St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Canton, Ohio

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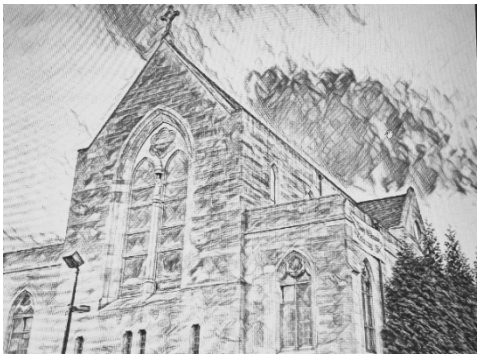
22th Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Eucharist Rite 2

Nov. 9, 2025, 10:30 a.m.

Welcome to St. Paul's

Online and in-person services begin with music at 10:25 a.m.



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Our mission

St. Paul's is an exceptionally welcoming Episcopal community in downtown Canton, grounded in faith, and called by God's Love to minister to the world.

22th Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Eucharist
Celebrants: The Revs. Joe and Kay Ashby

Readings and Psalm

- **Job 19:23-27a**
- **Psalm 17:1-9**
- **2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17**
- **Luke 20:27-38**

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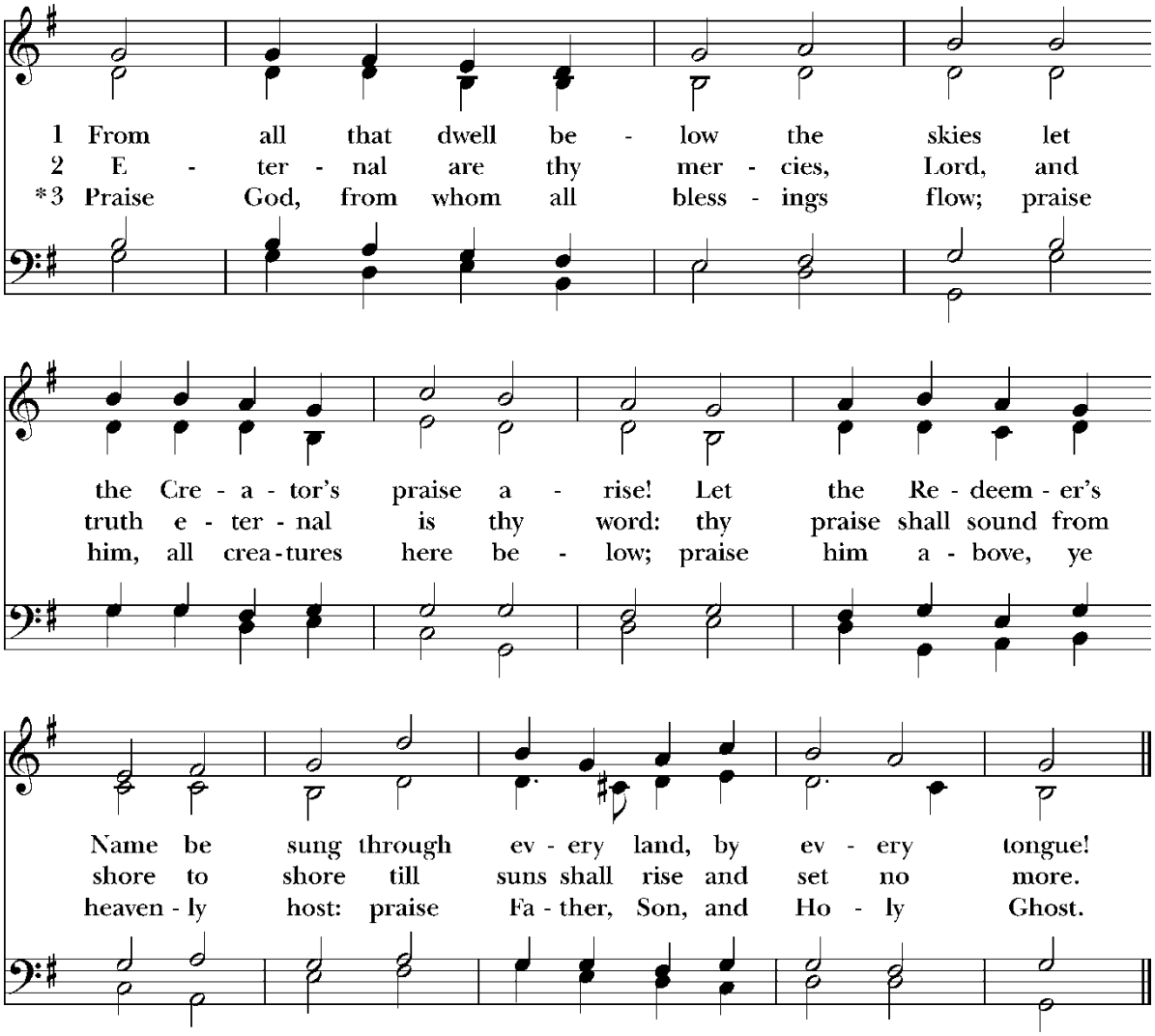
Prelude: *Hymn prelude on Old 100th,* Adrian Vernon Fish

The Word of God

Please stand if able

Entrance Hymn: *From all that dwell below the skies (Old 100th)* (H380)



Please remain standing if able

Opening Acclamation

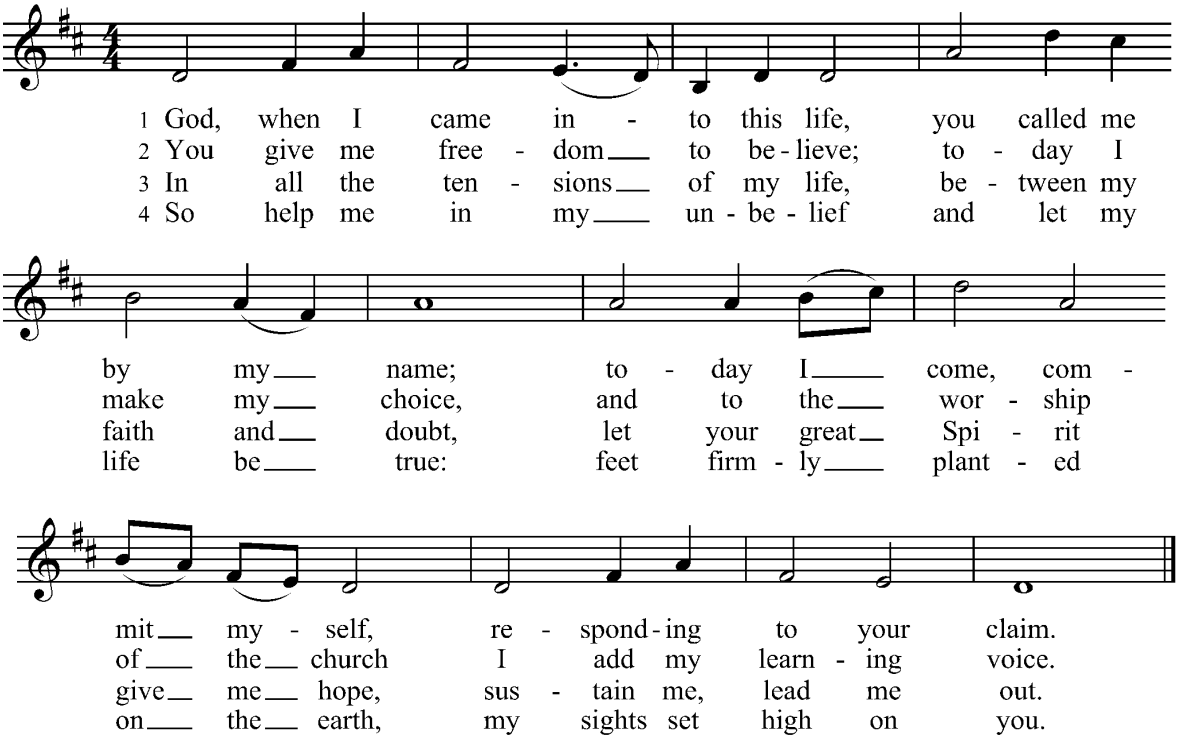
Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

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.*

SONG OF PRAISE: *God, when I came into this life (*Dunlap's Creek*)* (MHSO 123)



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The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

The Lessons

Please sit.

FIRST READING: Job 19:23-27a

A Reading from the Book of Job

[23]O that my words were written down!
O that they were inscribed in a book!

[24]O that with an iron pen and with lead
they were engraved on a rock forever!
[25]For I know that my Redeemer lives,
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth;
[26]and after my skin has been thus destroyed,
then in my flesh I shall see God,
[27a]whom I shall see on my side,
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.

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

PSALM 17:1-9

[1]Hear my plea of innocence, O Lord;
give heed to my cry; *
listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.
[2]Let my vindication come forth from your presence; *
let your eyes be fixed on justice.
[3]Weigh my heart, summon me by night, *
melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.
[4]I give no offense with my mouth as others do; *
I have heeded the words of your lips.
[5]My footsteps hold fast to the ways of your law; *
in your paths my feet shall not stumble.
[6]I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me; *
incline your ear to me and hear my words.
[7]Show me your marvelous loving-kindness, *
O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand
from those who rise up against them.
[8]Keep me as the apple of your eye; *
hide me under the shadow of your wings,
[9]From the wicked who assault me, *
from my deadly enemies who surround me.

READING: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

A Reading from Paul's Second letter to the Church in Thessalonika.

[1]As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, [2]not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. [3]Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. [4]He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. [5]Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

[13]But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. [14]For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. [15]So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

[16]Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, [17]comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

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

Please stand if able

Sequence Hymn: *Nothing distress you* (Many Mansions) (VF146)

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GOSPEL: Luke 20:27-38

Officiant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

[27]Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to [Jesus] [28]and asked him a question, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. [29]Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; [30]then the second [31]and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. [32]Finally the woman also died. [33]In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her."

[34]Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; [35]but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead

neither marry nor are given in marriage. [36]Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. [37]And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. [38]Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive."

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

The Message: Samantha Papadeonise

The Creed

Please stand if able

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

Please remain standing

Celebrant: Let us cry out to God for peace and a time of healing.

Leader
For this Veteran's Day, Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

For Sean, our Presiding Bishop, for Anne, our bishop, for the Revs. Joe and Kay, for this holy gathering, and for the people of God in every place.
Hear our prayer.

For all those holding elective office, for mercy, justice, and peace among all peoples.
Hear our prayer.

For good weather, abundant fruits of the earth, and peaceful times.
Hear our prayer.

For our city, Canton, and those who live in it, and for our families, companions, and all those we love.
Hear our prayer.

For orphans and widows, the sick and the suffering, especially David Rotthoff, Cara Warren, Valerie Frear, Peggy Neidig, Molly Weisel, Deb Husted, Andrea, Marilyn Dickinson, Ed Denning, Doug Geissinger, Joanne, Jackson, Gary, Richard Green, Steve Hamilton, Marcia, Deborah Starkey, John Titmas, Holly Hillen, Bob Reiner, Frances Beacon, Tammy Huff, Vicki Simpkins, and others we name silently or aloud; for travelers and strangers, and all with heavy burdens.
Hear our prayer.

For those who rest in Christ and for all the dead, we pray.
Hear our prayer.

For our deliverance from all affliction, strife, and need.
Hear our prayer.

Lifting our voices with all creation, with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.
Hear our prayer.
Let us pray for our own needs and for those of others, silently or aloud.
Silence

Please say the St. Paul's Discernment Prayer together:
O Lord our God,

May we, the parish of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, embrace your commandment of loving our neighbors as you have loved us while we discern who we are and how best to serve you.
We ask that you quiet our souls, so we may listen to you.
We ask that you grant us wisdom as we seek new leadership.
And lastly, we ask for the courage to follow wherever you lead us.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Celebrant: God of sinners, hear the prayers we offer this day, rescue us from every evil, and save us for your heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Confession of Sin

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

The Peace

All stand.
Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.
The People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Church Announcements

Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence (Psalm 50:14)
The Celebrant says
Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: *Not Unto Us, O Lord* (Thomas Attwood Walmisley)

The Great Thanksgiving

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 him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.
For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:
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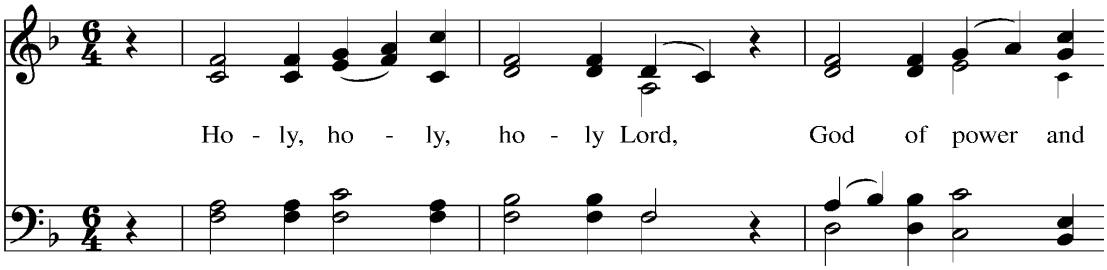
SANCTUS: *"Holy, Holy, Holy"* (WLP 858)



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. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.” ♪

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;

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.
We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Paul and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.
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.***

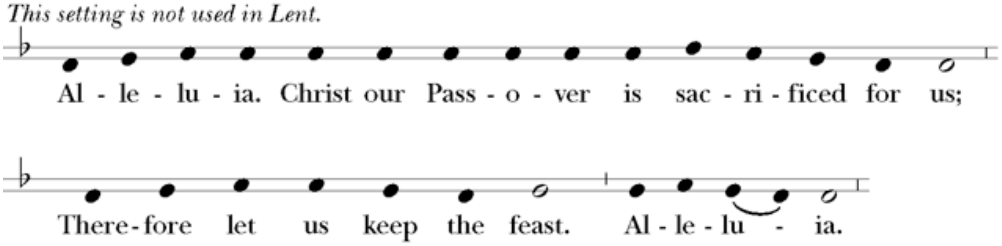
The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
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: *Christ our Passover* (H #S152)

This setting is not used in Lent.



This setting may be sung full by all, or by the choir, or as a versicle and response.

Spiritual Communion

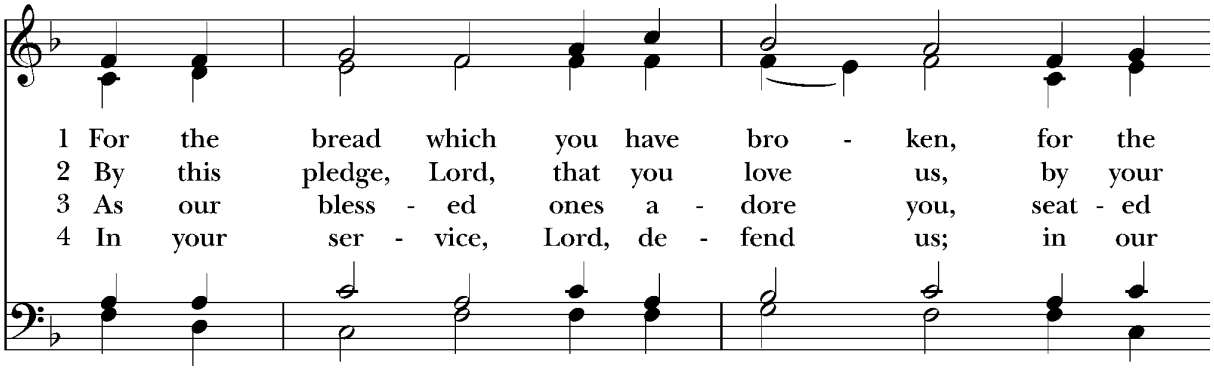
Celebrant: Please join us in praying with our siblings in Christ who are with us online and receiving communion spiritually.

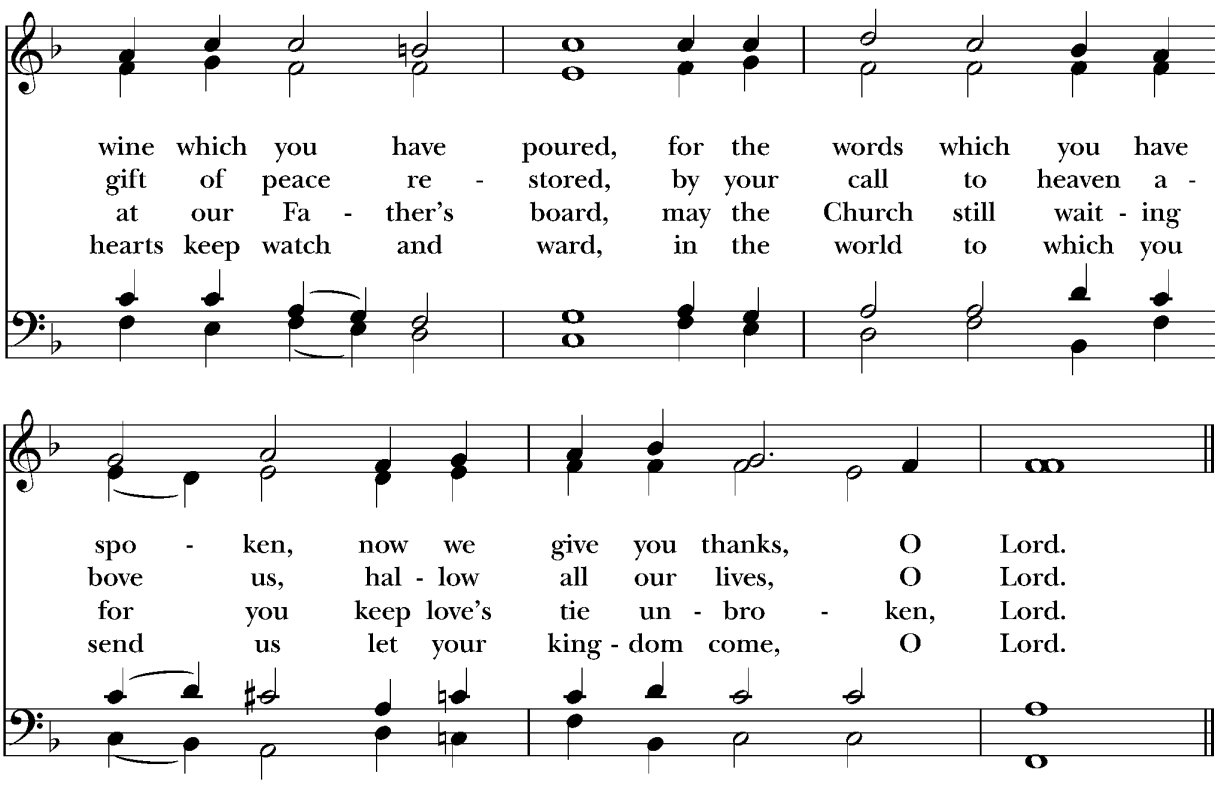
Dearest Lord Jesus, we believe that you are truly present in the Sacrament of the Eucharist. We love you above all things and long for you in our souls. Since we are not altogether in our church today to receive the bread and wine made holy, we ask you to come spiritually into our hearts. Fill us with your light and nourish us all with your word and Spirit. Amen.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please tell the clergy if you need gluten-free bread. If you come to the communion station for a blessing instead, please cross your arms on your chest. If you are interested in being baptized, please contact the Priest of the parish.

COMMUNION HYMN: *For the bread you have broken* (Omni dei) (H341)





Post-Communion Prayer

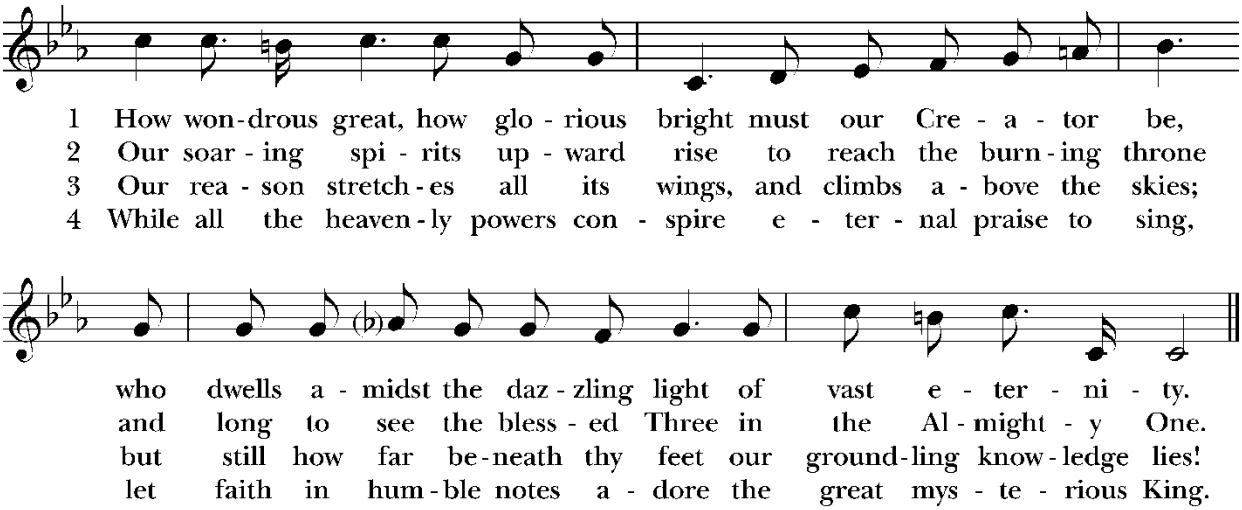
Let us pray.
Celebrant and People

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

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: *How wondrous great, how glorious bright* (Shorney) (H369)



Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ, Alleluia, Alleluia!
People Thanks be to God, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Postlude: *Sicilienne,* Malcolm Archer

TODAY'S SERVERS:

Celebrants: The Rev. Kay Ashby
Parish musician: Edward Grimes
Greeters: David Lewis
Crucifer: Demetrius Carrothers
Eucharistic Minister: Douglas Colmery
Video: David Lewis
Altar Guild: Karen Swope and Barb Anderson
Lector: Demetrius Carrothers
Counters: Kelli Green and Carol Sutek

Announcements

Mark your calendar

The Rev. Audra Abt, Canon for Innovation and Congregational Development for the Episcopal Diocese of Ohio, will be joining us Dec. 14.

The Rev. Abt, was vicar of Holy Spirit, Greensboro, and mission developer and pastor of Abundant Life Health and Healing in Greensboro before coming to the Diocese of Ohio in early 2024.

As a multi-lingual priest in North Carolina, she served congregations with members from Latin America, West Africa, the Caribbean, and Black and White members hailing from around the U.S. In introducing her, the Diocese of Ohio said, "She is excited to share how looking for God in the world, and relating with neighbors by praying and listening, and THEN mutual service, has revealed God's Spirit moving and inviting the church outward again and again to be a part of the yearned-for work of justice, healing, and peace. … In her position as Canon, she will help spark our imaginations and curiosity about how we'll do church differently and help us in the crucial work of launching the College for Congregational Development."

Since she came to the Diocese, Canon Audra has begun hosting monthly "innovation community calls" to get a sense of new ways churches throughout our diocese are approaching their vocations. In November, the call will focus on "stories from people around our diocese who are seeking out public conversations and building new relationships with neighbors unfamiliar with The Episcopal Church. What does it mean to let God move us, the church, in new directions into our communities? And what do we learn when we allow ourselves to be uncomfortable and take risks to follow where the Holy Spirit leads?"

November Birthdays

Alice Bolam, 11/4
Rachel Demastus, 11/5
James Husted, 11/8
Elizabeth Paynter, 11/9
Ronald Neidig, 11/10
Gene Miller, 11/10
Luke Papadeonise, 11/13
David Swope, 11/18
Linda Kendrick, 11/30

November Anniversaries

Gene and Joanne Miller, 11/22
Peggy and Ron Neidig, 11/27

St. Paul's special services through Epiphany (all begin at 10:30 a.m. unless otherwise noted)

- Sunday, Nov. 16: Celebrating Stewardship, party following service
- Sunday, Nov. 23: Christ the King Sunday
- Tuesday, Nov. 25: Interfaith Service, Temple Israel, 7 p.m.
- Sunday, Nov. 30: First Sunday of Advent
- Sunday, Dec. 14: Third Sunday of Advent; Canon Audra Abt celebrates
- Sunday, Dec. 21: Fourth Sunday of Advent followed by the Greening of the Church
- Wednesday, Dec. 24: Christmas Eve; music begins at 7:30, service at 8 p.m.
- Sunday, Dec. 28: First Sunday of Christmas, Liturgy of the Word
- Sunday, Jan. 4: Epiphany Sunday St. Paul's service; joint lessons and carols with St. Mark's and St. Timothy's at St. Timothy's, 3 p.m.

A celebration of the life of Jane Goodall will be Wednesday at the National Cathedral

The funeral service for Jane Goodall, the world-renowned primatologist, will be Wednesday at the Washington National Cathedral and will be livestreamed beginning at 11 a.m. Washington Episcopal Bishop Mariann Edgar Budde will officiate and preach.

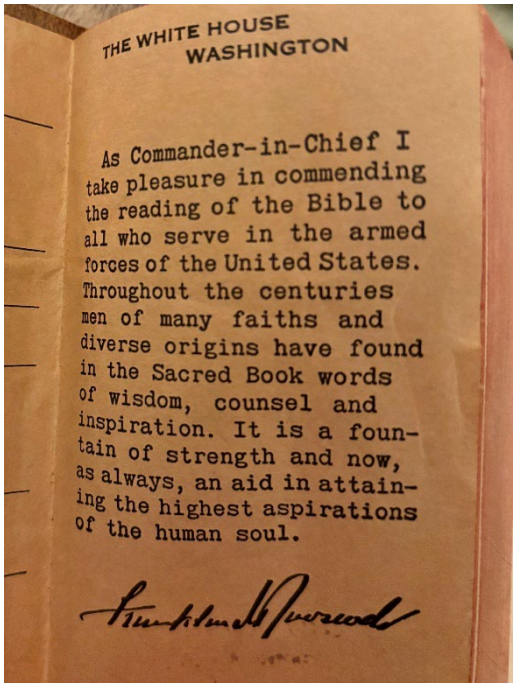
Goodall was known as a conservationist and for her groundbreaking work with chimpanzees in Tanzania. She died Oct. 1 at age 91.

"Dr. Goodall's life was a testament to the power of one person's dedication to understanding and protecting God's creation," said the cathedral's dean, the Very Rev. Randolph Marshall Hollerith, according to the Episcopal News Service. "Her legacy of compassion for all living things and her unwavering message of hope will continue to inspire humanity for generations to come."

Goodall founded the Jane Goodall Institute nearly 50 years ago and started a youth empowerment program called Jane Goodall's Roots & Shoots 15 years later. She also was one of 13 United Nations Messengers of Peace.

Veterans Day

St. Paul's sanctuary includes stained-glass windows dedicated to the memory of our members who died while serving in World War II. In all, 175 members of the family of St. Paul's served in that war in both the U.S. and British military, and all who served received a small brown volume containing the New Testament and Psalms and a forward by then President Franklin D. Roosevelt. At right is the first page of that book, which we recently came across.



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As Commander-in-Chief I take pleasure in commending the reading of the Bible to all who serve in the armed forces of the United States. Throughout the centuries men of many faiths and diverse origins have found in the Sacred Book words of wisdom, counsel and inspiration. It is a fountain of strength and now, as always, an aid in attaining the highest aspirations of the human soul.

Franklin D. Roosevelt

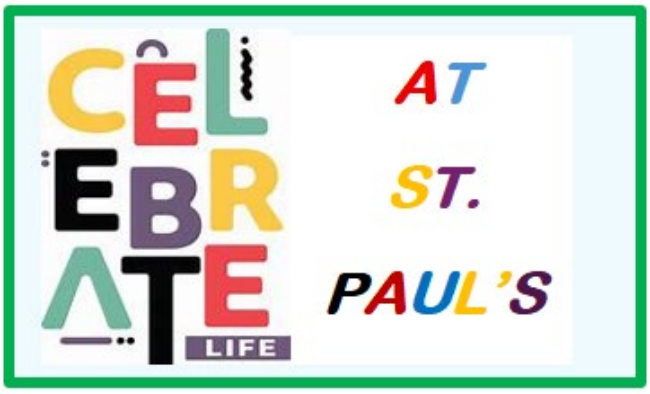
Veterans Day Holy Eucharist and Commissioning of Chaplains

Episcopalians are invited to join a first-time, church-wide Veterans Day Holy Eucharist service at 7 p.m. on **Nov. 11**—via livestream or in person at the Church Center chapel in New York City to honor those who have served in the military and specially recognize the Episcopal chaplains who support them. Presiding Bishop Sean Rowe will preside, and the Rt. Rev. Ann Ritonia, bishop suffragan for the church's Armed Forces and Federal Ministries, will preach. The service will include a special "commissioning for further service" of chaplains who serve military veterans in all branches of the U.S. Armed Forces. The livestream will air on The Episcopal Church's website, Facebook page, and YouTube channel.

Veterans Prayer from the Book of Common Prayer

Almighty God, this Veterans Day we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad, those under active duty and those who have completed their service. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrating stewardship at St. Paul's



Check out the bulletin board in the Narthex! A collage is beginning to emerge – there are pictures, written notes, children's art, and more – all expressions of how the people of St. Paul's find new life and grace in this place. This is the theme for this year's Stewardship program -- "Celebrate Life at St. Paul's."

You are invited to join in the conversation by bringing in a picture, making an art object with the materials provided in the Parish Hall or writing an account of how or when you experienced a time of new life at St. Paul's – and together we will watch the collage grow.

Then, you are asked to take some time thinking about how you can express your thankfulness for this life and enable others to know this gift of God's presence and grace through your pledge for 2026.

Next week, we will gather and bless the pledge cards and then we will have a party! Bring a special celebration food if you want but plan to stay and rejoice with the Body of Christ gathered in this place. If you cannot be here, please return your pledge card as soon as possible to help the Finance and Vestry in budgeting for next year.