

St. Paul's Episcopal ChurchBenicia, CA

10:00 AM Worship for Sunday, August 11, 2024

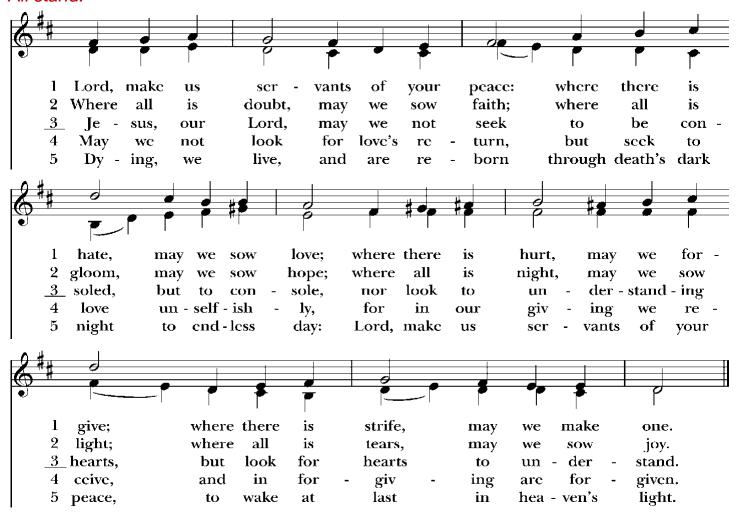
Eucharistic Prayer A

The Holy Eucharist Rite II

Proper 14

ENTRANCE HYMN: (H 593) Lord, Make Us Servants of Your Peace

All stand.



OPENING ACCLAMATION

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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

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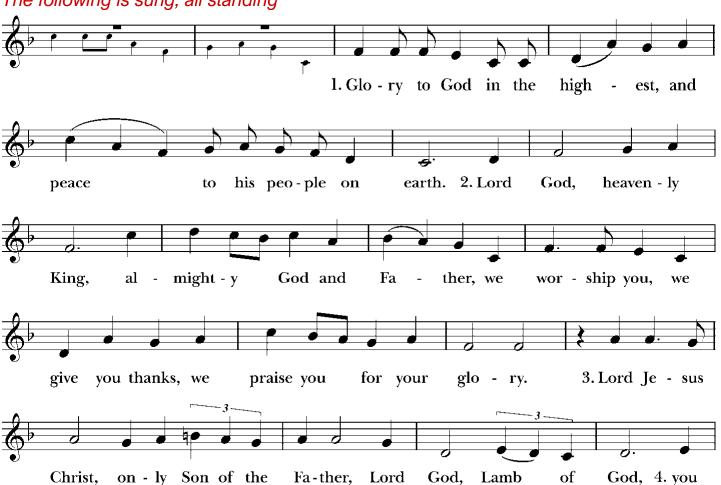
Let us pray in unison

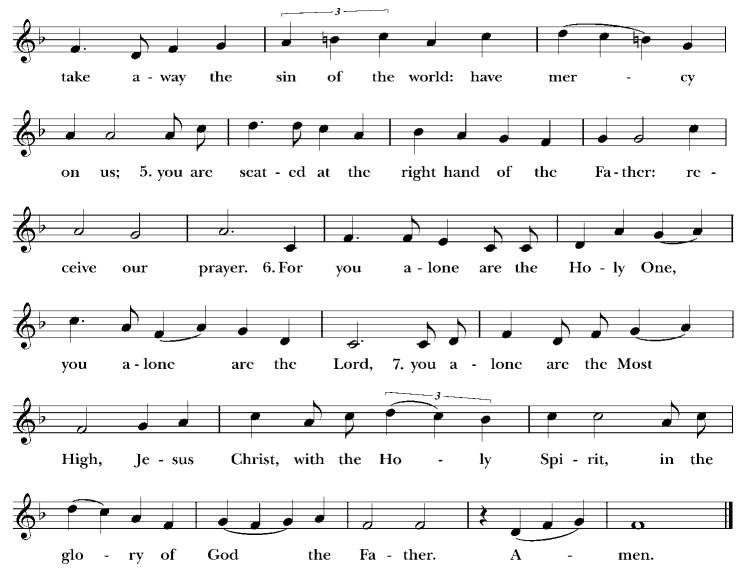
Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

GLORIA: (S 280) Glory To God

Canticle 20







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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.

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 LESSONS

FIRST READING:

1 Kings 19:4-8

The people sit

⁴[Elijah] went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow.

PSALM: Psalm 34:1-8

Remain seated.

¹I will bless the LORD at all times; *

his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

²I will glory in the LORD; *

let the humble hear and rejoice.

³Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD; *

let us exalt his Name together.

⁴I sought the LORD, and he answered me *

and delivered me out of all my terror.

⁵Look upon him and be radiant, *

and let not your faces be ashamed.

⁶I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me *

and saved me from all my troubles.

⁷The angel of the LORD encompasses those who fear him, * and he will deliver them.

⁸Taste and see that the LORD is good; *

happy are they who trust in him!

SECOND READING:

Ephesians 4:25--5:2

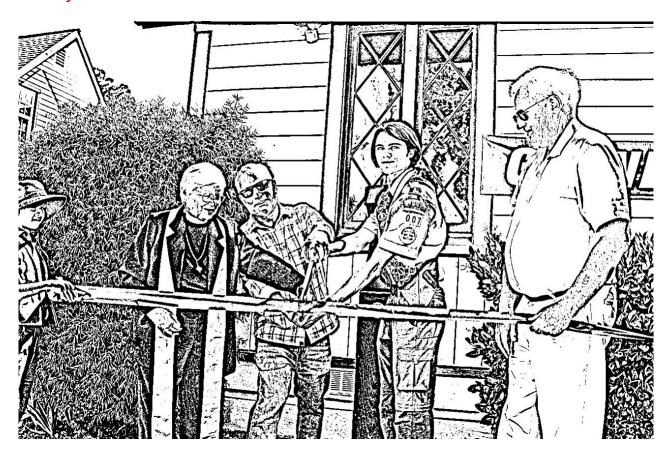
The people sit.

²⁵So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. ²⁶Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷and do not make room for the devil. ²⁸Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. ²⁹Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. ³¹Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, ³²and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. ^{5:1}Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, ²and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow.



GOSPEL HYMN: (H 576) Here in Christ We Gather, Love of Christ Our Calling

The following is sung, all standing



GOSPEL: John 6:35, 41-51

All stand.

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

³⁵Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. ⁴¹Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." ⁴²They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" ⁴³Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. ⁴⁴No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. ⁴⁵It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. ⁴⁶Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

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

THE SERMON:

The Rev. Dr. Arthur Holder

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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

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The 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 BCP p. 360

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.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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OFFERTORY HYMN: (H 602) Kneels At the Feet of His Friends

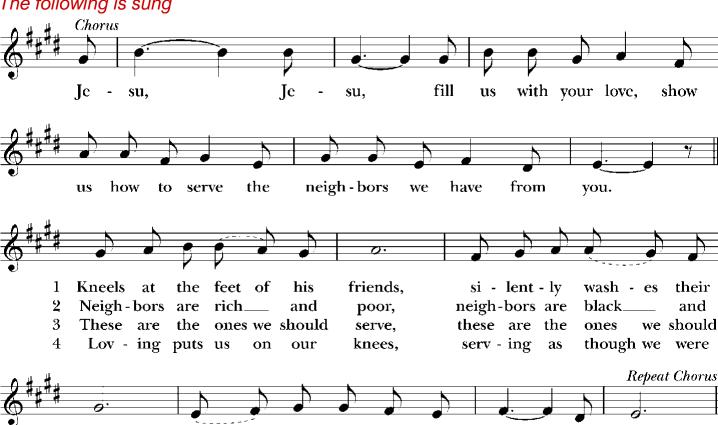


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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING:

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

SURSUM CORDA:

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

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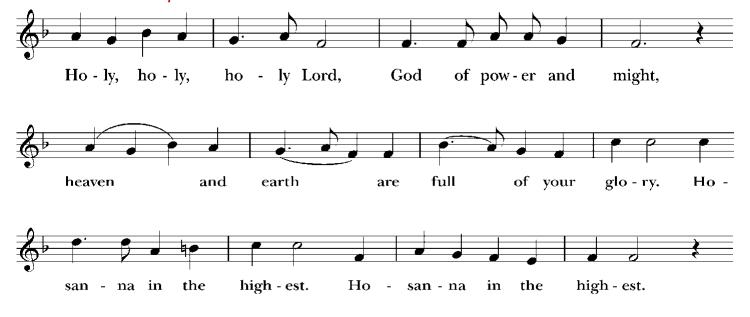
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth...

...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:



SANCTUS: (S 125) Holy, Holy, Holy

Celebrant and People







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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,

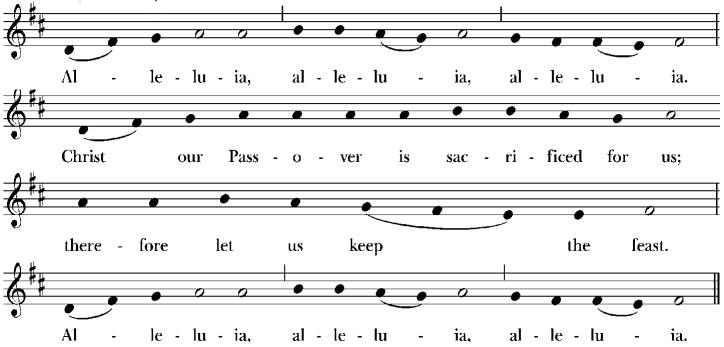
People and Celebrant

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.

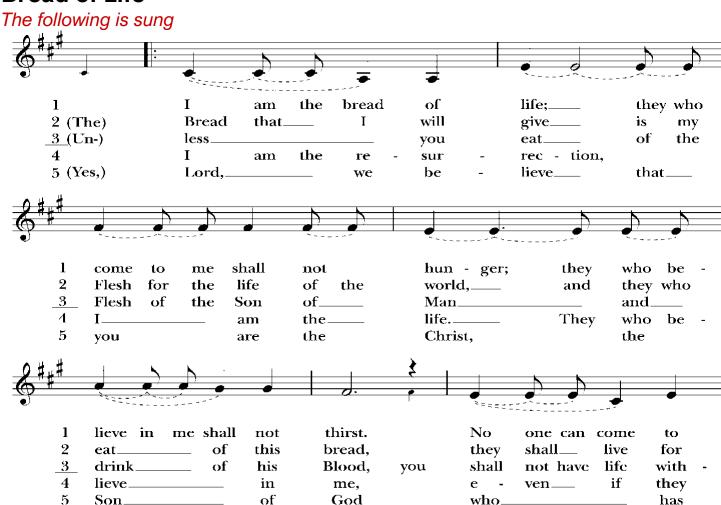
COMMUNION

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: (H 335) I Am the Bread of Life (I Am the Bread of Life





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.

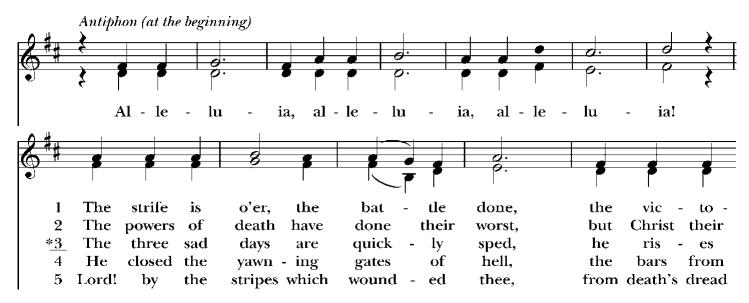
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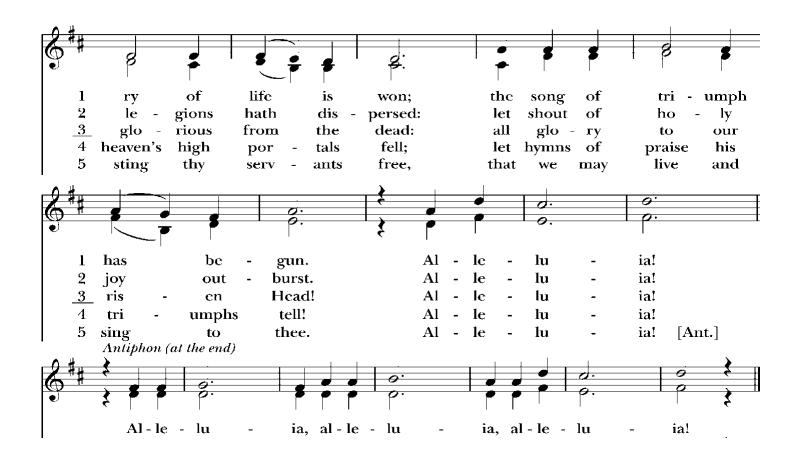
The Celebrant blesses the people, saying

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: (H 208) The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done

The following is sung





DISMISSAL

The Celebrant will dismiss the people

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

People: Thanks be to God.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bake Sale: August 18th



BAKE SALE

August 18, 2024

DONATIONS GLADLY ACCEPTED!

Where: St. Paul's Parish Hall When: After the 10:00 Service

Hosted by: Deacon's Helpers & Children's Ministries

To support: Ready Meals for our unhoused neighbors to be given

out at Dignity Day on September 14.



Volunteers Needed For Godly Play

We need a few more Godly Play volunteers to give no more than 1 day per month teaching our little ones with the super easy Godly Play format.

- a. You will receive training and direction from our **Family Warden** Jill Morris.
- b. Many hands make light work.
- c. Providing this service WILL help our parish grow!

Did You Know?



A non-partisan informational series for the Episcopal Church about voting by the Public Policy Advocacy Group at Trinity Cathedral

What does the Episcopal Church Say about Voting?

As Episcopalians, we know that our Christian faith is something that affects our social and communal lives as well as our private lives. More than ten resolutions passed by our General Convention in recent years stress the importance of voting rights, opposing voter suppression and ensuring that all citizens have the right to vote.

The Office of Government Relations has launched a very helpful Episcopal Church program to promote and facilitate local non-partisan voter engagement efforts. This informational series is based on that program. We hope not only to encourage YOU to vote, but to inspire you to share this information and bring others to the polls.

"Cast your vote, not on a partisan basis, not based on your biases, but vote your values. Vote the values of human dignity and equality. Vote the values of the rock on which this country was built. Vote."

— Presiding Bishop Michael Curry

For more information: See online announcements at: www.stpaulsbenicia.org

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



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.

Air Conditioning Unit Scheduled For Repair: 8/26



UPDATE: Thanks to the **St. Paul's Historic Trust**, the A/C will be repaired in the chapel & undercroft! This will begin the week of 8/26.

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

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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

NOTICE OF FILMING AND PHOTOGRAPHY

When you enter a St. Paul's Episcopal Church service or event, you enter an area where photography, audio, live streaming, and video recording may occur.

PRAYERS

WE PRAY FOR GOD'S HEALING

Mary Frances Kelly-Poh Ellen Whitehead

WE GIVE THANKS FOR BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

8/12 Jamie Morris, Linda Tremain, Debbie Varson, & David Sells 8/11 Mark & Jeanne Brown 8/16 Rev.'s Andrew & Annie Mertz

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



SUN 8/11 - PROPER 14 - PEDDLERS FAIR SUNDAY

6:30 am AA Meeting (U) 10 am +Communion 11 am Coffee Hour (P) 5 pm +Wedding 8 pm AA (P)

MON 8/12	TUES 8/13	WED 8/14	
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	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	
THURS 8/15	FRI 8/16	SAT 8/17	
7am AA Meeting (P) 9 am +Morning Prayer 7 pm +Choir Rehearsal	7 am AA Meeting (P) 10 am Sustainable Foods (K) 9 am +Morning Prayer 7 pm NA Meeting (P)	7 am AA Meeting (U) 7 am Men's Meeting (R)	

SUN 8/18 - PROPER 15

KEY

+ = Church

P = Parish Hall

U = Undercroft

R = Rectory

K = Kitchen

6:30 am AA Meeting (U) 10 am +Communion 11 am Coffee Hour (P) 4 pm Meditation (P) 8 pm AA (P)

SERVING THIS WEEK - August 11, 2024 10:00 AM				
Celebrant	Rev. Canon Mary Goshert			
Preacher	Rev. Dr. Arthur Holder			
Music	Bill Markley			
Lector	Kim Rodekohr			
Intercessor	Kim Rodekohr			
LEM	Kim Rodekohr, Jim Brown			
Vestry Host	Jeff Jarvis			
Ushers	Jeff Jarvis & Steve Rodekohr			
Altar Guild	Jeanne Brown, Kim Rodekohr			
Flower Guild	Ann Lindsay			
Office Angels	Jeanne Brown, Dale Kilbourne			
Verger	Bob Hall			

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			



ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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.		