

St. Paul's Episcopal ChurchBenicia, CA

10:00 AM Worship for Sunday, August 4, 2024

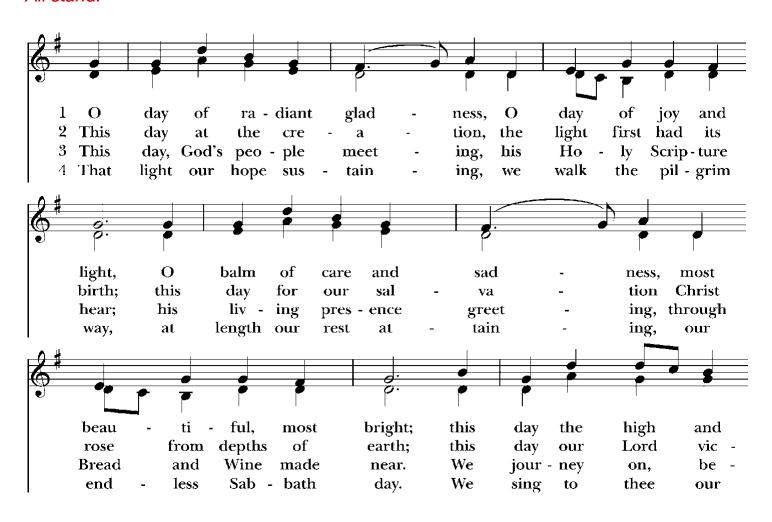
Eucharistic Prayer A

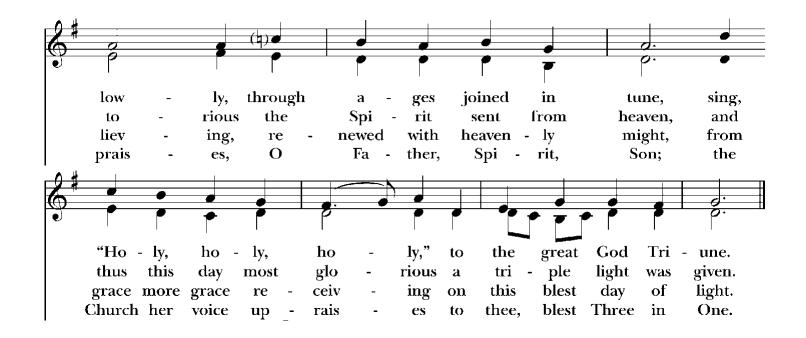
The Holy Eucharist Rite II

Proper 13

ENTRANCE HYMN: (H 48) O Day of Radiant Gladness

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.

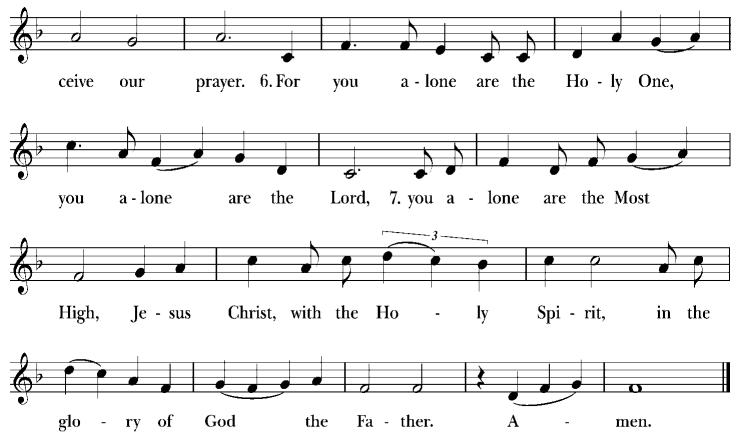
GLORIA: (S 280) Glory To God

Canticle 20

The following is sung, all standing



on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re -



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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.

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; 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:

2 Samuel 11:26--12:13a

The people sit

²⁶When the wife of Uriah heard that her husband was dead, she made lamentation for him. ²⁷When the mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife, and bore him a son.

But the thing that David had done displeased the LORD, ^{12:1} and the LORD sent Nathan to David. He came to him, and said to him, "There were two men in a certain city, the one rich and the other poor. ²The rich man had very many flocks and herds; ³but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. He brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children; it used to eat of his meager fare, and drink from his cup, and lie in his bosom, and it was like a daughter to him. ⁴Now there came a traveler to the rich man, and he was loath to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb, and prepared that for the guest who had come to him." ⁵Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man. He said to Nathan, "As the LORD lives, the man who has done this deserves to die; ⁶he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity."

⁷Nathan said to David, "You are the man! Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel: I anointed you king over Israel, and I rescued you from the hand of Saul; ⁸I gave you your master's house, and your master's wives into your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would have added as much more. ⁹Why have you despised the word of the LORD, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. ¹⁰Now therefore the sword shall never depart from your house, for you have despised me, and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife. ¹¹Thus says the LORD: I will raise up trouble against you from within your own house; and I will take your wives before your eyes, and give them to your neighbor, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this very sun. ¹²For you did it secretly; but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun." ^{13a}David said to Nathan, "I have sinned against the LORD."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow.

PSALM: Psalm 51:1-13

Remain seated.

¹Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; * in your great compassion blot out my offenses.

²Wash me through and through from my wickedness * and cleanse me from my sin.

³For I know my transgressions, * and my sin is ever before me.

⁴Against you only have I sinned * and done what is evil in your sight.

⁵And so you are justified when you speak * and upright in your judgment.

⁶Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, * a sinner from my mother's womb.

⁷For behold, you look for truth deep within me, * and will make me understand wisdom secretly.

⁸Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; * wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.

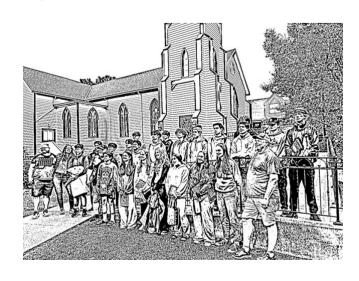
⁹Make me hear of joy and gladness, * that the body you have broken may rejoice.

¹⁰Hide your face from my sins, * and blot out all my iniquities.

¹¹Create in me a clean heart, O God, * and renew a right spirit within me.

¹²Cast me not away from your presence * and take not your holy Spirit from me.

¹³Give me the joy of your saving help again * and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.



SECOND READING:

Ephesians 4:1-16

The people sit.

¹I, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, ⁵one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

⁷But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. ⁸Therefore it is said,

"When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive;

he gave gifts to his people."

⁹(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? ¹⁰He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) ¹¹The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, ¹²to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, ¹³until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. ¹⁴We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. ¹⁵But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, ¹⁶from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow.



GOSPEL HYMN: (H 302) Father, We Thank Thee Who Hast

The following is sung, all standing



GOSPEL: John 6:24-35

All stand.

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

²⁴[On the next day, when the people who remained after the feeding of the five thousand] saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

²⁵When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" ²⁶Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." ²⁸Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" ²⁹Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." ³⁰So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? ³¹Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" ³²Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." ³⁴They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

³⁵Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

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

THE SERMON: The Rev. Cn. Mary Goshert

SSP YOUTH REPORT: Sierra Service Project volunteers

THE CREED BCP p. 358

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.

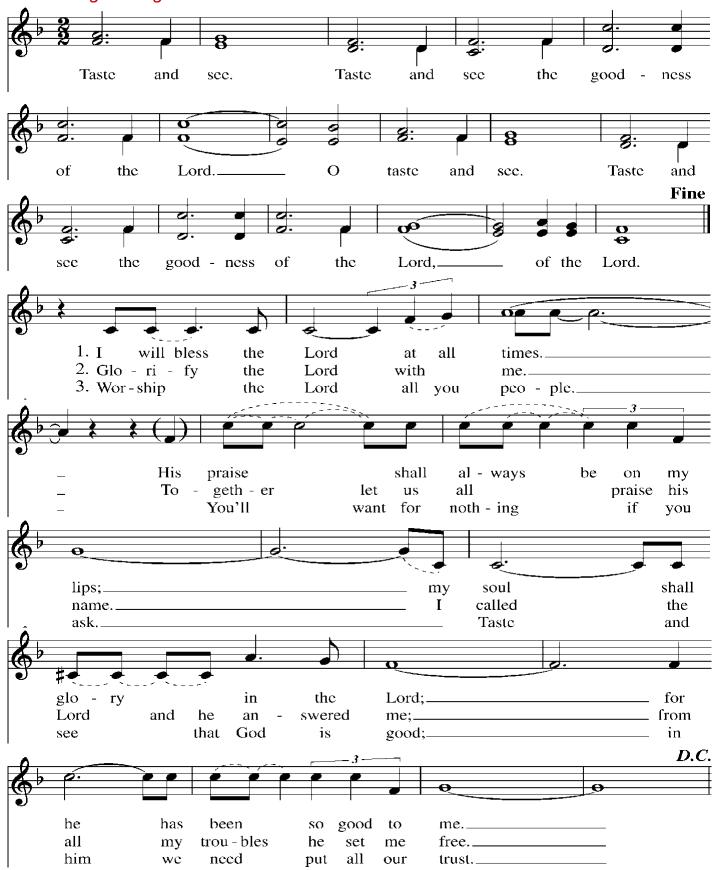
THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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OFFERTORY HYMN: (WLP 764) Taste and See

The following is sung



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:

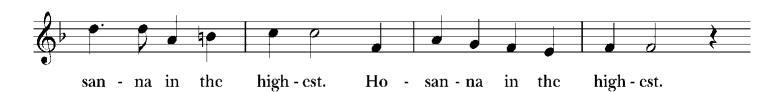


SANCTUS: (S 125) Holy, Holy, Holy

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,

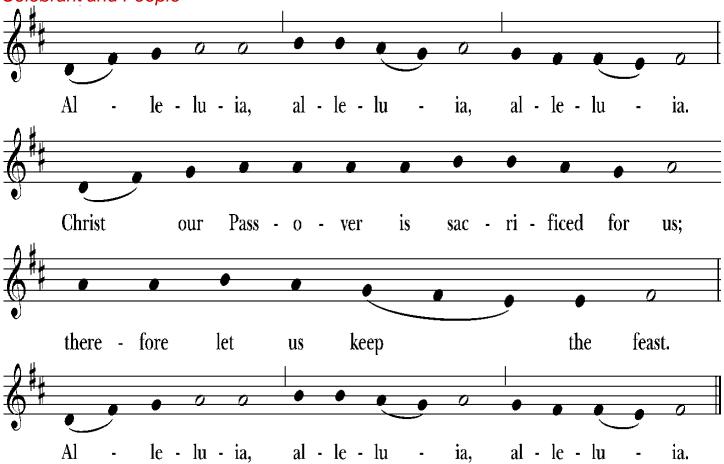
People and Celebrant

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 339) Deck Thyself, My Soul, With Gladness



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 BCP p. 366

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 690) Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah



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

Peddler's Fair: Saturday, August 10th



Founded in 1963 as a small church rummage sale. The Benicia Peddlers Fair now occupies 8 blocks of First Street from J to B. Hosting an astounding 275 vendors in 325 booths- Featuring: Antiques, crafts, jewelry, plants, food. This amazing event brings an estimated 25,000 visitors to Benicia! Sponsored annually by St. Paul's Historic Trust-Proceeds go towards maintenance of St. Paul's historic 150 year old carpenter gothic building with a tithe going to local charitable causes. We'll see you there!

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

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

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

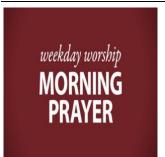


UPDATE: Thanks to the **St. Paul's Historic Trust**, the A/C will be repaired in the chapel & undercroft! This will begin the week of 8/26.

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 GIVE THANKS FOR BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

8/6 Jeff Jarvis 8/8 Jim Wolf

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 8/4 - PROPER 13 - SSP SUNDAY

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

MON 8/5	TUES 8/6	WED 8/7	
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	
THURS 8/8	FRI 8/9	SAT 8/10	
7am AA Meeting (P) 9 am +Morning Prayer 5 pm +Wedding Rehearsal 7 pm +Choir Rehearsal	7am AA Meeting (P) 9 am +Morning Prayer 7 pm NA Meeting (P)	Benicia Peddlers Fair	

SUN 8/11 - PROPER 14 - PEDDLERS FAIR SUNDAY

KEY

+ = Church

P = Parish Hall

U = Undercroft R = Rectory 10 am +Communion 11 am Godly Play (U) 11 am Coffee Hour (P) 5 pm +Wedding 8 pm AA (P)

SERVING THIS WEEK - August 4, 2024 10:00 AM				
Celebrant	Canon Mary Goshert			
Preacher	Canon Mary Goshert			
Music	Bill Markley			
Lector	Marjorie Lowry			
Intercessor	Kim Rodekohr			
LEM	Dale & Charlie Kilbourne			
Vestry Host	Gerri MacGregor			
Ushers	Dawson Urban, Cathy Cellini			
Altar Guild	Eileen Fisk, Donna Patey			
Flower Guild	Blanche Hilman, Joe Brien			
Office Angels	Blaine Deal , Jennifer Deal			
Verger	Gene Ekenstam			

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.		