



**ST. PAUL'S**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY  
AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday, October 29, 2023  
8:45 am & 11:00 am

Holy Eucharist: Rite II

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*The mission of St. Paul's Episcopal Church is to explore and celebrate  
God's infinite grace, acceptance, and love.*

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The *Book of Common Prayer* (BCP) is the red book.

The *Hymnal 1982* (H) is the blue book.

The service starts on page 355 in the *Book of Common Prayer*.

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PRELUDE: PRELUDE IN Eb "ST. ANNE," BWV 552

BACH

# THE WORD OF GOD

*Please stand at the tolling of the bell.*

HYMN: HOW LOVELY IS THY DWELLING PLACE

H 517

*Please remain standing.*

*Presider* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

BCP 355

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

*Presider* 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: GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST

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1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - 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.

Setting: William Mathias (b. 1934)

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Presider*     The Lord be with you.

*People*        **And also with you.**

*Presider*     Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*People*        **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## THE FIRST LESSON: DEUTERONOMY 34:1-12

Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the Lord showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, the Negeb, and the Plain—that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees—as far as Zoar. The Lord said to him, “This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, ‘I will give it to your descendants’; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there.” Then Moses, the servant of the Lord, died there in the land of Moab, at the Lord’s command. He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigor had not abated. The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended.

Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the Lord had commanded Moses.

Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face. He was unequalled for all the signs and wonders that the Lord sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

*The lector closes the reading, saying*

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

*People*       **Thanks be to God.**

*Silence and stillness*

# THE PSALM: PSALM 90:1-6, 13-17

*Spoken at 8:45 and sung at 11:00*



- 1 Lord, you have | been our | refuge \*  
from one gener- | ation | to an- | other.
- 2 Before the mountains were brought forth,  
or the land and the | earth were | born, \*  
from | age to | age you are | God.
- 3 You turn us back to the | dust and | say, \*  
“Go | back, O | child of | earth.”
- 4 For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday | when it is | past \*  
and | like a | watch in the | night.
- 5 You sweep us a- | way like a | dream; \*  
we fade away | sudden- ly | like the | grass.
- 6 In the morning it is | green and | flourishes; \*  
in the | evening it is | dried up and | withered.
- 13 † Return, O LORD; how | long will you | tarry? \*  
be | gracious | to your | servants.
- 14 Satisfy us by your loving- | kindness in the | morning; \*  
so shall we rejoice and be glad | all the | days of our | life.
- 15 Make us glad by the measure of the days that | you af- | flicted us \*  
and the years in | which we | suffered ad- | versity.



- 16 Show your | servants your | works \*  
and your | splendor | to their | children.
- 17 May the graciousness of the LORD our | God be up- | on us; \*  
prosper the work of our hands;  
| prosper | oür | handiwork.

## THE SECOND LESSON: 1 THESSALONIANS 2:1-8

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

*The lector closes the reading, saying*

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

*Silence and stillness*

*Children in second grade and below are invited to follow the cross and process to Children's Chapel. They will return at the Peace to take Communion with their families.*

**HYMN: GOD OF MERCY, GOD OF GRACE**

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*11:00 service only*



## THE HOLY GOSPEL: MATTHEW 22:34-46

*Please stand.*

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

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. “Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?” He said to him, “‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.”

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: “What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?” They said to him, “The son of David.” He said to them, “How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

‘The Lord said to my Lord,  
“Sit at my right hand,  
until I put your enemies under your feet”’?

If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?” No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

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

*Please be seated at the invitation of the preacher.*

THE NICENE CREED

BCP 358

*Please 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

*Our prayer list can be found online at [www.tinyurl.com/stpaulsfay-prayer](http://www.tinyurl.com/stpaulsfay-prayer)*

*Prayer is offered with intercession for the Universal Church, its members, and its mission; the Nation and all in authority; the welfare of the world; the concerns of the local community; those who suffer and those in any trouble; and the departed.*

*Please add your intercessions aloud or in silence after each petition.*

*At the end of each petition, the following is said:*

*Litanist*      May the graciousness of God be upon us,  
*People*        **and prosper the work of our hands.**

## CONFESSION OF SIN

BCP 360

*Silence may be kept.*

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 ABSOLUTION

BCP 360

## THE PEACE

BCP 360

*Please stand.*

*Presider*     The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*        **And also with you.**

*Please be seated.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Weekly announcements can be found online at [www.stpaulsfay.org/s/epistle.pdf](http://www.stpaulsfay.org/s/epistle.pdf)*

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## OFFERTORY

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8:45 ANTHEM: GOD IS OUR HOPE

BERTALOT

11:00 ANTHEM: O HOW AMIABLE

WILLIAMS

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

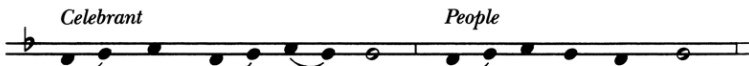
EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A

BCP 361

*Please stand.*


*Spoken at 8:45 and sung at 11:00*

*Celebrant* *People*




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

*Celebrant* *People*




Lift up your hearts. 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.

*The Presider continues*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*Here a Proper Preface is sung or said.*

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: HOLY, HOLY, HOLY LORD**

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Setting: From *A Community Mass*; Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

*Please stand or kneel.*

*The Presider continues*

BCP 362

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself...

...Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Presider and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Presider continues*

BCP 363

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father...

...All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

*Presider and People*



**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

BCP 364

**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

BCP 364


*The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*



FRACTION ANTHEM: JESUS, LAMB OF GOD


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Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy



on us. Je - sus, bear-er of our sins: have mer - cy



on us. Je - sus, re-deem-er of the world: give us your peace.

Setting: William Matthias (b. 1934)

*Facing the people, the Presider says the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*and may add*

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*Whoever you are and wherever you are in your pilgrimage of faith,  
you are welcome in this place; you are welcome at God's table.*

*To receive Communion, come forward down the center aisle. Hand sanitizer is available. You may come up the chancel steps to the altar rail or receive at the floor station in front of the pulpit. If you need the clergy to bring Communion to your pew, please let an usher know. To receive the bread, extend your open palm to the minister. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. To receive the wine, guide the base of the chalice with your hand so that you can sip from the cup. You may also intinct/dip the bread into the wine if you prefer. If you prefer not to receive in either or both kinds, cross your arms over your chest to indicate your intention. Return to your pew by the side aisles.*

## PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

*For those joining us at home*

**In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, we desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. We remember your death, Lord Christ; we proclaim your resurrection; we await your coming in glory. Since we cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, we beg you to come spiritually into our hearts. Cleanse and strengthen us with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.**

ANTHEM: CANTATE DOMINUM

HASSLER

HYMN: TAKE MY LIFE, AND LET IT BE

H 707

## COMMISSIONING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

*Minister* In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that [*names of recipients*] may share with us the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

*People* **We who are many are one Body, because we all share one Bread, one Cup.**

## POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

*Please stand or kneel.*

*Presider 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.**

HYMN: O GOD, OUR HELP IN AGES PAST

H 680

## THE BLESSING

## THE DISMISSAL

*After the dismissal sentence*

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE: TOCCATA AND FUGUE IN D MINOR

BACH

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