



**ST. PAUL'S**  
Est 1855  
**EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
Worship, Love, Live the Message

# St. Paul's Episcopal Church

## Benicia, CA

### 10:00 AM Worship for Sunday, October 13, 2024

Eucharistic Prayer B

Proper 23

The Holy Eucharist Rite II

The 21<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

### ENTRANCE HYMN: (H 460) Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

*All stand.*



1 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the  
 \*2 Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans are we  
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! bread of Hea - ven, Thou on  
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, thee the  
 \*5 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the



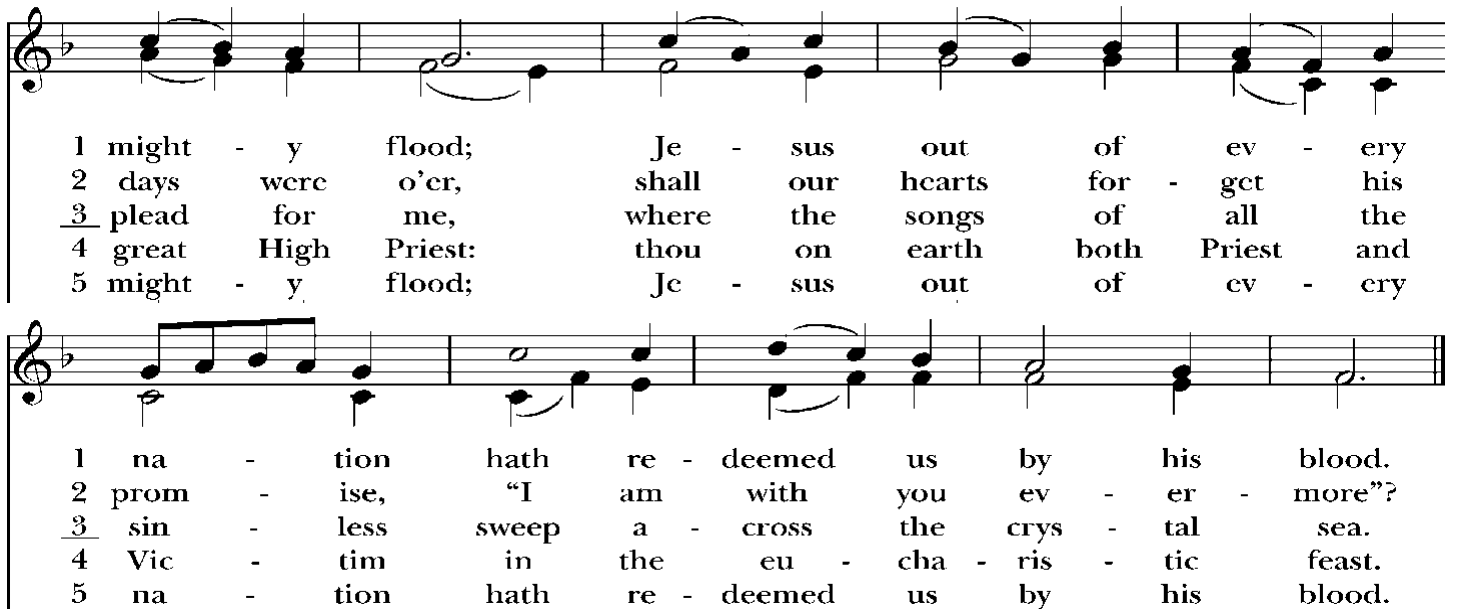
1 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the  
 2 left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is  
 3 earth our food, our stay! Al - le - lu - ia! here the  
 4 Lord of lords we own: Al - le - lu - ia! born of  
 5 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the



1 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the  
 2 near us, faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how: though the  
 3 sin - ful flee to thee from day to day: In - ter -  
 4 Ma - ry, earth thy foot - stool, heaven thy throne: thou with -  
 5 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the



1 songs of peace - ful Zi - on thun - der like a  
 2 cloud from sight re - ceived him, when the for - ty  
 3 ces - sor, friend of sin - ners, earth's Re - deem - er,  
 4 in the veil hast en - tered, robed in flesh, our  
 5 songs of ho - ly Zi - on thun - der like a



1 might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery  
 2 days were o'er, shall our hearts for - get his  
 3 plead for me, where the songs of all the  
 4 great High Priest: thou on earth both Priest and  
 5 might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery

1 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.  
 2 prom - ise, "I am with you ev - er - more"?  
 3 sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.  
 4 Vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.  
 5 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP p. 355

*The people standing, the Celebrant says*

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

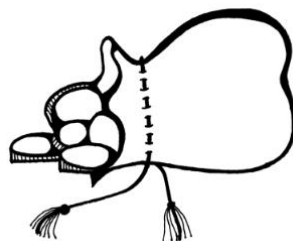
People: **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen**

## COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP p. 355

*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.**



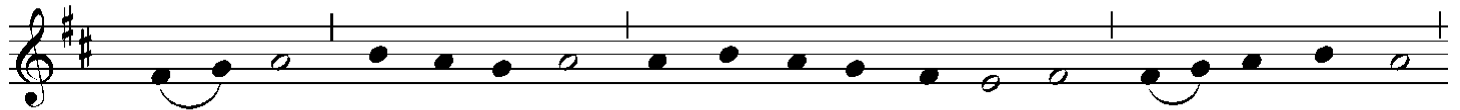
# GLORIA: (S 277) Glory To God

# 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, hea - ven - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you,



we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 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.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP p. 357

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through 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:

**Job 23:1-9, 16-17**

*The people sit.*

<sup>1</sup>Job [said:]

<sup>2</sup>“Today also my complaint is bitter;  
[God’s] hand is heavy despite my groaning.

<sup>3</sup>Oh, that I knew where I might find him,  
that I might come even to his dwelling!

<sup>4</sup>I would lay my case before him,  
and fill my mouth with arguments.

<sup>5</sup>I would learn what he would answer me,  
and understand what he would say to me.

<sup>6</sup>Would he contend with me in the greatness of his power?  
No; but he would give heed to me.

<sup>7</sup>There an upright person could reason with him,  
and I should be acquitted forever by my judge.

<sup>8</sup>“If I go forward, he is not there;  
or backward, I cannot perceive him;

<sup>9</sup>on the left he hides, and I cannot behold him;  
I turn to the right, but I cannot see him.

<sup>16</sup>God has made my heart faint;  
the Almighty has terrified me;

<sup>17</sup>If only I could vanish in darkness,  
and thick darkness would cover my face!”

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*Silence may follow.*

# PSALM:

*Remain seated.*

# Psalm 22:1-15

- <sup>1</sup>My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? \*  
**and are so far from my cry  
and from the words of my distress?**
- <sup>2</sup>O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not answer; \*  
**by night as well, but I find no rest.**
- <sup>3</sup>Yet you are the Holy One, \*  
**enthroned upon the praises of Israel.**
- <sup>4</sup>Our forefathers put their trust in you; \*  
**they trusted, and you delivered them.**
- <sup>5</sup>They cried out to you and were delivered; \*  
**they trusted in you and were not put to shame.**
- <sup>6</sup>But as for me, I am a worm and no man, \*  
**scorned by all and despised by the people.**
- <sup>7</sup>All who see me laugh me to scorn; \*  
**they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying,**
- <sup>8</sup>“He trusted in the LORD; let him deliver him; \*  
**let him rescue him, if he delights in him.”**
- <sup>9</sup>Yet you are he who took me out of the womb, \*  
**and kept me safe upon my mother’s breast.**
- <sup>10</sup>I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born; \*  
**you were my God when I was still in my mother’s womb.**
- <sup>11</sup>Be not far from me, for trouble is near, \*  
**and there is none to help.**
- <sup>12</sup>Many young bulls encircle me; \*  
**strong bulls of Bashan surround me.**
- <sup>13</sup>They open wide their jaws at me, \*  
**like a ravening and a roaring lion.**
- <sup>14</sup>I am poured out like water;  
all my bones are out of joint; \*  
**my heart within my breast is melting wax.**
- <sup>15</sup>My mouth is dried out like a pot-sherd;  
my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; \*  
**and you have laid me in the dust of the grave.**

## SECOND READING:

Hebrews 4:12-16

*The people sit.*

<sup>12</sup>Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. <sup>13</sup>And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

<sup>14</sup>Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. <sup>15</sup>For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. <sup>16</sup>Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

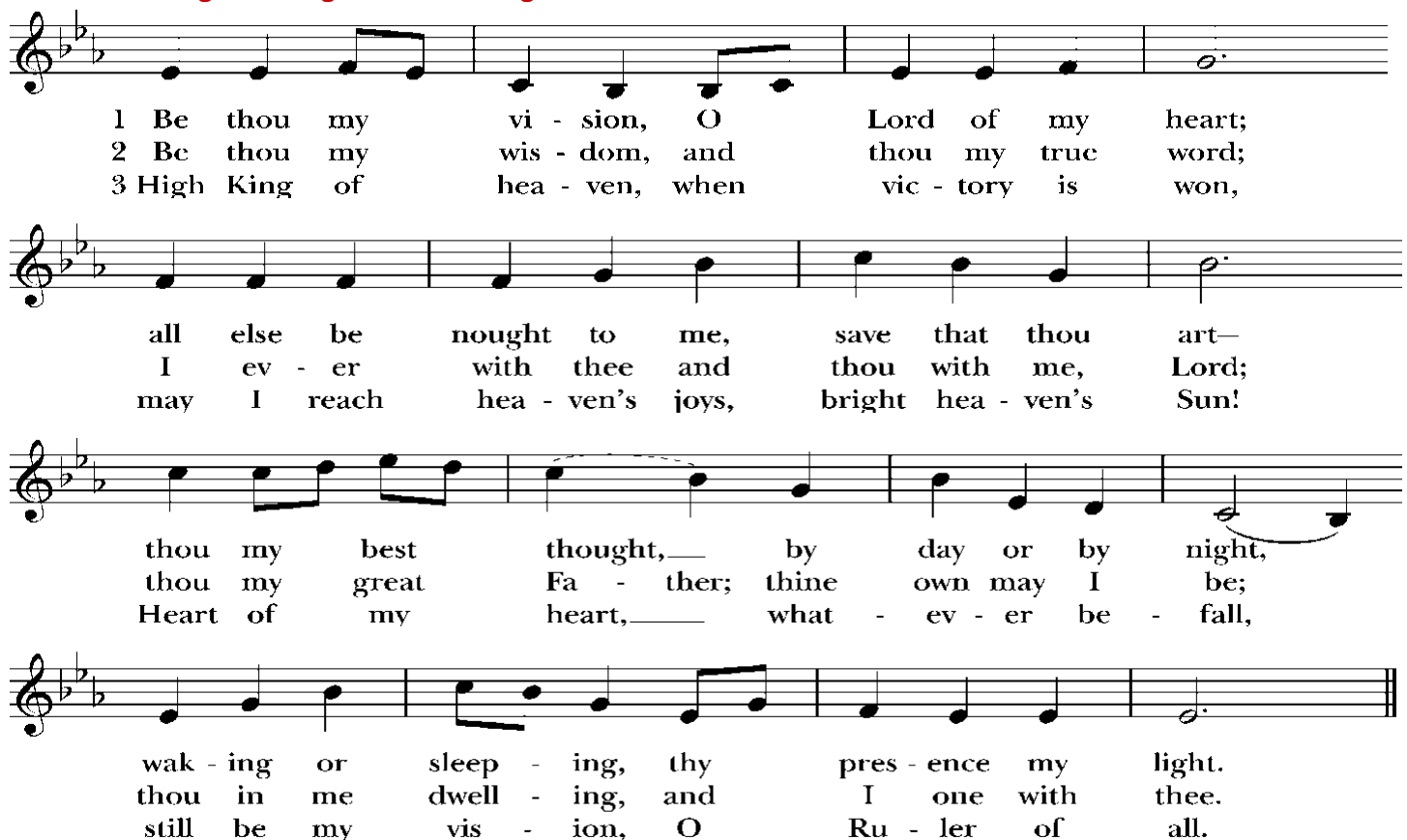
Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Silence may follow.*

## GOSPEL HYMN: (H 488) Be Thou My Vision, O Lord of My Heart

*The following is sung, all standing*



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;  
3 High King of hea - ven, when vic - tory is won,  
all else be nought to me, save that thou art—  
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
may I reach hea - ven's joys, bright hea - ven's Sun!  
thou my best thought, — by day or by night,  
thou my great Fa - ther; thine own may I be;  
Heart of my heart, — what - ev - er be - fall,  
wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
thou in me dwell - ing, and I one with thee.  
still be my vis - ion, O Ru - ler of all.

## GOSPEL:

Mark 10:17-31

*All stand*

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

<sup>17</sup>As [Jesus] was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” <sup>18</sup>Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. <sup>19</sup>You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” <sup>20</sup>He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” <sup>21</sup>Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” <sup>22</sup>When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

<sup>23</sup>Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” <sup>24</sup>And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup>It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” <sup>26</sup>They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” <sup>27</sup>Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

<sup>28</sup>Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.”

<sup>29</sup>Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, <sup>30</sup>who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. <sup>31</sup>But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## THE SERMON:

The Rev. Annie Mertz

## 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.**

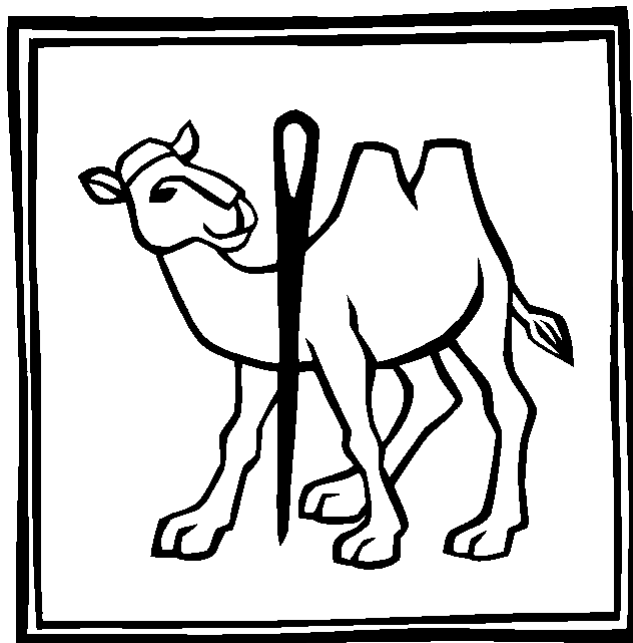
**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power 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.*

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, “**Lord, have mercy.**”





## CONFESSION OF SIN

BCP p. 360

*The Deacon or Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Celebrant 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.

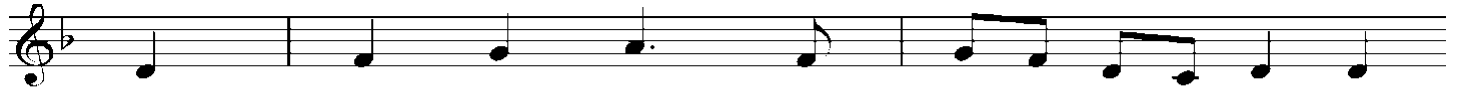
## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### OFFERTORY SENTENCE

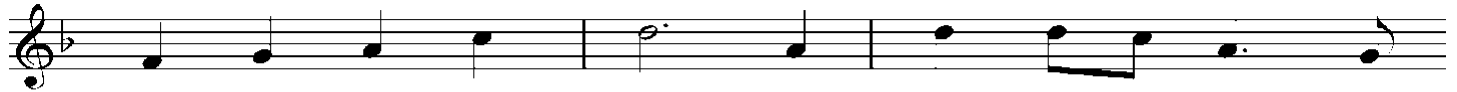
BCP p. 376

# OFFERTORY HYMN: (H 674) Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive

*The following is sung*



1 "For - give our sins as we for - give" you  
2 How can your par - don reach and bless the  
3 In blaz - ing light your cross re - veals the  
4 Lord, cleanse the depths with - in our souls, and



taught us, Lord, to pray; but you a - lone can  
un - for - giv - ing heart that broods on wrongs and  
truth we dim - ly knew, how small the debts men  
bid re - sent - ment cease; then, re - con - ciled to



grant us grace to live the words we say.  
will not let old bit - ter - ness de - part?  
owe to us, how great our debt to you.  
God and man, our lives will spread your peace.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING:

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER B

### 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

**BCP p. 367**

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 124) Holy, Holy, Holy

*Celebrant and People*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and



earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## BCP p. 368

*The Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation...

... Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

**We remember his death,**

**We proclaim his resurrection,**

**We await his coming in glory;**

## BCP p. 369

*The Celebrant continues*

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

... 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

BCP p. 363

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

*Celebrant and People*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

there - fore let us keep the feast.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## 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: (WLP #803) These Three Are the Treasures

*The following is sung*



1. These three are the treasures to strive for and prize: be
2. If mer-cy's a-ban-doned by those who'd be brave, e-
3. Be gen-tle and you can af-ford to be bold, be
4. Through gen-tle-ness those who at-tack win the fight, and



gen-tle, live sim-ply and have the hum-il-it-y to shy from the  
con-o-my squan-dered by those who'd be gen-er-ous, hu-mil-i-ty  
fru-gal and so have e-nough to be lib-er-al, be hum-ble and  
those who de-fend have their safe-ty in gen-tle-ness; this gen-tle-ness



strugg-le to put one-self first, these are the pearls.  
slight-ed by those who would lead, this is sure death.  
thus be a lead-er of all, this is the way.  
rests in the chil-dren of God, this is their sign.

# OFFERTORY HYMN: (A3 #129) Only A Shadow

*The following is sung*

**Verse 1** The love we have for you, O Lord,  
is only a shadow of your love for us;  
only a shadow of your love for us,  
your deep abiding love.

**Verse 2** Our own belief in you, O Lord, is  
only a shadow of your faith in us,  
only a shadow of your faith in us,  
your deep and lasting faith. (Refrain)

**Refrain** Our lives are in your hands,  
our lives are in your hands.  
Our love for you will grow, O Lord;  
your light in us will shine.

**Verse 3** The dream we have today, O Lord,  
is only a shadow of your dreams for us,  
only a shadow of your dreams for us;  
if we but follow you.

**Verse 4** The joy we feel today, O Lord,  
is only a shadow of your joys for us,  
only a shadow of your joys for us;  
when we meet face to face. (Refrain)

**Verse 5** The bread we take and eat, O Lord, is  
your body broken and shared with us;  
your body broken and shared with us,  
the gift of your great love. (Refrain)



## 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

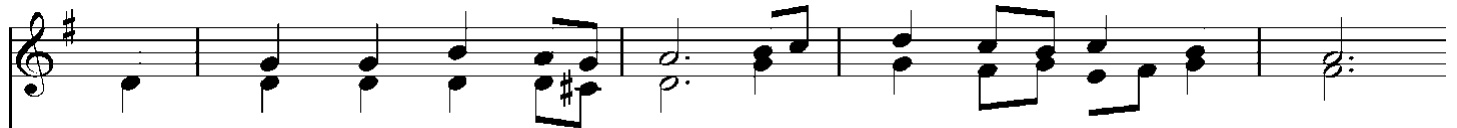
BCP p. 366

*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 411) O Bless the Lord, My Soul

*The following is sung*



1 O bless the Lord, my soul! His grace to thee pro - claim!  
2 O bless the Lord, my soul! His mer - cies bear in mind!  
3 He will not al - ways chide; he will with pa - tience wait;  
4 He par - dons all thy sins, pro - longs thy fee - ble breath;  
5 He clothes thee with his love, up - holds thee with his truth;



1 And all that is with - in me join to bless his ho - ly Name!  
2 For - get not all his ben - e - fits! The Lord to thee is kind.  
3 his wrath is ev - er slow to rise and rea - dy to a - bate.  
4 he heal - eth thine in - fir - mi - ties and ran - soms thee from death.  
5 and like the ea - gle he re - news the vi - gor of thy youth.

## 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

## Sugar Skull Making! 10/13 & 10/20



All ages welcome!

Come hear about the history and traditions of Dia de los Muertos after service on **October 13th** in the Godly Playroom around 11:00am. After reading to the kids, Barbara Jewell will be teaching us how to mold sugar skulls in the undercroft. The skulls will need a week to dry then on Sunday **October 20th** during coffee hour all are invited to "paint" the sugar skulls with brightly colored frosting in the design of your choice and either take them home or place them on the ofrenda at the church on display for Dia de los Muertos!"

## Food From the Bar: St. Paul's Community Meal Fundraiser

Food Insecurity in Solano County is real. We battle it with our Community Meal on Mondays and Wednesdays—now serving an average of 550 meals a week. We are supported by The Food Bank of Contra Costa & Solano counties & they need our help! Every year **Food from the Bar**, a committee of the Contra Costa County Bar Association holds a fundraising drive for the Food Bank. This year, the drive runs through **October 14**. An anonymous donor has pledged up to **\$25,000** as a matching grant for all donations received during the drive. Donate today at:



<https://give.foodbankccs.org/team/609717?campaignId=284991>

(Link available in online announcements) Contact **Barbara Jewell** for more info- email: [bjewell@gagenmccooy.com](mailto:bjewell@gagenmccooy.com) or phone: 510-368-5072.

Barbara will be in attendance on Sunday to help troubleshoot any issues.

**This matching grant opportunity is too good an opportunity to ignore!**





## St. Paul's Open House on Saturday, Oct. 26th 10 am - 12 pm

Let's welcome our community and share the beauty of our building and our worship! The First Street Halloween Costume Contest & Sidewalk Stroll is a great opportunity to open our doors and connect with the folks of Benicia. And it just so happens that the church will be decorated for Day of the Dead/All Saint's. The event is free, and all are welcome. Invite your friends!

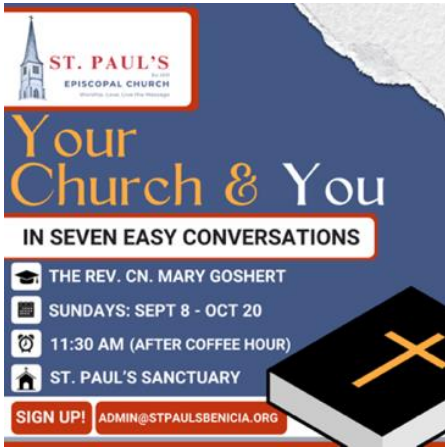
### Day of the Dead Framed Photos:



For over 25 years we have celebrated Dia de Los Muertos at St. Paul's. As in Mexico, we use this celebration as a time to remember the family, friends, and others who have made a difference in our lives and are no longer with us. As part of our celebration, we are inviting you to bring framed photo(s) of your departed loved one(s) to display on the Reredos behind the altar.

Please bring your framed photos to the Parish Office by Friday October 25<sup>th</sup>. We also invite you to bring framed photos of your treasured pets that have passed away to honor and memorialize them in our Pet Ofrenda. Framed photos need to be in the church office by next Sunday October 20<sup>th</sup>. We would love to add your photos to our display, it's such a wonderful way to remember our loving animal friends.

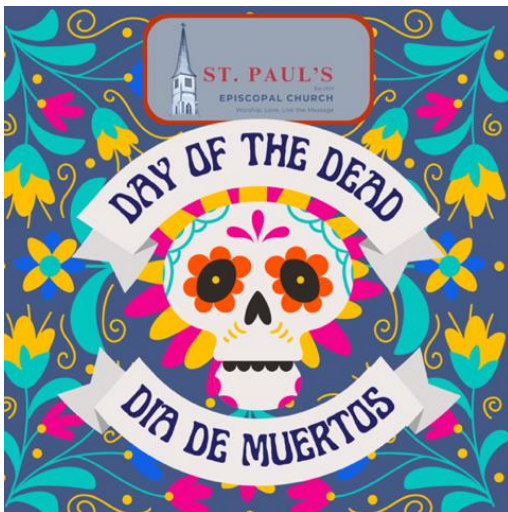
Please make sure your name is on the framed photo(s) so it can be returned to your family. If you have any questions, please contact: Lisa Pena at [lisapena37@gmail.com](mailto:lisapena37@gmail.com) - Richard Padfield at [richardp94510@gmail.com](mailto:richardp94510@gmail.com) or the Parish Office at [admin@stpaulsbenicia.org](mailto:admin@stpaulsbenicia.org).



## Your Church & You (In Seven Easy Conversations)

Starting on Sunday, September 8 and continuing for six sessions, following coffee hour, we will offer an interactive romp through the basics of being a Christian in the Episcopal tradition. At the conclusion of the series, you will be prepared to be blessed by our Bishop in Baptism, Confirmation, Reception, Reaffirmation, and more, as you desire.

Hosted by our very own The Rev. Cn. Mary Goshert on Sundays between 9/8 – 10/20 at 11:30 am in the sanctuary, following Coffee Hour. To sign up, e-mail: [admin@stpaulsbenicia.org](mailto:admin@stpaulsbenicia.org).



## Dia de Los Muertos Celebration: Sunday, October 27, 2024.

This will be a time to remember those we have lost, and those who have passed before us in our own families, and those who made a difference in our lives. As well as the patriots who birthed the United States and the people who fought to make the aspirations of our Declaration of Independence a reality for everyone. As we anticipate the Bishop's arrival, we will be focusing on those people who shaped the Episcopal church and supported our baptismal covenant—that we are bound to support the dignity of

every human being. We will be installing an outside Ofrenda and on the 27th will display our altar cloth naming those we have loved and lost. Other displays are planned as well. Pan de Muerto will be served at coffee hour. If you would like names added to the alter cloth, or would like to help install the Ofrenda or with coffee hour on the 27th, please contact our parish office prior to October 20<sup>th</sup>. [admin@stpaulsbenicia.org](mailto:admin@stpaulsbenicia.org)



## Summer Service Hours Extend Through October

Please mark your calendars, we will continue to have one service at 10 AM through the month of October.

Two services will resume on **November 3<sup>rd</sup>**. We hope to see you there, either in-person or streaming live!

## Happy 170th Anniversary!



This month marks the 170th anniversary of the first service of the St. Paul's parish. To commemorate this, there is a new exhibit on display in the south transept. Included are: a short biography of General Edward Townsend (first Lay Reader for the parish), a copy of the Vestry minutes detailing the first service, pictures from past anniversaries, and a commemorative plate made for the Centennial celebration by Homer Laughlin.

*weekday worship*  
**MORNING  
PRAYER**

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

Join Zoom meeting (Link in Weekly Announcements online)

Meeting ID: 890 6264 3237

Passcode: 355908

One tap mobile +16699009128,,89062643237#,,,,\*355908# US (San Jose)

Dial by your location +1 669 900 9128 US (San Jose)

Meeting ID: 890 6264 3237

Passcode: 355908

#### **The deadline for submitting announcements is Wednesday at noon.**

Please e-mail information to: [admin@stpaulsbenicia.org](mailto: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**

Julia Padfield  
Mark Park  
Judith Mooney  
Mary Brien & Her Husband Stevie  
Cynthia Roberson

**WE GIVE THANKS FOR BIRTHDAYS &  
ANNIVERSARIES**

10/14 Katie McGovern  
10/15 Martha Saldana-Wolf  
10/16 James Jouvenot Sells  
10/16 Jorge Pena  
10/17 Debbie Fulton

**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  
Major Xacasia Evans-Walp, U.S. Army

E-mail: [admin@stpaulsbenicia.org](mailto:admin@stpaulsbenicia.org) for updates or additions



## SUNDAY 10/13: Proper 23

6:30 am AA Meeting (U)  
 10 am +Communion  
 11 am Godly Play (U) &  
 Sugar Skull Molding Afterwards (U)  
 11 am Coffee Hour (P)  
 11:30 am +Your Church & You  
 4 pm Meditation (P)  
 8 pm AA (P)

MONDAY- 10/14	TUESDAY- 10/15	WEDNESDAY- 10/16
9 am +Morning Prayer 4:30 pm Meal (P) 7 pm +GVRD Jazz Band 8 pm AA Meeting (P)	7 am AA Meeting (P) 9 am +Morning Prayer 7 pm +GGSOC Practice 7 pm Vestry Meeting (U)	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
THURSDAY- 10/17	FRIDAY- 10/18	SATURDAY- 10/19
7am AA Meeting (P) 7:30 am Coffee with Rev. Annie 9 am +Morning Prayer	7 am AA Meeting (P) 9 am +Morning Prayer 7 pm NA Meeting (P)	7 am AA Meeting (U) 7 am Men's Meeting (R)

## SUNDAY 10/20: Proper 24

**KEY**

- + = Church
- P = Parish Hall
- U = Undercroft
- R = Rectory
- K = Kitchen

6:30 am AA Meeting (U)  
 10 am +Communion  
 11 am Godly Play (U)  
 11 am Coffee Hour &  
 "Paint" the Sugar Skulls (P)  
 11:30 am +Your Church & You  
 8 pm AA (P)

<b>SERVING THIS WEEK - October 13, 2024 10:00 AM</b>	
Celebrant	Rev. Annie Mertz
Preacher	Rev. Annie Mertz
Deacon	Rev. Beth Gaines
Music	Dr. Matthew Welch
Lector	Chris Ayles
Intercessor	Steve Rodekohr
LEM	Steve Rodekohr
Ushers	Robin Silver & Marjorie Lowry
Altar Guild	Jeanne Brown & Sandy Schipper
Flower Guild	Liz Stallings
Office Angels	Jeanne Brown & Debbie Varson
Verger	Bob Hall

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



# 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**

<b>Community</b>	<b>Inclusion</b>	<b>The Message of Jesus Christ</b>	<b>Spiritual Growth</b>
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.