Cal - va - ry.
4 and given the Name to which all knees shall bow.
5 and God the Fa - ther be by all a - dored.

Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

The Dismissal

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

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

Organ Voluntary

M. Searle Wright

Postlude on "Engelberg"

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

The flowers on the altar this Sunday are given by Linda and Jim Hilliard in thanksgiving for all pets.
Arranged by the Flower Guild.

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation; especially Ann Pendarvis, Rain Coleman, Sandra Mashburn, Betsy Rollins, Kisha Seals, Yvona Myrna, Ann Kilpatrick, Lois Hand, Ricie Eubanks, Dorine Smith, Suzanne Pursley-Crotteau, Samm Fusselle, Katie Delaigle, Susan Keithley, Margaret Lodi, Gary Crotteau, Louis Walker, Jimmy Dykes, Greg Maxie, Jim Sealock, Charles Courtney, Laura Luther Medved, Rhett Baker, Mitch Wyatt, Susan Wyatt, David Hawkins, Jim Williams, Pearce Truesdale, Zach Beckham, Shirley Courtney, Jane Silcox, Jeremy Carr, Mark Simon, Rob Verfurth, Victor Dunn, Jamie Medved, Sonia Bentley, Warren Sealock, Arion Strothers, Betty Harrod, Ann Parker, the Moyer family.

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 Beth Huggins, Courtney Lewis.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Following this service— It is Ironman Sunday! After the 11 AM service, please join us on the River Room for “Lemonade on the Terrace”. We will have our own Saint Paul’s Cheer Station with inspirational music and noise makers for cheering on the runners. For those staying for the afternoon, we’ll have the makings for PB&J, hot dogs and snacks. Let’s make a joyful noise!

We’ll have a photographer here again this Sunday for Directory Photos. If you’d like to have your photo or your family’s picture included in the directory, please stop by the welcome desk on the west portico.

Need help joining the new Church Directory with Realm? We’re happy to help you get started and answer your questions. Contact Toni (tclayton@saintpauls.org) if you did not receive an invitation link, if your link has expired, if you need help with the Realm settings or the Realm app.

Next Sunday 9:30 AM in the Berlin Room—Questions of Faith: How does omnipotence work? And just how much is there to all that is, seen and unseen? On October 4 at the Sunday Forum, we’ll continue our journey through the catechism by focusing on its claims about divine power. Following the track of God as creator, we will then wonder about the fullness of creation— what is included when we confess that God created all that is, seen and unseen?

Blessing of the Animals—Bring your best friend for a celebration and blessing next Sunday, October 4 at 4 PM in the Churchyard. The Saint Paul’s Blessing of the Animals is cosponsored by The Augusta Humane Society. Please consider a donation of paper towels, bleach, Dawn detergent, 13-gallon garbage bags, or cash/check for this shelter. All animals must be on a leash or in a carrier.

The 38th season of Tuesday’s Music Live continues October 6 with a free 30-minute concert at 12:00 Noon performed by Anita Graef, cello, and Nathan Canfield, piano. More information at tuesdaysmusiclive.com or 706-722-3463.

Join us for our next Men’s Monthly Meal (Mmm!) scheduled Wednesday, October 7. (Men gather at 4 PM to cook, the parish gathers at 6 PM for dinner.) Details forthcoming. Please RSVP on the website, so that we may be a good host. A direct link is available in Friday’s *Weekly Postings*.

The Daughters of the King invite you to a spiritual morning of quiet solitude, Saturday, October 10, 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM, beginning in the chapel. Bring “prayer tools” such as your bible, journal, or anything used for meditation. Contact Mtr. Kimberly for information at kdunn@saintpauls.org.

Spiritual Explorations meets October 11 from 4 -5 PM in the Berlin Room. Linda Hardy will lead a discussion of Visio Divina. All are welcome. For further information contact Lydia Bliven at bliven@comcast.net or Linda Hardy at lindahardy703@gmail.com.

Common Ground Fellowship will gather Wednesday, October 14, 7 PM for Compline in the Chapel and then dinner downtown together. 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.

Register for Cursillo, October 15-18 at Honey Creek. Cursillo is a weekend for adults that gives participants the opportunity to build community and delve deeper into their faith. More details and a link to registration are available in Friday’s *Weekly Postings*. For more information contact Heather Wheeler (hndawgs@gmail.com) or by phone (706) 993-8471).

RSVP for Parents’ Afternoon Out October 18. This time is set aside for parents to reconnect and recharge while children enjoy pumpkin painting and park play. Contact Aubrey Hinkson for more information at ahinkson@saintpauls.org. RSVP required.

Hornsby Book Drive continues through September—Support young readers at Hornsby Elementary by giving a new or gently read book (all ages picture book - 5th grade). A list of suggested titles is available. If you prefer, gifts may be made for our book drive, and we’ll do the shopping for you. Use the Giving QR code below or visit our website; Choose Outreach and Hornsby sub fund. For more information contact Barbara Coleman at barbaracolem@gmail.com.

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).

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, 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
John Robertson	Verger
Ellen Nesbitt, Meg Horton	Eucharistic Ministers
Tom Cathey, Katie McKie	Lectors
Braylon White, Simon White, Leo Karsarjian, Charlie Cathey, Miles White, James Robertson	Acolytes
Art Bryan, Wesley Cadle, Martin Schwerzler, Cindy Shafer	Ushers
Jerry Ashmore, III	Vestry Member
Cathleen O'Shea, Mandy Harmon	Greeters
Ellen Nesbitt	Eucharistic Visitor
Kathleen Fickling, Becky Wright	Altar Guild

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8:00 - 8:45 AM	HOLY EUCHARIST Rite I
9:00 AM - 10:45 AM	LIGHT BREAKFAST - TYLER HALL
9:25 - 10:00 AM	CHILDREN/YOUTH CHOIR REHEARSALS
9:30 - 10:30 AM	CHRISTIAN FORMATION FOR ADULTS
10:00 - 10:45 AM	CHRISTIAN FORMATION FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	HOLY EUCHARIST Rite II
Following the 11:00 AM Service	LEMONADE ON THE LAWN
5:00 - 7:00 PM	EYC (EPISCOPAL YOUTH COMMUNITY) (please see the EYC calendar for dates)
5:30 - 6:15 PM	CELTIC EVENING PRAYER & COMMUNION WITH PRAYERS FOR HEALING

Nursery care offered in the Children's Ministry Center (CMC) 9:20 AM - 12:30 PM.
The 11 AM service is broadcast on Facebook and YouTube at Saint Paul's Church-Augusta
and by radio at WGAC 580 AM Radio and 95.1 FM Radio. Listen live on-line at <http://wgac.com>

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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

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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 – Linda Hardy and Charlie Tudor
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