



ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Benicia, California

10:00 AM Worship for Sunday, June 23, 2024

Eucharistic Prayer A

The Holy Eucharist Rite II

Proper 7

ENTRANCE HYMN: (H 426) Songs of Praise the Angels Sang

All stand.



1 Songs of praise the an - gels sang, heaven with al - le - lu - ias rang,
2 Songs of praise a - woke the morn when the Prince of Peace was born;
3 Heaven and earth must pass a - way; songs of praise shall crown that day;
4 And shall Chris-tians fail to sing till on earth Christ come as King?
5 Saints be - low, with heart and voice, still in songs of praise re - jice,



1 when cre - a - tion was be - gun, when God spoke and it was done.
2 songs of praise a - rose when he cap - tive led cap - tiv - i - ty.
3 God will make new heaven and earth; songs of praise shall hail their birth.
4 No; the Church de - lights to raise psalms and hymns and songs of praise.
5 learn-ing here, by faith and love, songs of praise to sing a - bove.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant: Blessed be God: most holy, glorious and undivided Trinity.

People: And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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The Celebrant may say

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: (S 280) Glory to God

Canticle 20

The following is sung, all standing

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy

on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING:

1 Samuel 17:32-49

The people sit.

“Master,” said David, “don’t give up hope. I’m ready to go and fight Goliath.” Saul answered David, “You can’t go and fight Goliath. You’re too young and inexperienced—and he’s been at this fighting business since before you were born.” David said, “I’ve been a shepherd, tending sheep for my father. Whenever a lion or bear came and took a lamb from the flock, I’d go after it, knock it down, and rescue the lamb. If it turned on me, I’d grab it by the throat, wring its neck, and kill it. Lion or bear, it made no difference—I killed it. And I’ll do the same to Goliath who is taunting the troops of God-Alive. GOD, who delivered me from the teeth of the lion and the claws of the bear, will deliver me from Goliath.”

Saul said, “Go. And GOD help you!”

Then Saul outfitted David as a soldier in armor. He put his bronze helmet on his head and belted his sword on him over the armor. David tried to walk but he could hardly budge. David told Saul, “I can’t even move with all this stuff on me. I’m not used to this.” And he took it all off.

Then David took his shepherd’s staff, selected five smooth stones from the brook, and put them in the pocket of his shepherd’s pack, and with his sling in his hand approached Goliath.

As Goliath paced back and forth, his shield bearer in front of him, he noticed David. He took one look down on him and sneered—a mere boy, apple-cheeked and peach-fuzzed.

Goliath ridiculed David. “Am I a dog that you come after me with a stick?” And he cursed him by his gods.

“Come on,” said Goliath. “I’ll make roadkill of you for the buzzards. I’ll turn you into a tasty morsel for the field mice.”

David answered, “You come at me with sword and spear and battle-ax. I come at you in the name of GOD-of-the-Angel-Armies, the God of Israel’s troops, whom you curse and mock. This very day GOD is handing you over to me. I’m about to kill you, cut off your head, and serve up your body and the bodies of your buddies to the crows and coyotes. The whole earth

will know that there’s an extraordinary God in Israel. And everyone gathered here will learn that GOD doesn’t save by means of sword or spear. The battle belongs to GOD—he’s handing you to us on a platter!”

That roused Goliath, and he started toward David. David took off from the frontline, running toward Goliath. David reached into his pocket for a stone, slung it, and hit Goliath hard in the forehead, embedding the stone deeply. Goliath crashed, facedown in the dirt.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may follow.

PSALM:

9:9-20

Remain seated.

The Lord will be a refuge for the oppressed, *
a refuge in time of trouble.

Those who know your Name will put their trust in you, *
for you never forsake those who seek you, O Lord.

Sing praise to the Lord who dwells in Zion; *
proclaim to the peoples the things he has done.

The Avenger of blood will remember them; *
he will not forget the cry of the afflicted.

Have pity on me, O Lord; *
**see the misery I suffer from those who hate me,
O you who lift me up from the gate of death;**

So that I may tell of all your praises
and rejoice in your salvation *
in the gates of the city of Zion.

The ungodly have fallen into the pit they dug, *
and in the snare they set is their own foot caught.

The Lord is known by his acts of justice; *
the wicked are trapped in the works of their own hands.

The wicked shall be given over to the grave, *
and also all the peoples that forget God.

For the needy shall not always be forgotten, *
and the hope of the poor shall not perish for ever.

Rise up, O Lord, let not the ungodly have the upper hand; *

let them be judged before you.

Put fear upon them, O Lord; *

let the ungodly know they are but mortal.

SECOND READING:

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

The people sit.

Companions as we are in this work with you, we beg you, please don't squander one bit of this marvelous life God has given us. God reminds us, I heard your call in the nick of time; The day you needed me, I was there to help.

Well, now is the right time to listen, the day to be helped. Don't put it off; don't frustrate God's work by showing up late, throwing a question mark over everything we're doing. Our work as God's servants gets validated—or not—in the details. People are watching us as we stay at our post, alertly, unswervingly . . . in hard times, tough times, bad times; when we're beaten up, jailed, and mobbed; working hard, working late, working without eating; with pure heart, clear head, steady hand; in gentleness, holiness, and honest love; when we're telling the truth, and when God's showing his power; when we're doing our best setting things right; when we're praised, and when we're blamed; slandered, and honored; true to our word, though distrusted; ignored by the world, but recognized by God; terrifically alive, though rumored to be dead; beaten within an inch of our lives, but refusing to die; immersed in tears, yet always filled with deep joy; living on handouts, yet enriching many; having nothing, having it all.

Dear, dear Corinthians, I can't tell you how much I long for you to enter this wide-open, spacious life. We didn't fence you in. The smallness you feel comes from within you. Your lives aren't small, but you're living them in a small way. I'm speaking as plainly as I can and with great affection. Open up your lives. Live openly and expansively!

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may follow

GOSPEL HYMN: (H 10) New Every Morning is the Love

The following is sung, all standing



1 New ev - ery morn - ing is the love
2 New mer - cies, each re - turn - ing day,
*3 If on our dai - ly course our mind
*4 Old friends, old scenes, will love - lier be,
*5 The tri - vial round, the com - mon task,
6 On - ly, O Lord, in thy dear love,



1 our wak - ening and up - ris - ing prove;
2 a - round us ho - ver while we pray;
3 be set to hal - low all we find,
4 as more of heaven in each we see;
5 will fur - nish all we ought to ask:
6 fit us for per - fect rest a - bove;



1 through sleep and dark - ness safe - ly brought,
2 new per - ils past, new sins for - given,
3 new trea - sures still, of count - less price,
4 some soft - ening gleam of love and prayer
5 room to den - y our - selves; a road
6 and help us, this and ev - ery day,



1 re - stored to life and power and thought.
2 new thoughts of God, new hopes of heaven.
3 God will pro - vide for sac - ri - fice.
4 shall dawn on ev - ery cross and care.
5 to bring us dai - ly near - er God.
6 to live more near - ly as we pray.

GOSPEL:

Mark 4:35-41

All stand.

Late that day he said to them, "Let's go across to the other side." They took him in the boat as he was. Other boats came along. A huge storm came up. Waves poured into the boat, threatening to sink it. And Jesus was in the stern, head on a pillow, sleeping! They roused him, saying, "Teacher, is it nothing to you that we're going down?"

Awake now, he told the wind to pipe down and said to the sea, "Quiet! Settle down!" The wind ran out of breath; the sea became smooth as glass. Jesus reprimanded the disciples: "Why are you such cowards? Don't you have any faith at all?"

They were in absolute awe, staggered. "Who is this, anyway?" they asked. "Wind and sea at his beck and call!"

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON:

Judy Furlong

VBS ANTHEM: Living Water

The following is optional to sing along to.

Verse 1 This goes out to every outcast
To the just don't quite fit in
Every wrong way runaway rebel
So ashamed of where you've been
This goes out to every searcher
Trying to fill that empty space
Well you're searching days are over now
Everything's about to change

Chorus Come on down to the living water
Waves of mercy washing over you
No more strangers only sons and daughters
Come down to the living water
And rise up new

Verse 2 Have you heard about a man named Jesus
He's the way the truth the life
Stretched out his arms on a rugged cross
And paid every sinner's price
So when you're tired of all your running
You don't have to run no more
You can leave it all behind you
Just believe and be reborn

Chorus

Bridge Oh this is your invitation
Oh no more lost and alone
Oh this is your invitation
Hear your Father saying
Welcome home

Verse 3 See that cross up on the steeple
Hear that sweet forgiveness song
Come and join the Jesus people
This is where your heart belongs

Chorus

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THE CREED

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All stand.

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

All remain standing.

THE PEACE

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All stand.

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

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, AND TRANSITIONS

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin anew. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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OFFERTORY HYMN: (LEVAS 195) I've Been 'Buked

The following is sung, all standing.

1. I've been 'buked___ an' I've___ been scorned,_____
 2. Dere is trou - ble all o - ver dis worl',_____
 3. Ain' gwine lay____ my 'li - gion down,_____

1. I've been 'buked___ an' I've___ been scorned,___ chil - dren;___
 2. Dere is trou - ble all o - ver dis worl',___ chil - dren;___
 3. Ain' gwine lay____ my 'li - gion down,___ chil - dren;___

1. I've been 'buked___ an' I've___ been scorned,_____
 2. Dere is trou - ble all o - ver dis worl',_____
 3. Ain' gwine lay____ my 'li - gion down,_____

1. I've been talked a - bout sho's___ you' born.
 2. Dere is trou - ble all o - ver dis worl'.
 3. Ain' gwine lay____ my 'li - gion down.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

People and Celebrant

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,
 forever and ever. Amen.

BLESSING

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The Deacon blesses the people, saying

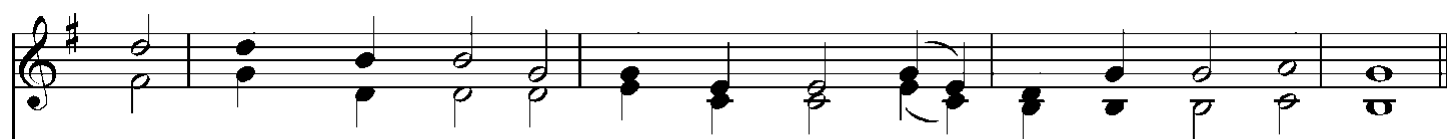
The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon us and remain with us for ever. **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN: (H 493) O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

The following is sung



1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my dear Re - deem - er's praise,
 2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim
 3 Je - sus! the Name that charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease;
 4 He speaks; and, lis - tening to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive,
 5 Hear him, ye deaf; ye voice - less ones, your loos - ened tongues em - ploy;



1 the glo - ries of my God and King, the tri - umphs of his grace!
 2 and spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy Name.
 3 'tis mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.
 4 the mourn - ful bro - ken hearts re - jice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.
 5 ye blind, be - hold, your Sa - vior comes; and leap, ye lame, for joy!

DISMISSAL

The Deacon will dismiss the people

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.



ANNOUNCEMENTS



Memorial Eucharist for Wendy Peterson

Thursday, June 27th at 10:00 am

May She Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory



Peddler's Fair Traffic Control- Saturday, August 10th



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:



WHAT??!!! ALREADY??!



It seems like just yesterday I was asking for volunteers to sign up for the Peddler's Fair Traffic Control! Okay, no it doesn't. But we want to get rolling on the sign-ups so we're ahead of the game. I will have the sign-up board Sunday's after services in the Parish Hall. You can also sign up on Google Docs at the URL below.

New to St. Paul's and not sure what it's about? It's super easy!! I can tell you more about it after services or you can call me! We also provide a video training session! Doesn't get any easier than that!!

So, all hands on deck!!

On His Hook,
Steve Rodekohr
707-580-8104

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1z_cPgGfG2IWU6_9BLgv_iSHvli8CVy2heMckaC5miAA/edit?usp=sharing

Docent Volunteers Needed



Would you like to volunteer for work during the Peddler's Fair, but are hesitant due to standing or sitting in the summer heat on First Street? Why not volunteer as a docent and stay inside St. Paul's? Extensive historical knowledge is not a requirement, only a general friendly attitude and a willingness to welcome people inside.

The most frequently asked questions by visitors are usually A) how old St. Paul's is and B) who built it (short answers: A) 165 years and B) shipwrights located in Benicia, based on the architectural designs by Julian McAllister, a US Army engineer). Most questions after that are some variants on where restrooms are located, service times, what denomination St. Paul's is, etc.

Questions and inquiries can be e-mailed to me at: timmarkley5@yahoo.com. More information will also be provided.

-Tim Markley, St. Paul's Archivist



Relay for Life Walkers and Greeters Needed 8/3 – 8/4 - St Patrick's/St Vincent's High School track – 1500 Benicia Rd Vallejo.

The St Paul's Holy Strollers will be participating in the Benicia Vallejo Napa American Canyon Relay for Life fundraising walk to support the American Cancer Society again this year. Opening ceremony and Survivor's lap at 10 AM Saturday August 3rd; final ceremony and dove release Sunday morning August 4th. In between, we take turns walking so that at least one Holy Stroller is on the track for the entire 24 hours. You can walk a few minutes, or a few hours or you can sit in the shade at our tent/home base and greet cancer survivors with a small gift from the people of St Paul's. Relay for Life is fun, moving, and

hopeful as our community comes together to fight cancer. The money raised goes to support ACS services, research, and more.

St Paul's will be creating fundraising luminarias at several upcoming coffee hours to honor our loved ones fighting cancer and remember those we have lost. The luminarias will be lit Saturday 8/3 during the walk and light the way for overnight walkers, a glowing recognition of the impact cancer has on our community.

Interested? Come to coffee hour and find out more, or email Laura Peabody-Park Lpeabodyca@hotmail.com (preferred) or 925.451.0569 cell.

There are two steps to participate as a walker/runner

1. Sign up for a time slot to walk or greet survivors on the sheet in the Parish Hall.
2. Register for the walk online at <http://main.acsevents.org/goto/StPaulsBenicia24>

TGIF (Thank Goodness it's Fourth Friday)



is on **Friday June 28th, from 5:30-7:30 in the undercroft.**

Bring an appetizer to share and your favorite beverage (alcoholic or non-alcoholic). Michelle Kaye-Fitzgerald is hosting this month.



Party of Parties

Party of Parties proceeds benefit all the programs at St. Paul's as well as providing lots of fun and fellowship. Please join us!

- First Street Scavenger Hunt (9/7/24); \$25/team

To sign up for a party, contact the church office at (707) 745-0307 or admin@stpaulsbenicia.org.



Film Screening - The Philadelphia Eleven

**July 13th, 2 - 4 pm, Trinity Cathedral
2620 Capitol Ave, Sacramento**

Donations on a sliding scale of \$5 - \$10 are welcome - no one will be turned away for lack of funds

In an act of civil disobedience, a group of women and their supporters organize their ordination to become Episcopal priests in 1974. The Church of the Advocate in Philadelphia welcomes them, but change is no small task. The women are harassed, threatened and banned from stepping on church property. In this feature-length documentary film, we meet the women who succeed in building a movement that transforms an age-old institution, and challenges the very essence of patriarchy within Christendom.

Following the screening, there will be a reception in the Lexis Gallery, featuring an exhibit comprised of some 20 art pieces by seven women artists, all of whom attend Trinity Cathedral.

Air Conditioning in Need of Repair



The church A/C system is broken, we apologize for the inconvenience.

For those of you who are heat sensitive, please dress comfortably in anticipation of the summer heat. We appreciate your patience!



Morning Prayer Weekdays at 9 a.m. in Church and on Zoom

Join Zoom meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89062643237?pwd=YzFxOU43dDJ0TTlnM0VCZkY0REMxUT09>

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The deadline for submitting announcements is Wednesday at noon.

Please e-mail information to: admin@stpaulsbenicia.org

Office phone: (707) 745-0307

PRAYERS

WE PRAY FOR GOD'S HEALING

Judith Mooney

WE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL

Wendy Peterson
Lee Anne Bundesen

**WE GIVE THANKS FOR BIRTHDAYS &
ANNIVERSARIES**

6/26 Jackie French, Sandy Schipper
6/28 Betsy Zampa
6/24 Bob & Donna Lawson

**WE GIVE THANKS FOR THOSE SERVING IN OUR
ARMED FORCES**

Major Russ Morris, U.S. Air Force Reserves
SFC Mike Moverley, 1st Battalion 143rd Field Artillery, U.S. Army
Warrant Officer Brandon Niemann, U.S. Army
AB Andrew Severa, U.S. Air Force
SA Michelle Severa, PA, Air National Guard
Senior Airman Jake Sackett, U.S. Air Force
Capt. Xacasia Evans-Walp, U.S. Army

E-mail: admin@stpaulsbenicia.org for updates or additions

CALENDAR

SUN 6/23 - PROPER 7

10 am +Service - VBS Sunday
 11 am Godly Play (U)
 11 am Coffee Hour (P)
 3 pm Meditation Potluck (P)
 8 pm AA (P)

MON 6/24

9 am +Morning Prayer
 4:30 pm Meal (P)
 7 pm +GVRD Jazz Band
 8 pm AA (P)

TUES 6/25

7 am AA Meeting (P)
 9 am +Morning Prayer
 Kiwanis Meeting 5:30 pm (P)

WED 6/26

7am AA Meeting (P)
 9 am +Morning Prayer
 10 am +Communion
 11 am Bible Study (P)
 4:30 pm Meal (P)
 7 pm +GVRD Symph Band
 7 pm BAFC Meeting (U)

THURS 6/27

7am AA Meeting (P)
 9 am +Morning Prayer - Cancelled
 10 am + Memorial Eucharist for
 Wendy Peterson
 7 pm +Music Practice

FRI 6/28

7am AA Meeting (P)
 9 am +Morning Prayer
 7 pm NA Meeting (P)

SAT 6/29

7 am AA Meeting (U)

SUN 6/30 - PROPER 8

KEY

+ = Church
 P = Parish Hall
 U = Undercroft
 R = Rectory

10 am +Communion
 11 am Godly Play (U)
 11 am Coffee Hour (P)
 4 pm Meditation (P)
 8 pm AA (P)

SERVING THIS WEEK - JUNE 23, 2024	
10:00 AM	
Officiant	Rev. Beth Gaines
Preacher	Judy Furlong
Deacon	Rev. Beth Gaines
Music	Dr. Matthew Welch
Lector	VBS Participants
Intercessor	VBS Participants
Ushers	Jeff Jarvis & Steve Rodekohr
Altar Guild	Steve Rodekohr & Cathy Cellini
Flower Guild	Megan Klingensmith
Office Angels	Dale Kilbourne
Verger	Mark Park

Parish Leadership		
Clergy	Staff	Vestry
<p>The Rev. Annie Mertz, <i>Rector</i> The Rev. Beth Gaines, <i>Deacon</i> The Rev. Canon Mary Goshert, <i>Associate Priest</i> The Rev. Pamela Higgins, <i>Associate Priest</i> The Rev. Dr. Arthur Holder, <i>Associate Priest</i></p>	<p>Dr. Matthew Welch, Traditional Music Director Eric Foster, Communications Coordinator Lisa Lannoy, Parish Administrator Tim Markley, <i>Archivist</i></p>	<p>Jeff Jarvis, Senior Warden Chris Preovolos, Junior Warden Donna Marshall, Ed Curtis, Laura Peabody-Park, Jill Morris, Lisa Pena, Ann Lindsay, Gerri MacGregor</p>



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Benicia, California

MISSION

St. Paul's welcomes all people at any stage of their spiritual journey to worship together, care for the community, and live the message of Jesus Christ.

VISION

We strive to be an active, diverse, and welcoming community where people come together to worship and deepen their faith.

VALUES

Community	Inclusion	The Message of Jesus Christ	Spiritual Growth
We support our neighbors through service and compassion. We are a safe space and a supportive community where members are cared for by one another.	We are an inclusive community where people of all identities, backgrounds, and histories are welcome to find and continue their spiritual journey.	We believe in striving to live the message of Jesus Christ every day. At St. Paul's, we walk the way of love together.	At any point in a person's spiritual journey, there are opportunities to learn, grow, and strengthen one's faith at St. Paul's.