



**WORSHIP BULLETIN:**  
**APRIL 20, 2025**  
**Holy Eucharist Rite II**  
**8:45 AM**  
**Prayer A**  
***Sunday of Resurrection: Easter Day***

**ENTRANCE HYMN:**

*The following is sung.*  
*Please refer to your hymnal*

**(H 207) Jesus Christ is Risen Today**

**OPENING ACCLAMATION: BCP p. 355**

*The people standing, the Celebrant says*

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

**GLORIA:**

*The following is sung.*  
*Please refer to your hymnal*

**(H 280) Glory to God**

**COLLECT OF THE DAY:**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Amen**

**FIRST READING:**

**Acts 10:34-43**

*The people sit.*

<sup>34</sup>Peter began to speak to [Cornelius and the other Gentiles]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup>but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup>You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. <sup>37</sup>That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: <sup>38</sup>how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. <sup>39</sup>We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; <sup>40</sup>but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, <sup>41</sup>not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup>He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup>All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*Silence may follow.*

**PSALM:****Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24***Remain seated.*

<sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; \*  
**his mercy endures for ever.**

<sup>2</sup>Let Israel now proclaim, \*  
**"His mercy endures for ever."**

<sup>14</sup>The Lord is my strength and my song, \*  
**and he has become my salvation.**

<sup>15</sup>There is a sound of exultation and victory \*  
 \*

**in the tents of the righteous:**

<sup>16</sup>"The right hand of the Lord has triumphed! \*

**the right hand of the Lord is exalted!  
 the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!"**

<sup>17</sup>I shall not die, but live, \*  
**and declare the works of the Lord.**

<sup>18</sup>The Lord has punished me sorely, \*  
**but he did not hand me over to death.**

<sup>19</sup>Open for me the gates of righteousness; \*  
**I will enter them;**

**I will offer thanks to the Lord.**

<sup>20</sup>"This is the gate of the Lord; \*  
**he who is righteous may enter."**

<sup>21</sup>I will give thanks to you, for you answered me \*

**and have become my salvation.**

<sup>22</sup>The same stone which the builders rejected \*

**has become the chief cornerstone.**

<sup>23</sup>This is the Lord's doing, \*  
**and it is marvelous in our eyes.**

<sup>24</sup>On this day the Lord has acted; \*  
**we will rejoice and be glad in it.**

**SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:19-26***Remain seated*

<sup>19</sup>If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

<sup>20</sup>But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. <sup>21</sup>For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; <sup>22</sup>for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. <sup>23</sup>But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. <sup>24</sup>Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. <sup>25</sup>For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. <sup>26</sup>The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*Silence may follow.***GOSPEL HYMN:***The following is sung.**Please refer to your hymnal***(H 210) The Day of Resurrection**



## GOSPEL:

John 20:1-18

*All stand*

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

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

<sup>1</sup>Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. <sup>2</sup>So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." <sup>3</sup>Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. <sup>4</sup>The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. <sup>5</sup>He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. <sup>6</sup>Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, <sup>7</sup>and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. <sup>8</sup>Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; <sup>9</sup>for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. <sup>10</sup>Then the disciples returned to their homes.

<sup>11</sup>But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; <sup>12</sup>and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. <sup>13</sup>They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." <sup>14</sup>When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>15</sup>Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I

will take him away." <sup>16</sup>Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). <sup>17</sup>Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"

<sup>18</sup>Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**THE SERMON: The Rev. Annie Mertz**

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*All remain standing*



## 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 PEACE:

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*All stand.*

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

**People:** And also with you.

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Wed. Eucharist & Bible Study cancelled (4/23)
- TGIF: Friday 4/25
- Community Meal Sharpening Fundraiser-Sat. 4/26

## BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES & 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:

*The following is sung.*

(H 182) Christ is Alive, Let Christians Sing

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

## SURSUM CORDA:

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*The People remain standing.*

The musical notation consists of four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff is for the Celebrant, and the second is for the People. The third and fourth staves are for the People and Celebrant respectively.

**Celebrant**                      **People**

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

**Celebrant**                      **People**

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

**People**

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

**Celebrant**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



**PROPER PREFACE:****BCP p. 361***Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

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:***Celebrant and people**Please refer to your hymnal*

**(S 129) Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of  
Power and Might**

**BCP p. 368***The People stand or kneel.**The Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the  
goodness and love which you have made  
known to us in creation; in the calling of  
Israel to be your people; in your Word  
spoken through the prophets; and above all  
in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son...

...After supper he took the cup of wine; and  
when he had given thanks, he gave it to  
them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is  
my Blood of the new Covenant, which is  
shed for you and for many for the  
forgiveness of sins. 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:***The following is sung.**Please refer to your hymnal*

**(S 164) Jesus, Lamb of God**

## INVITATION

*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 Gifts of God for the People of God.

## COMMUNION HYMN:

*The following is sung.  
Please refer to your hymnal.*

**(H 178) Alleluia! Give Thanks to the Risen Lord**

## 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 Priest blesses the people, saying*

The Wisdom of God  
the Love of God  
and the Grace of God  
strengthen you  
to be Christ's hands and heart in this world,  
in the name of the Holy Trinity. **Amen.**

## RECESSIONAL HYMN:

*The following is sung.  
Please refer to your hymnal*

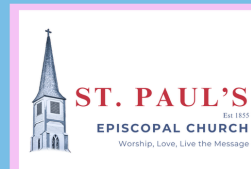
**(H 208) Alleluia! The Strife is O'er**

## DISMISSAL

*The Deacon or Celebrant will dismiss the people*

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

**People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**



# EASTER SUNDAY



8:45 AM - Holy Eucharist w/ communion  
- Traditional music  
10:00 AM - Sunday school  
11:00 AM - Holy Eucharist w/ communion  
- Contemporary music - Baptism - Resurrection Egg Hunt



## **ST. PAUL'S 2025 EASTER LILY** **DEDICATIONS:**



**Leo & Catherine Herrod-** *In thanksgiving for the love of my family & friends.*

**Michelle Ellett-** *The flower dedication is in memory of my family, George, Elaine, Richard & Tyrone Bistransin.*

**Jim Peterson-** *In memory of Wendy Peterson.*

**Judith Mooney-** *In memory of Win and Bill Palmer & Ann and Ike Weathers.*

**Joy Moverley-** *In memory of Wayne Cody, Bill & Mary Marsh, John Moverley.*

**Kathy Gojack-** *In memory of my mother and father, Katie & Robert Keefe.*

**Carole & Phil Johnson-** *In memory of Robert Deakin.*

**Gilbert Zabala-** *In memory of mother Anita, sister Tina & son Gilbert Jr. Brothers Eddie & Ricky.*

**Barry & Sally Cunningham-** *In thanksgiving for Cameron De Palma's music ministry.*

**Robin Silver-** *In memory of my friends Max, Robin, Sandy, Sue & Tim.*

**Mark & Jeanne Brown-** *In thanksgiving for our family, friends and community.*

**Nancy Bauschinger-** *In memory of Helen Garber Brown, my mother who died on Good Friday of 1991.*



# WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Scan or click for our weekly announcements online!



- \* Weds. Eucharist & Bible Study Canceled 4/23
- \* TGIFF Friday 4/25
- \* Community Meal Sharpening Fundraiser Saturday 4/26

The deadline for submitting announcements is Wednesday at noon.  
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## WE PRAY FOR GOD'S HEALING

Rev. Cn. Mary Goshert  
Virginia & Gary Cady  
Mark Park  
Judith Mooney  
John M.  
Tom Aldinger  
Manuel Pena  
Deb Mulholand

## WE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL

## WE PRAY 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  
Airman  
Andrew Severa, U.S.  
Air Force  
SA Michelle Severa,  
PA, Air National Guard  
Staff SGT Jake  
Sackett, U.S. Air Force  
Major Xacasia Evans-  
Walp, U.S. Army

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

4/23 Jim Peterson  
4/25 Debbie Borst  
4/26 Lisa Pena  
4/26 Christine Stevens

## SERVING THIS WEEK:

Celebrant	The Rev. Annie Mertz
Preacher	The Rev. Annie Mertz
Deacon	The Rev. Beth Gaines

	8:45 AM	11:00 AM
Music	Bill Markley	Cameron De Palma
Lector	TBD	Kim Rodekohr
Intercessor	MaryFrances Kelly-Poh	Kim Rodekohr
LEM	Jim Brown & MaryFrances Kelly-Poh	Kim Rodekohr & Marjorie Lowry
Healing Prayers		
Ushers	Dale & Charlie Kilbourne	Carole Johnson & Steve Rodekohr
Altar Guild	Steve Rodekohr, Cathy Cellini & Brandon Bailey	
Flower Guild	Our wonderful Flower Guild volunteers	
Office Angels	Sue Flor & Carole Johnson	
Verger	Fred Railsback	

## PARISH LEADERSHIP

### CLERGY:

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

### STAFF:

Cameron De Palma, Contemporary Music Director  
Eric Foster, Communications Director  
Lisa Lannoy, Parish Administrator  
Tim Markley, Archivist

### VESTRY:

Lisa Pena, Senior Warden  
Ed Curtis, Junior Warden  
Jill Morris, Ann Lindsay, Donna Marshall, Gerri MacGregor, Jim Peterson, Robert Vallejos, Kathryn Gojack

### 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:

We support our neighbors through service & compassion. We are a safe space & a supportive community where members are cared for by one another.

### INCLUSION:

We are an inclusive community where people of all identities, backgrounds & histories are welcome to find & continue their spiritual journey.

### THE MESSAGE OF JESUS CHRIST:

We believe in striving to live the message of Jesus Christ every day. At St. Paul's, we walk the way of love together.

### SPIRITUAL GROWTH:

At any point in a person's spiritual journey, there are opportunities to learn, grow & strengthen one's faith at St. Paul's.

### NOTICE OF FILMING AND PHOTOGRAPHY

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# CALENDAR

## Easter Sunday

6:30 am AA Meeting (U)  
 8:45 am +Communion  
 10 am Coffee Hour (P)  
 10 am Godly Play (Elementary School) (U)  
 10 am Youth Bible Study (Middle & High School) (U)  
 11 am +Communion & Baptism  
 Resurrection Egg Hunt to follow  
 12 pm Coffee Hour (P)  
 8 pm AA (P)



### MONDAY: 4/21

7 am AA Meeting (P)  
 9 am +Morning Prayer  
 4:30 pm Community Meal (P)  
 8 pm AA Meeting (P)

### TUESDAY: 4/22

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

### WEDNESDAY: 4/23

7am AA Meeting (P)  
 9 am +Morning Prayer  
 10 am +Communion -  
 Cancelled  
 11 am Bible Study (P) -  
 Cancelled  
 4:30 pm Community Meal (P)  
 7 pm BAFC Meeting (U)

### THURSDAY: 4/24

7am AA Meeting (P)  
 7:30 am Coffee w/  
 Rev. Annie  
 9 am +Morning Prayer

### FRIDAY: 4/25

7 am AA Meeting (P)  
 9 am +Morning Prayer  
 5:30 pm TGIFF (U)  
 7 pm NA Meeting (P)

### SATURDAY: 4/26

7 am AA Meeting (U)  
 8 am Community Meal Knife  
 Sharpening Fundraiser

## The Second Sunday of Easter

6:30 am AA Meeting (U)  
 8:45 am +Communion  
 10 am Coffee Hour (P)  
 10 am Godly Play (Elementary School) (U)  
 10 am Youth Bible Study (Middle & High School) (U)  
 11 am +Communion  
 12 pm Coffee Hour (P)  
 4 pm Meditation  
 8 pm AA (P)



### KEY

**+** = CHURCH  
**P** = PARISH HALL  
**U** = UNDERCROFT  
**R** = RECTORY  
**K** = KITCHEN