St. Paul's Episcopal Church

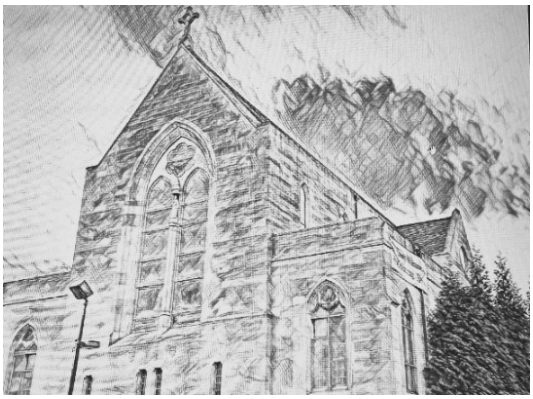
Canton, Ohio

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Eucharist
Aug. 2, 2026, 10:30 a.m.

Welcome to St. Paul's

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

St. Paul's Episcopal Church
425 Cleveland Ave SW
Canton OH 44702
(330) 455-0286
Office hours for Week of Aug 2: 9am-1pm Monday, Tuesday and Friday, and Saturday morning
Website: www.stpaulscanton.org
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/stpaulscanton
e-mail: stpaulsoffice@att.net
We're on YouTube: StPaulsCanton



St. Paul's 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.

The mission of The Episcopal Church is "to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ." In step with that mission, we follow Jesus into loving, liberating, and life-giving relationships with God, with each other, and with the earth.

"Love God. Love Your Neighbor. Change the World."

"God Loves You. No Exceptions."

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Celebrants: The Revs. Joe and Kay Ashby

Readings and Psalm

Isaiah 55:1-5

Psalm 145:8-9, 15-22

Romans 9:1-5

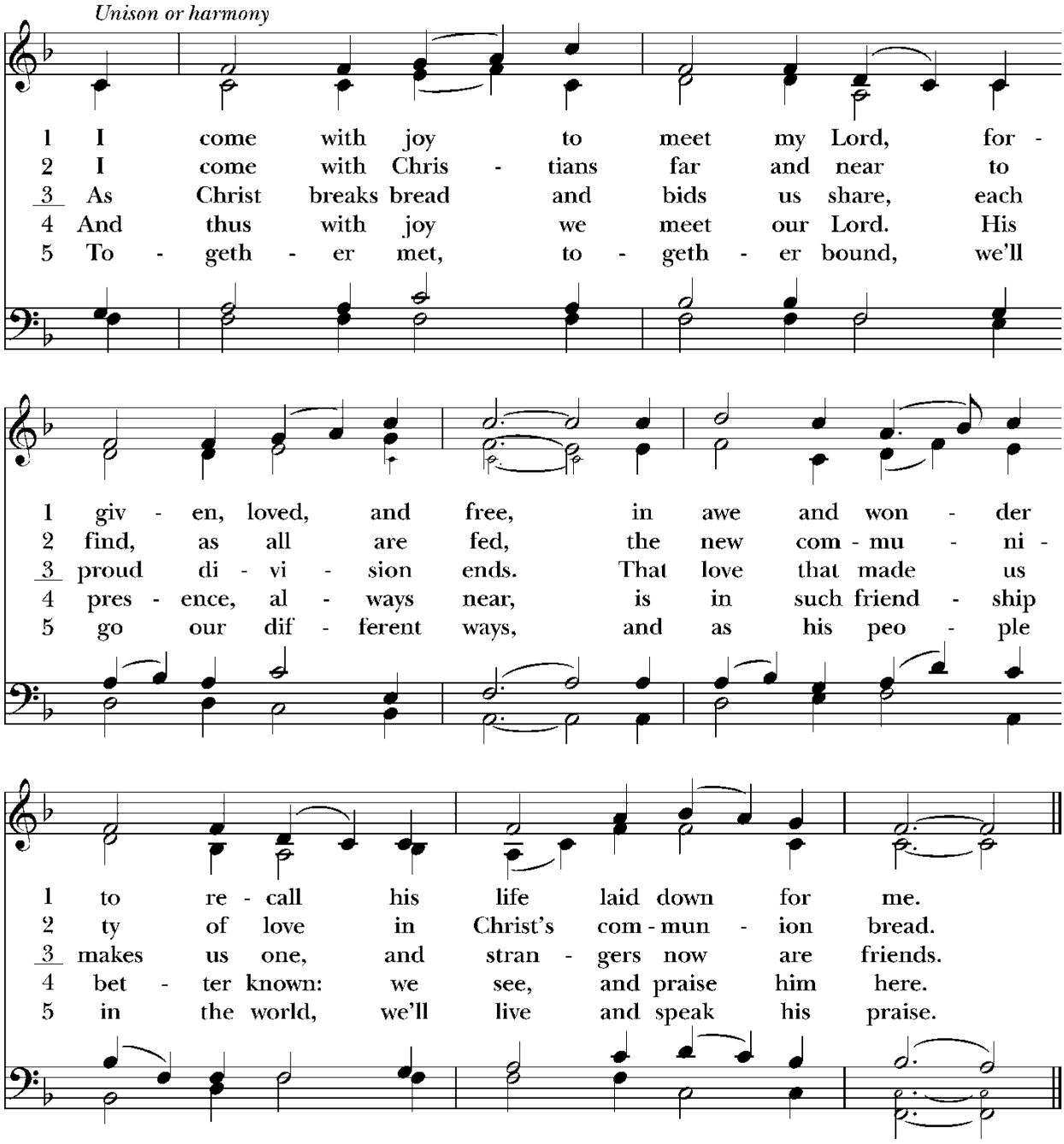
Matthew 14:13-21

From riteplanning.com. Copyright © 2025 Church Publishing Inc. All rights reserved.

Prelude: *Opus 26* (Dustin O'Halloran)

The Word of God

Please stand in body or spirit

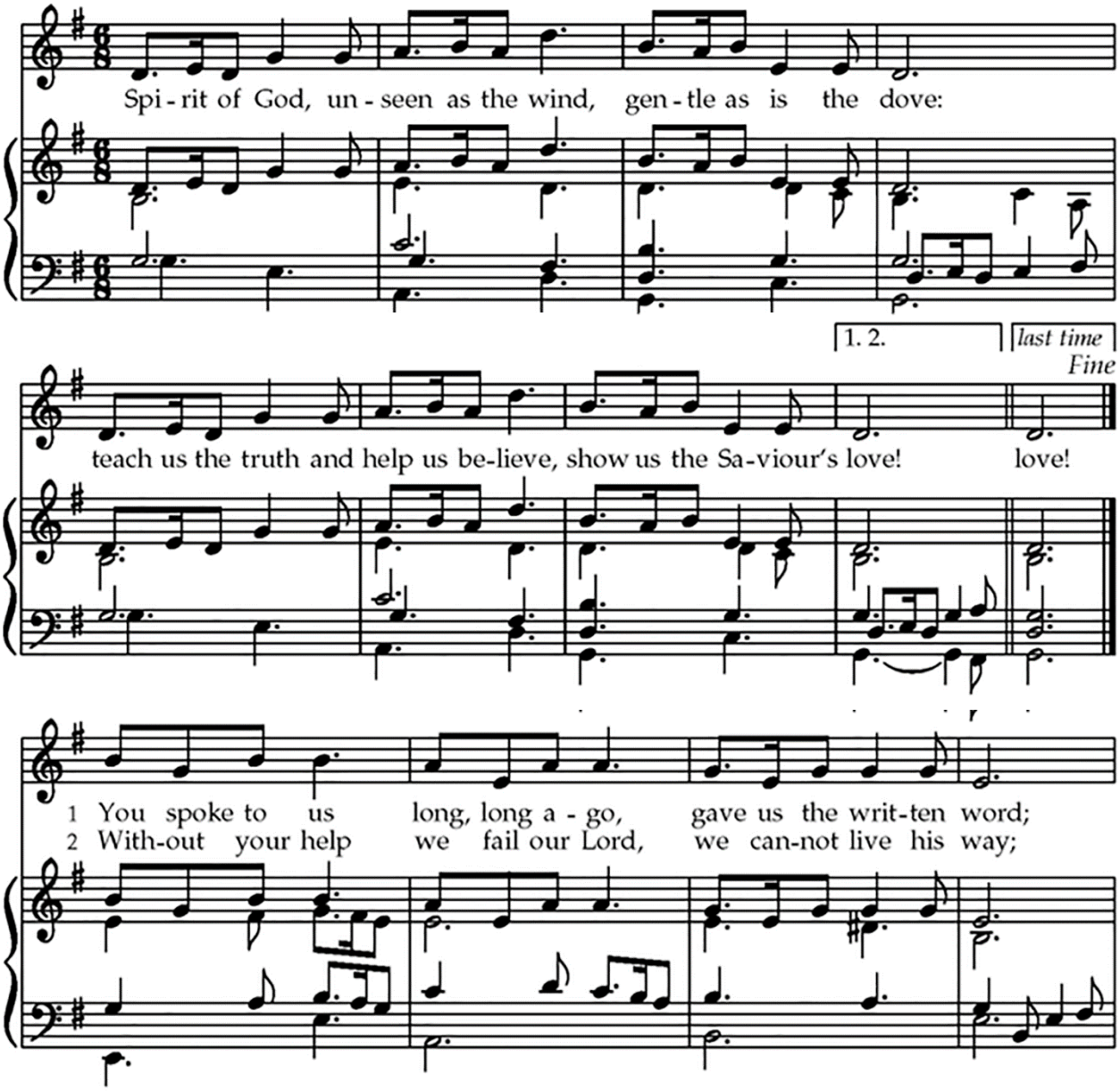
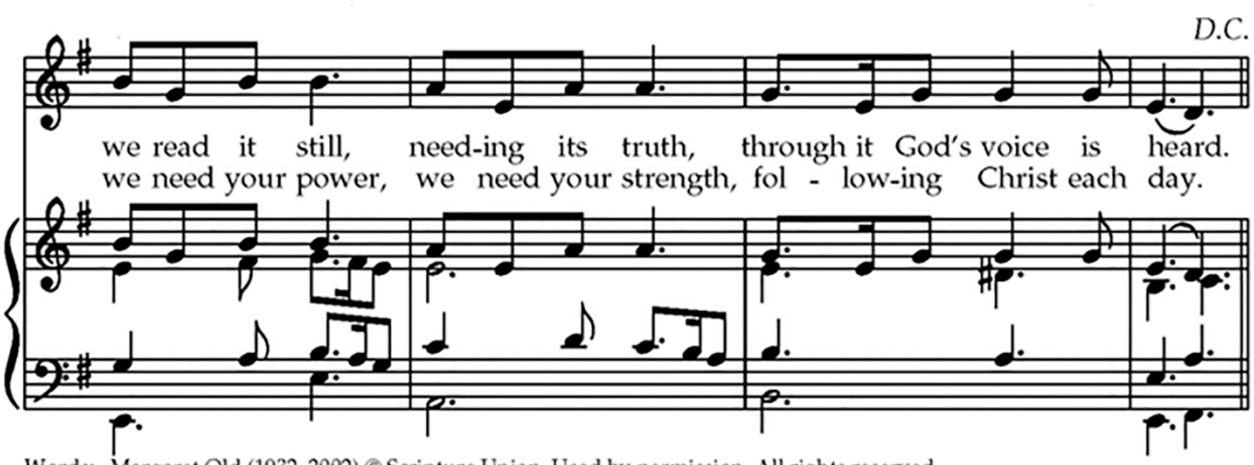
Entrance Hymn: *I come with joy to meet my Lord* (Land of Rest) (H304)

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed are you, holy and living One.

People You come to your people and set them free.

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 Spirit of God *Skye Boat Song* (VF 53)



Words: Margaret Old (1932–2002) © Scripture Union. Used by permission. All rights reserved.
Music: *Skye Boat Song*, Scottish traditional melody; arr. James Whitbourn © Oxford University Press. All rights reserved. Used by permission.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant God 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*.

Please sit.

The Lessons

FIRST READING: Isaiah 55:1-5

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.
[1]Come, everyone who thirsts,
come to the waters;
and you that have no money,
come, buy and eat!
Come, buy wine and milk
without money and without price.
[2]Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
and your labor for that which does not satisfy?
Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good,
and delight yourselves in rich food.
[3]Incline your ear, and come to me;
listen, so that you may live.
I will make with you an everlasting covenant,

my steadfast, sure love for David.
[4]See, I made him a witness to the peoples,
a leader and commander for the peoples.
[5]See, you shall call nations that you do not know,
and nations that do not know you shall run to you,
because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel,
for he has glorified you.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 145:8-9, 15-22

[8]The lord is gracious and full of compassion, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.
[9]The lord is loving to everyone *
and his compassion is over all his works.
[15]The lord upholds all those who fall; *
he lifts up those who are bowed down.
[16]The eyes of all wait upon you, o lord, *
and you give them their food in due season.
[17]You open wide your hand *
and satisfy the needs of every living creature.
[18]The lord is righteous in all his ways *
and loving in all his works.
[19]The lord is near to those who call upon him, *
to all who call upon him faithfully.
[20]He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; *
he hears their cry and helps them.
[21]The lord preserves all those who love him, *
but he destroys all the wicked.
[22]My mouth shall speak the praise of the lord; *
let all flesh bless his holy name for ever and ever.

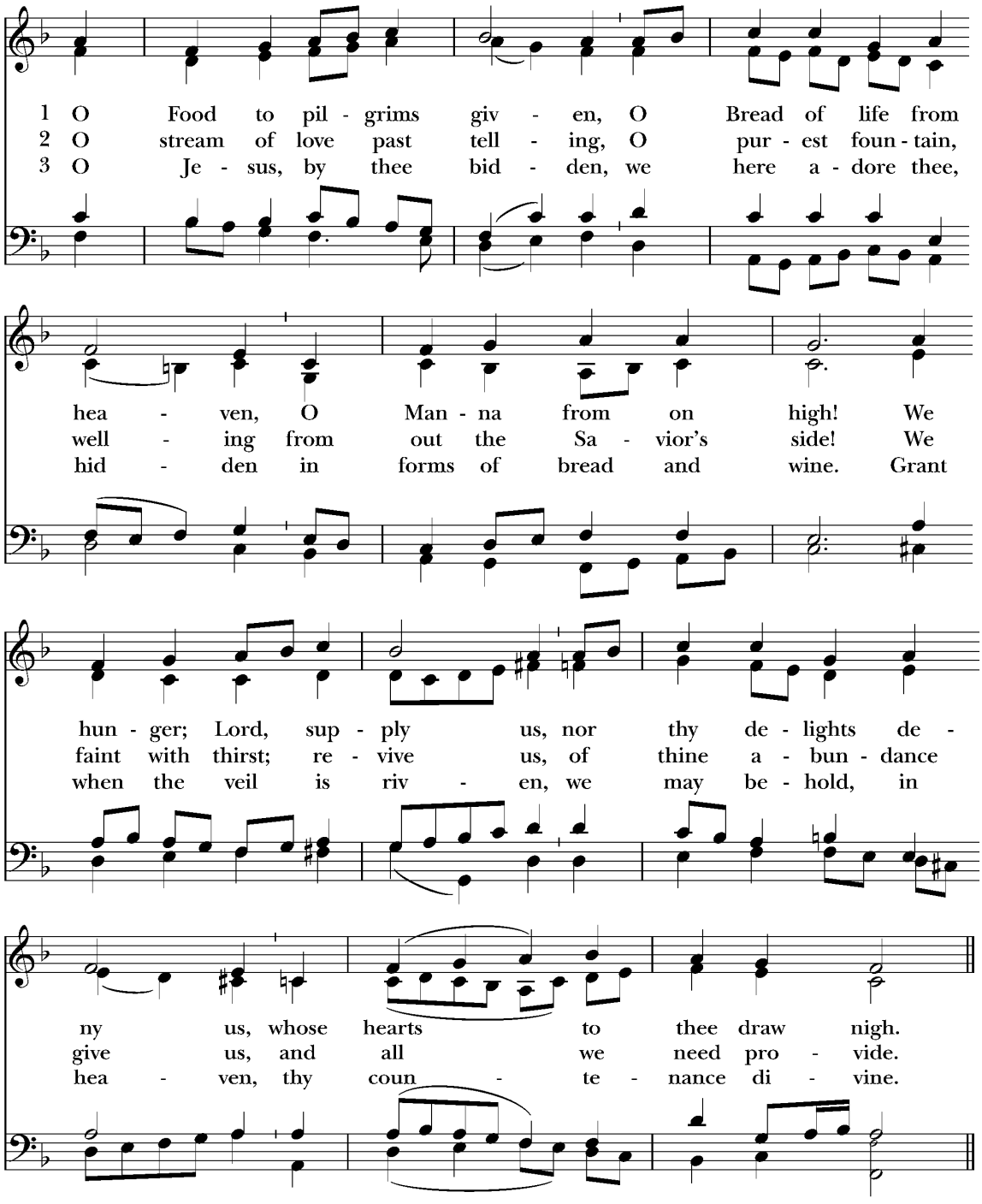
SECOND READING: ROMANS 9:1-5

A reading from Paul's letter to the church in Rome.

[1]I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the holy spirit—[2]I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. [3]for I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. [4]they are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; [5]to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the messiah, who is over all, god blessed forever. Amen.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People Thanks be to God.

Please stand in body or spirit

Sequence Hymn: *O Food to Pilgrims Given* (H 309)

GOSPEL: Matthew 14:13-21

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus according to Matthew.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

13 Jesus withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it,
they followed him on foot from the towns. 14 When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd;
and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. 15 When it was evening, the
disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send
the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for
themselves." 16 Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to
eat." 17 They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." 18 And he said,
"Bring them here to me." 19 Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking
the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the
loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. 20 And
all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve
baskets full. 21 And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and
children.

Celebrant The Gospel of Christ
People Glory to you, O Christ

The Sermon: The Rev. Kay Ashby

Please stand in body or spirit

The Creed

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.

Please remain standing

Prayers of the People

All-loving God, whose life is the source of our life, whose love is the source of our salvation, pour out your grace upon your church and upon the world, that all may know you, love you, and serve one another in your Name;
Hear our prayer.

All-governing God, who set forth the foundations of the world, so direct, inspire, and correct those in authority in this nation and the world, that the laws they make and the policies they embrace may reflect the dignity with which you created humanity in your image, and in harmony with your creation. Remove from the imaginations of power all thoughts toward oppression, discrimination, or other sins of pride, that we may truly love your image in one another, and in your Name;
Hear our prayer

Incarnate God, you lived among neighbors, friends and enemies alike; you know the intimate and everyday concerns of your people in this and every community. Where there is suffering, continue to heal it. Where there is harm, continue to expose it. Where there is need, continue to feed your people with the abundant Providence of God, from whom all blessings flow. Do not let us forget, either, our responsibility for one another's welfare, in your Name;
Hear our prayer.

Resurrecting God, we pray for those who live in the shadow of death, in places of war, in places of terror, in unsafe homes, in uncaring communities. We pray for an end to war, an undoing of terror, a disarming of hatred. We pray for those who have

died, known to us and known only to you, that we may one day receive the same mercy that you have for each of them. In your Name we pray*;*
Hear our prayer.

Awe-inspiring God, we thank you for the joys of human living, for the relationships that bring us closer to the knowledge of your love, for the colors of creation that reflect your glory, as the prophet recognized in the rainbow the glory of the living God. We thank you that we are "marvelously made" in your image, and in your Name;
Hear our prayer.

All healing God, we ask for your healing presence in the lives of those we love especially for Tom Lilly, Johanna Middleton, Viola Sullins, Linda Fogle, Peter Dench, Cara Warren, Alice Bolam, Molly and Nathan Weisel, Andrea, Marilyn Dickinson, Jackson, Gary, Richard Green, John Titmas, Holly Hillen, Bob Reiner, Frances Beacon, Vicki Simpkins, Brinley Wyczalek, Ronnie Long, Aiden Ortiz, we pray to you O Lord.
Hear our prayer.

All loving God, for those who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, especially Sara Seitz, we pray to you O Lord.
Hear our prayer.

All listening God, we offer before you the deepest thanksgivings and desires of our hearts, silently or aloud.
People add their prayers.
We pray to you O Lord.
Hear our prayer.

We pray together now the Discernment Prayer for St. Paul's:
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 Everliving God, we give thanks for the ways in which you have allowed the prism of your glory to be reflected through the diversity and beauty of creation, and through your children, made in your image. We repent of the times we have refused to recognize it. We rely on your mercy to restore its vision to us. We give thanks that you always hear our prayers, made in your Name. *Amen.*

Confession of Sin

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

Celebrant 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*.

Please stand in body or spirit

The Peace

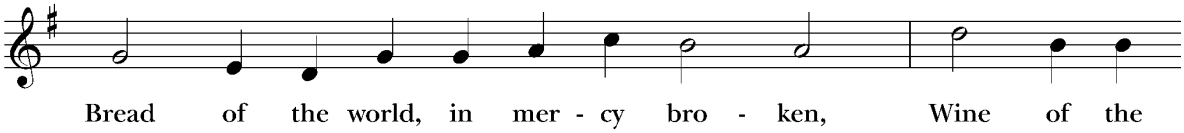
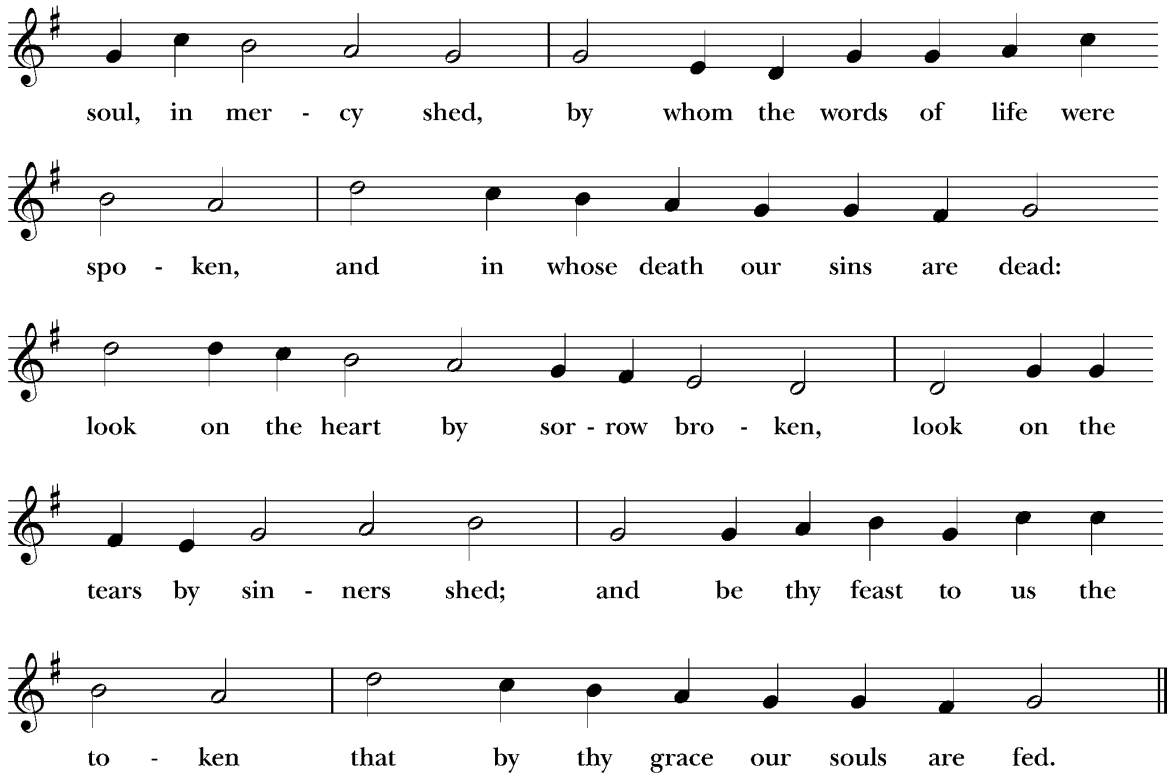
Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.
The People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

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.

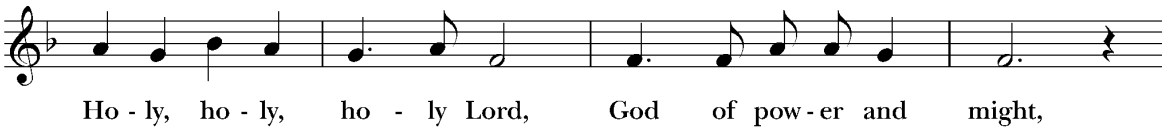
Offertory Hymn: *Bread of the world in mercy broken* (H 301)



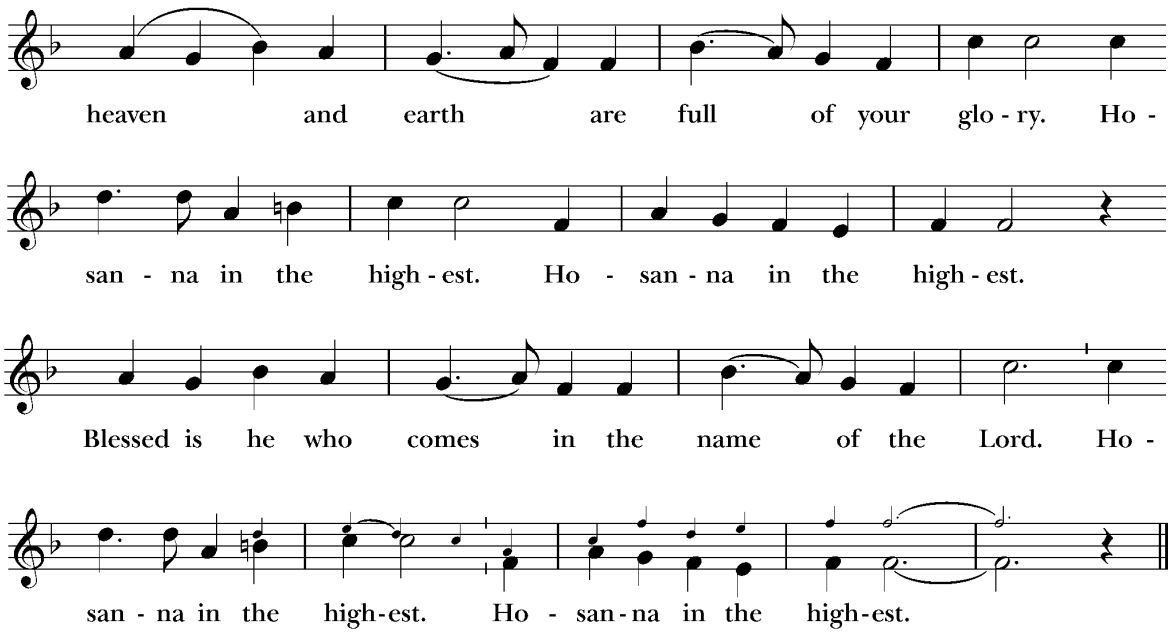
The Great Thanksgiving

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.

Celebrant It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing.
♪♪♪

Sanctus S125





Blessed are you, Gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.
But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.
Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

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

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."♪

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Celebrant and People
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with Paul and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and 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 (S 152)

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

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.

****Note to the congregation: Everyone is 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 priests of St. Paul's.*

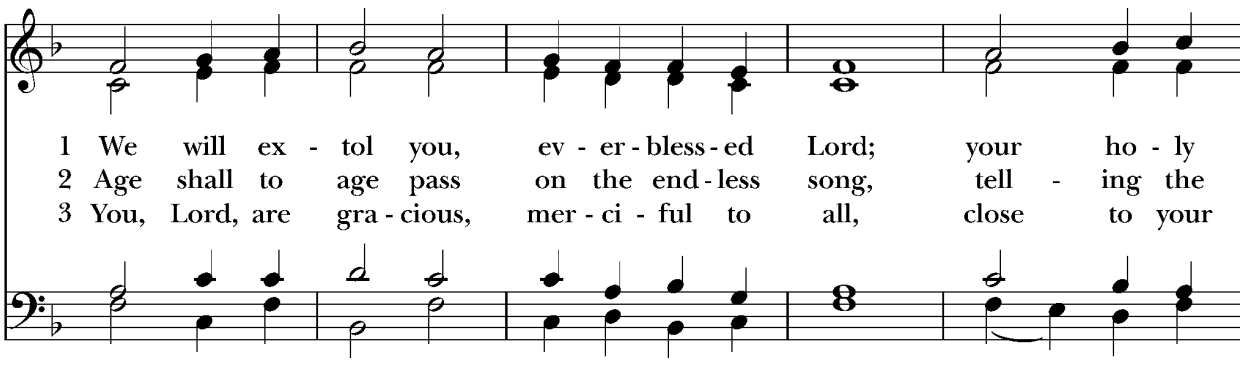
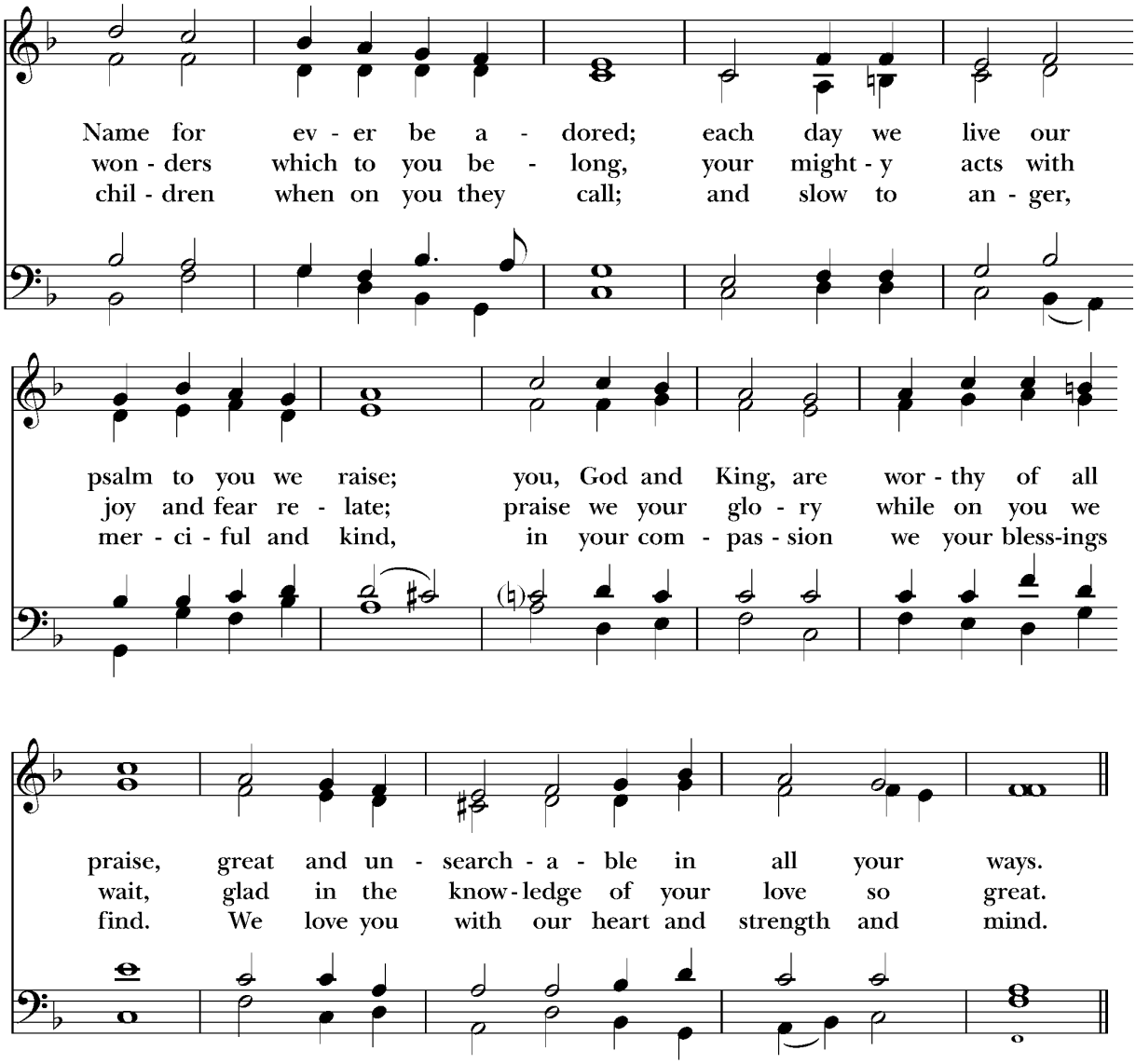
Post-Communion Prayer

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

Celebrant
God's Blessing be with you,
Christ's peace be with you,
the Spirit's outpouring be with you,
now and always. *Amen.*

RECESSIONAL HYMN: We will extol you ever blessed Lord (H 404)



The first stanza may be repeated at the end.

Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude: A*ir* (Andrew Gant)

A prayer for peace

Eternal God, in whose perfect kingdom no sword is drawn but the sword of righteousness, no strength known but the strength of love: So mightily spread abroad your Spirit, that all peoples may be gathered under the banner of the Prince of Peace, as children of one Father; to whom be dominion and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Today's Servers

Celebrants: The Revs. Kay and Joe Ashby
Parish musician: Edward Grimes
Greeters: David Lewis and Paula Hampton
Crucifer: Demetrius Carrothers
Eucharistic Minister: Douglas Colmery
Video/Photography: David Lewis, David Rotthoff
Lector: Carol Sutek
Altar Guild: Demetrius Carrothers and Karen Swope
Counters: Linda Heitger and Marcia Enslen

Happy August Birthdays

Karl Roshong, 8/3
Stephen Johnson, 8/5
Katie Ryan, 8/12
Thomas Lilly, 8/13
David Lewis, 8/16
Victoria Suba-Roshong, 8/29
Richard Reinbold, 8/31
Cara Warren, 8/31
Tammy Patterson, 8/31

Happy August Anniversaries

Greg and Cathi Johanning, 8/11
Demetrius and Cynthia Carrothers, 8/28

Committal Service

Donald Edgar "Ed" Denning
January 28, 1941- June 30, 2026

Celebrant: Almighty God, Father of mercies and giver of comfort: Deal graciously, we pray, with all who mourn; that, casting all their care on you, they may know the consolation of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

Celebrant: Rest eternal grant to Ed, O Lord;
People: And let light perpetual shine upon him.

Celebrant: May his soul, and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. ***Amen.***

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant: Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. And the blessing of God Almighty; Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. ***Amen.***

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Officiant: Everyone the Father gives to me will come to me; I will never turn away anyone who believes in me.

He who raised Jesus Christ from the dead will also give new life to our mortal bodies through his indwelling Spirit.

My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.

You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you this day our brother Ed. We thank you for giving him to us, his family and friends, to know and to love as a companion on our earthly pilgrimage. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us faith to see in death the gate of eternal life, so that in quiet confidence we may continue our course on earth, until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Reading from the Gospel according to John.
"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own, and my own know me, just as the Father knows me, and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

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

Celebrant: In sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, we commend to Almighty God our brother Ed, and we commit his remains to their resting place; earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust. The Lord bless him and keep him, the Lord make his face to shine upon him and be gracious to him, the Lord lift up his countenance upon him and give him peace. *Amen.*

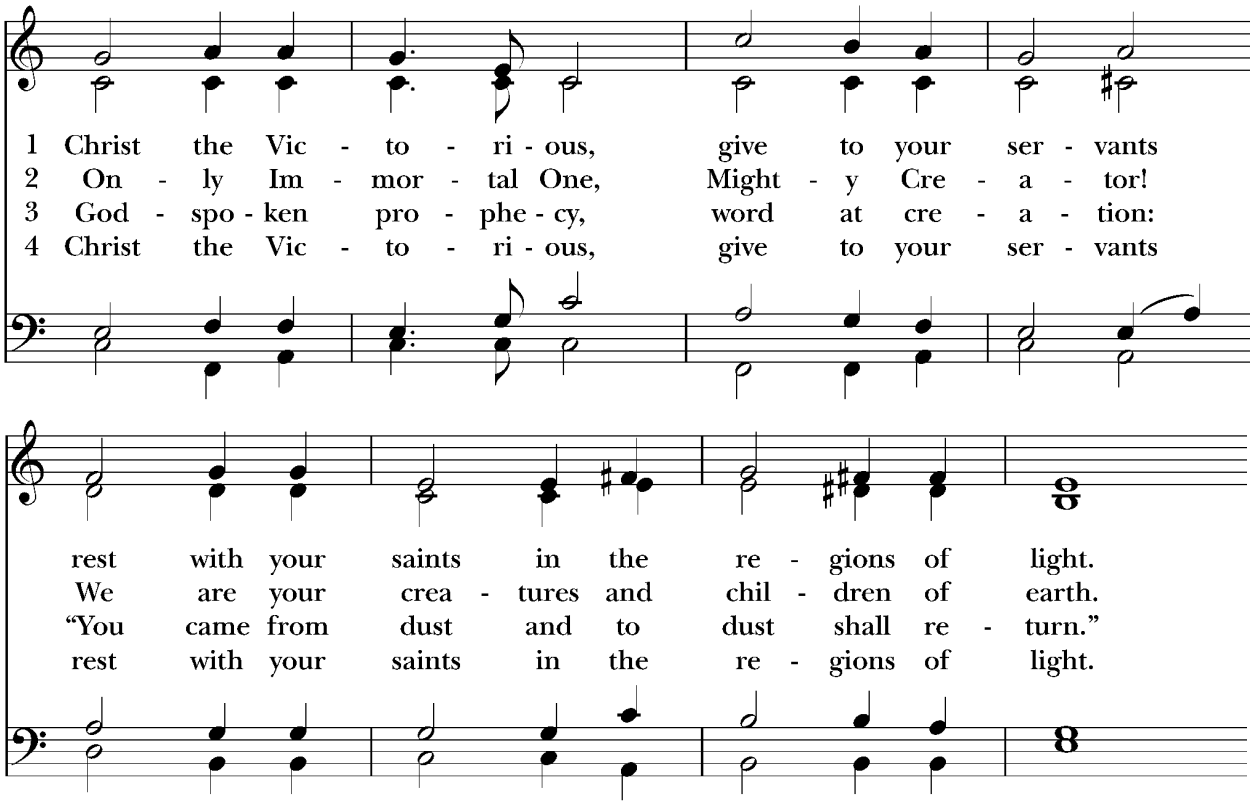
Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.

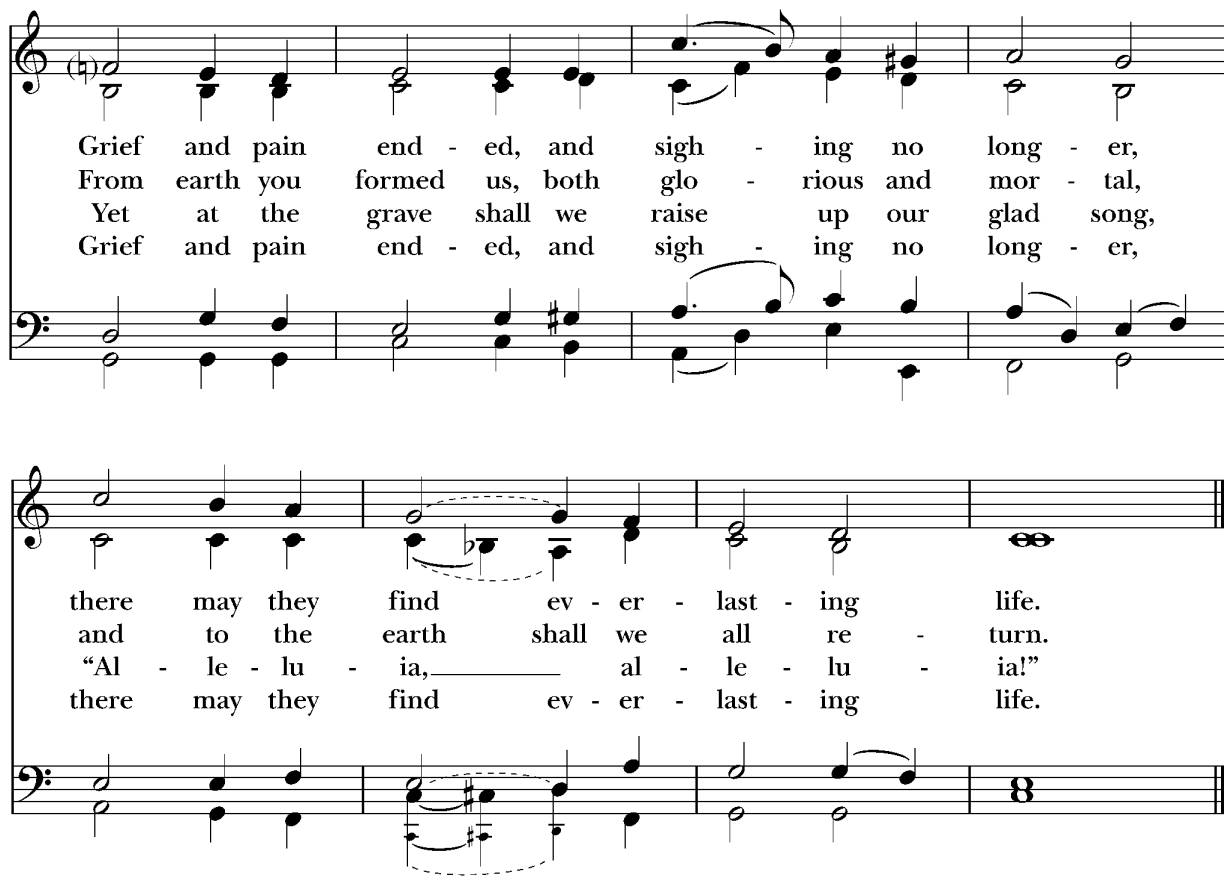
Celebrant: Let us pray.

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.

Celebrant: Father of all, we pray to you for those we love, but see no longer: Grant them your peace; let light perpetual shine upon them; and, in your loving wisdom and almighty power, work in them the good purpose of your perfect will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

HYMN: *Christ the Victorius give to your servants* (H 358)





Donald Edgar "Ed" Denning, 85, of Akron, passed away on June 30, 2026, at St. Luke Lutheran Community. He was born on January 28, 1941, to the late Lester and Nellie {Staten} Denning.

In addition to his parents, Ed was preceded in death by his brother Fred Denning.

Ed earned his Master's of Education at The University of Akron and was a beloved 5th and 7th grade Math and English teacher at Voris Elementary and Roswell-Kent Junior High. After his retirement, Ed became a licensed massage therapist, pioneering the Massage Therapy program at Stark State University. He also wrote a textbook, "Quick Reference Dictionary for Massage Therapy and Bodywork".

In his free time, Ed loved to bike ride, and he and Gary would often take long distance trips together. He coordinated trips with his friends and fellow members of the Akron Bicycle Club, around Akron and even a trip out West.

On July 21, 2007, he married Brenda Maurer-Denning. She survives, along with his son, Gary Edgar Denning; stepsons Jeff and Chris (Susie) Maurer; granddaughters Layla and CeCe; sister-in-law Aggie Denning; nephews David, John (Angie) and Steve (Laura) Denning; niece Ann Marie Denning; great-nephew Quinn Denning; great-niece Alaina Denning; and many friends.

Parish News

Server training next Sunday

There are lots of ways you can become more involved at St. Paul's, including as a server during Sunday services. If you'd like to take that step – or just find out more about it – please join us next Sunday (Aug. 9) after service in the Guild Hall for more information and training.

Next Saturday: Join us for the HOF parade

St. Paul's again has a front row seat to the Hall of Fame parade, which steps off at 8 a.m. Aug. 8 pretty much at our doorstep. We will again be celebrating the event and raising money for our HOT lunch program by offering the community coffee, water, hot dogs and donuts. It's never too early to start collecting, so please consider donating a case of water and/or money to help us underwrite the costs. A signup sheet is posted in the Narthex if you want to help, get a great view of the best of the parade and get a parking pass so you can navigate the police barricades downtown.

Our sympathies to Susan and Rich

A Mass of Christian Burial for Sara Seitz, the beloved sister of Susan Phillips, will be Monday at 11 a.m. at Holy Family Catholic Church, 3179 Kent Road in Stow. Sara was 63 when she passed away Monday after a more than 30-year battle with M.S., which she faced with dignity and determination.

She was the daughter of Dr. Karl and Twila Ulicny and a graduate of Western Reserve Academy and the University of Akron. "Sara loved all animals and advocated for their humane treatment. She had a lifelong love of learning, which never faded."

In lieu of flowers the family asks that donations in Sara's name be made to your local animal shelter.

LGBTQ+ progress

The Episcopal Church is returning to Minneapolis, Minn., in September to mark the 50 years since the 65th General Convention in that city adopted a resolution "affirming that homosexual people are children of God with a full and equal claim upon the church's love, acceptance, and pastoral concern and care."

The three-day seminar on Sept. 3-5 will also "reflect on the church's ongoing journey toward LGBTQ+ inclusion."

The gathering, "Full & Equal: 50 Years in Pursuit of a Promise," includes worship, learning, storytelling, and fellowship and will provide tools for advocacy and archiving.

If you are interested in attending, here's the link for registration. https://web.cvent.com/event/421a7a27-e388-40dd-9f16-9d619d5f3fc2/register?environment=P2&RefId=GeneralRegistration&rp=13d88eae-1843-463c-b686-859e3b8ae19a

From the Episcopal Public Policy Network

A special prayer for Peace Amid Escalation in the Iran War

God of reconciliation, who in Jesus Christ broke down the walls of hostility, we lament the continued escalation in the Iran war which is bringing fear to civilians, grief to families, and growing instability to the region. Guard us from dangers of escalation, for we know that each act of retaliation can deepen suffering and that a single miscalculation may bring devastating consequences for countless people. As your Son, Jesus Christ, calmed the storm, bring peace to troubled hearts and to a troubled world.We ask this through his holy name. Amen.

You and your voice matter

St. Paul's has embraced a structure of lay committees to help guide our church. This includes but is far from limited to the Vestry. Our committees also include the

Finance Committee, Worship Committee, Discernment Committee, Building and Grounds Committee, Harvest Outreach Table, and Altar Guild.
None of the work of any of these committees can happen without your interest and input. If you are curious, have suggestions or want to get more involved, please let us know.
You also are welcome to attend each and every Vestry meeting. We meet on the fourth Monday of each month, beginning at 6 p.m. Some of these meetings are primarily via Zoom, but we ensure there always is someone in the building during the regular meetings if anyone in the congregation wants to attend in person. The next meeting will be Aug. 24.
You also can ask for the Zoom link to the meetings.
If you want to contact Senior Warden M.L. Schultze directly, feel free to call (330) 842-7660 or write pottermommy@aol.com.

Interesting things to know about St. Paul's history

- During the late 1800s, we were a strong advocate for labor and civil rights.
- St. Paul's and its rector, the Rev. Dr. Howard MacQueary, made headlines back in the 1890s when the national church brought him up on heresy charges for his argument that the theory of evolution is not antithetical to the Gospel -- and that faith and science are not contradictory.
- During the Spanish Flu pandemic of 1918-1920, our parish house became an orphanage for children whose parents were killed by the flu.
- St. Mark's grew from St. Paul's in the 1950s; the stipulation by the Diocese at the time was that the two churches be at least 7 miles from each other.
- The ministries of St. Paul's in the 1960s included HOT lunch (still active thanks to Susan Phillips and Carol Sutek), the first free preschool for city children, the first consignment shop specifically for women entering the workforce and a respite center for people with mental illness.
- When its long-time sponsoring church folded in the early 2000s, St. Paul's became the lead sponsor of Thanksgiving Baskets Downtown. Today, a dozen Christian, Jewish, Islamic and other faith organizations are partners.