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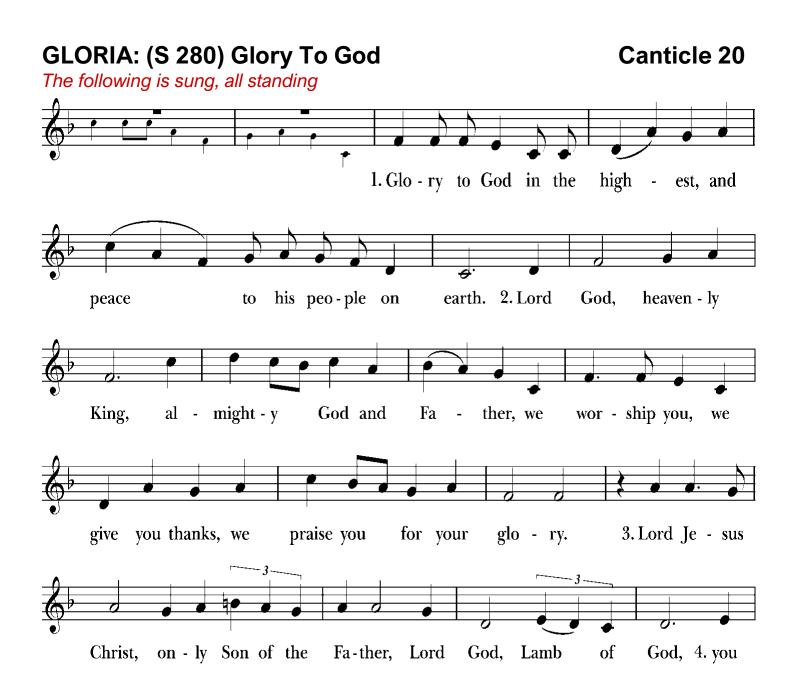
The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. **People:** And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Let us pray in unison

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.





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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. Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

FIRST READING:

2 Samuel 7:1-14a

The people sit

¹Now when the king was settled in his house, and the LORD had given him rest from all his enemies around him, ²the king said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent." ³Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that you have in mind; for the LORD is with you."

⁴But that same night the word of the LORD came to Nathan: ⁵Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the LORD: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? ⁶I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. ⁷Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?" ⁸Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the LORD of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; ⁹ and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. ¹⁰And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, ¹¹from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the LORD declares to you that the LORD will make you a house. ¹²When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. ¹³He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.^{14a}I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.** *Silence may follow.*

Psalm 24

PSALM: *Remain seated.*

²⁰I have found David my servant; * with my holy oil have I anointed him. ²¹My hand will hold him fast * and my arm will make him strong. ²²No enemy shall deceive him, * nor any wicked man bring him down. ²³I will crush his foes before him * and strike down those who hate him. ²⁴My faithfulness and steadfast love are with him, * and he shall be victorious through my Name. ²⁵I shall make his dominion extend * from the Great Sea to the River. ²⁶He will say to me, "You are my Father, * my God, and the rock of my salvation." ²⁷I will make him my firstborn * and higher than the kings of the earth. ²⁸I will keep my love for him for ever, * and my covenant will stand firm for him. ²⁹I will establish his line for ever * and his throne as the days of heaven. ³⁰If his children forsake my law * and do not walk according to my judgments; ³¹If they break my statutes * and do not keep my commandments; ³²I will punish their transgressions with a rod * and their iniquities with the lash; ³³But I will not take my love from him, * nor let my faithfulness prove false. ³⁴I will not break my covenant, * nor change what has gone out of my lips. ³⁵Once for all I have sworn by my holiness: * "I will not lie to David. ³⁶His line shall endure for ever * and his throne as the sun before me; ³⁷It shall stand fast for evermore like the moon, * the abiding witness in the sky."

SECOND READING:

The people sit.

¹¹Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision"—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—¹²remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. ¹⁵He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. ¹⁷So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; ¹⁸ for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, ²⁰built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. ²¹In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; ²²in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

- Reader: The Word of the Lord.
- People: Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow



GOSPEL HYMN: (H 645) The King of Love My Shepard Is

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GOSPEL:

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

All stand.

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

³⁰The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³²And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

⁵³When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, ⁵⁵and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

Deacon:The Gospel of the Lord.People:Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON:

The Rev. Cn. Mary Goshert

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.

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Deacon or Celebrant says Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Silence may be kept.*

Minister and People

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 Celebrant stands and says

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

THE PEACE

All stand.

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.

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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.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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OFFERTORY CANON: When Jesus Wept

The following is sung

Refrain: When Jesus wept, the falling tear In mercy flowed beyond all bound; When Jesus groaned, a trembling fear Seized all the guilty world around.

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING:

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

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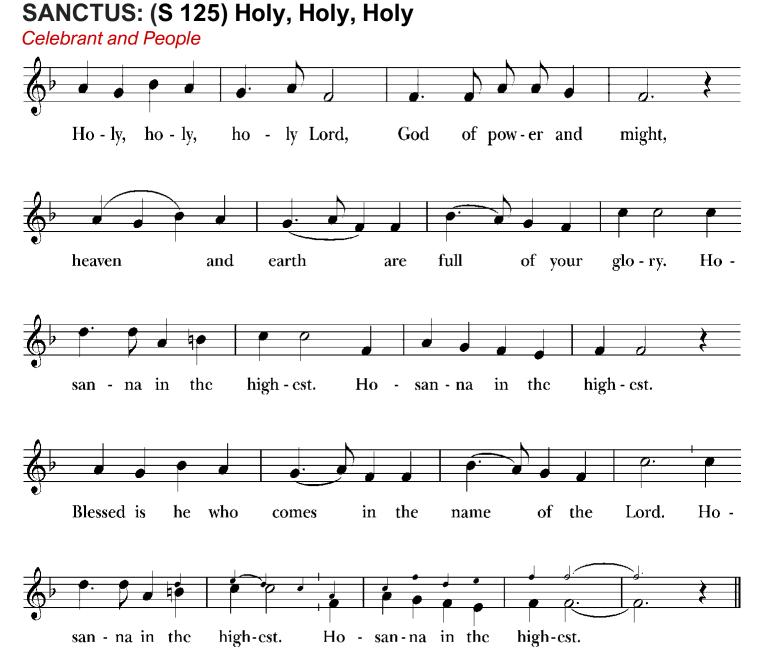
The People remain standing.

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

PROPER PREFACE

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth...

...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:



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The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself... ...Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

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

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The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts...

...All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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

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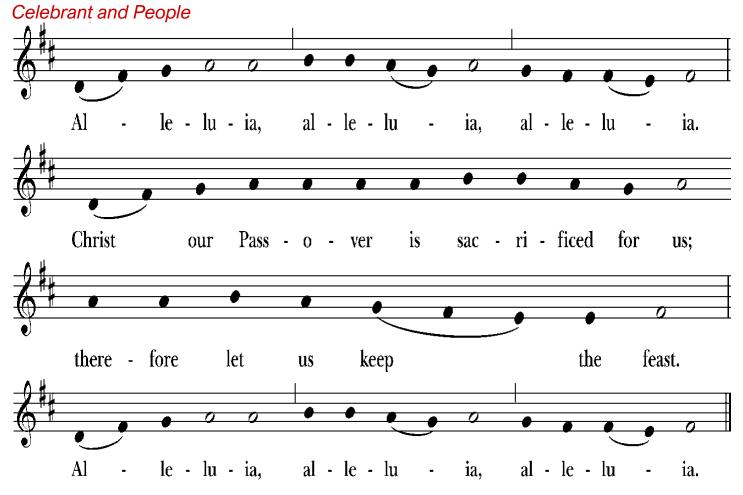
And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

FRACTION ANTHEM: (S 154) Christ Our Passover



INVITATION

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

COMMUNION

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words The Body (Blood) of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. **Amen.**

COMMUNION HYMN: (A3 #71) Jesus's Blood Never Failed Me Yet

The following is sung

Chorus: Jesus' blood never failed me yet Never failed me yet Jesus' blood never failed me yet This one thing I know That he loves me so

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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.

BLESSING

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The Celebrant blesses the people, saying

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

RECESSIONAL HYMN: (A3 #81) I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

The following is sung

- Verse 1 I want to walk as a child of the light.I want to follow Jesus.God sent the stars to give light to the world.The star of my life is Jesus.
- Verse 2 I want to see the brightness of God.I want to look at Jesus.Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path, and show me the way to the Father.
- Verse 3 I'm looking for the coming of Christ, I want to be with Jesus.When we have run with patience the race, we shall know the joy of Jesus.
- RefrainIn him there is no darkness at all.The night and the sky are both alike.The Lamb is the light of the city of God.Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

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DISMISSAL The Deacon will dismiss the people

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. **People: Thanks be to God.**

St. Paul's Episcopal Church WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 <u>Lpeabodyca@hotmail.com</u> (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

Peddlers Fair Street Closure Mailing



The Peddlers Fair needs some intrepid volunteers to help with the annual street closure notification mailing. This coming Tuesday, July 23, we will gather in the undercroft to fold, stuff, address, stamp and seal letters for the residents and businesses on First Street and affected side streets. Your assistance would be greatly appreciated. Talk to Jim Brown at the coffee hour or email info@beniciapeddlersfair.org.

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: <u>timmarkley5@yahoo.com</u>. More information will also be provided.

-Tim Markley, St. Paul's Archivist

TGIFF (Thank Goodness it's Fourth Friday)



Friday July 26th, from 5:30-7:30 in the undercroft. Bring an appetizer to share and your favorite beverage (alcoholic or non-alcoholic). Barry & Sally Cunningham are hosting this month.

Community Meal



Volunteer Online Signups

If you would like to volunteer to help at the Community Meal on Mondays or Wednesdays, see the link below for the 2024 sign-up sheet. Please note that we need only one volunteer each day.

See weekly announcements (online) for sign-up sheet or contact: admin@stpaulsbenicia.org

Coffee with Jeff



Have questions? Just want to chat? Join our Senior Warden, Jeff Jarvis for a drop-in coffee hour on Thursday mornings from 7:30-8:30 at States Coffee!



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! R
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.



Sierra Service Project

Are you an early riser? Join us on 7/28 at 6:30 AM to bless & say farewell to our SSP volunteers and thank them for their dedication and hard work! Rev. Cn. Mary will be there for the blessing.

Are you unaware of Sierra Service Project? Well, prepare to be impressed- SSP builds strong connections and resilience among communities, by equipping volunteers in home repair skills and other community-based projects. Their mission statement: "Build faith & strengthen communities through service to others."

Please, join us in thanking our volunteers! They are truly making an enormous impact to those in need. For additional information, please visit:

www.sierraserviceproject.org.

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=YzFxOU43dDJ0TThnM0VCZkY0REMxUT09 Meeting ID: 890 6264 3237 Passcode: 355908 One tap mobile +16699009128,,89062643237#,,,,*355908# US

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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 THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL

Lee Anne Bundesen

WE GIVE THANKS FOR BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

7/22 Dr. Michael Klemm 7/23 Mittie Railsback 7/24 Judy Furlong 7/25 Art & Sandy Schipper

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 7/21 - PROPER 11						
10 am +Communion 11 am Godly Play (U) 11 am Coffee Hour (P) 8 pm AA (P)						
MON 7/22	TUES 7/23	WED 7/24				
9 am +Morning Prayer 4:30 pm Meal (P) 7 pm +GVRD Jazz Band 8 pm AA (P)	7 am AA Meeting (P) 9 am +Morning Prayer 5:30 pm Kiwanis Meeting (P)	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 7/25	FRI 7/26	SAT 7/27				
7am AA Meeting (P) 9 am +Morning Prayer 7 pm +Music Practice	7am AA Meeting (P) 9 am +Morning Prayer 5:30 pm TGIFF (Thank Goodness it's Fourth Friday) (U) 7 pm NA Meeting (P)	7 am AA Meeting (U)				
SUN 7/28 - PROPER 12 - RELAY FOR LIFE SUNDAY						
KEY + = Church P = Parish Hall U = Undercroft R = Rectory	6:30 am SSP Farewell & Blessing 10 am +Communion 11 am Godly Play (U) 11 am Coffee Hour (P) 8 pm AA (P)					

SERVING THIS WEEK - July 21, 2024 10:00 AM					
Celebrant	Canon Mary Goshert				
Preacher	Canon Mary Goshert				
Deacon	Rev. Beth Gaines				
Music	Dr. Matthew Welch				
Lector	Robin Silver				
Intercessor	Jim Brown				
LEM	Jim Brown, Kim Rodekohr				
Vestry Host	Jill Morris				
Ushers	Mark & Jeanne Brown				
Altar Guild	Robin Silver, Liz Stallings				
Flower Guild	Ann Lindsay				
Office Angels	Ann Lindsay				
Verger	Jorge Pena				

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



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.			