



ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

"Historic Key West's Church"

January 17, 2021, 8:30 a.m.

2nd Sunday after the Epiphany

The Episcopal Church &
We, here at St. Paul's, Welcome You!

Our Vision and Mission...

St. Paul's Church is a magnet drawing all people to the spiritual, cultural and re-creational heart of the community. We aspire to this vision by our mission to know that we are Christ's body in the world, revealing the love of God.

*We remind ourselves of the words in scripture wherein God said,
"... my house shall be a house of prayer for all people."*

So today we pray that when you come through the doors of the sanctuary you will be greeted by love of God abiding in our hearts and minds. Your presence is a blessing to us today. Together let us bless the Lord in prayer, hymns, and dining with Christ at the Holy Table.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

Organ Prelude

Opening Acclamation

BCP 355

The people standing, the Celebrant says

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

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

Liturgy of the Word

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.

Kyrie

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy.

People : *Christ have mercy.*

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy.

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

A Reading from the Book of First Samuel

3:1-10[11-20]

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening." [Then the Lord said to Samuel, "See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. On that day I will fulfil against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. For I have told him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering forever."

Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the Lord. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." He said, "Here I am." Eli said, "What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you." So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, "It is the Lord; let him do what seems good to him."

As Samuel grew up, the Lord was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the Lord.]

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17

BCP794

Domine, probasti

*1 Lord, you have searched me out and known me; *
you know my sitting down and my rising up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.*

*2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places *
and are acquainted with all my ways.*

*3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, *
but you, O Lord, know it altogether.*

- 4 *You press upon me behind and before *
and lay your hand upon me.*
- 5 *Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; *
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.*
- 12 *For you yourself created my inmost parts; *
you knit me together in my mother's womb.*
- 13 *I will thank you because I am marvelously made; *
your works are wonderful, and I know it well.*
- 14 *My body was not hidden from you, *
while I was being made in secret
and woven in the depths of the earth.*
- 15 *Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;
all of them were written in your book; *
they were fashioned day by day,
when as yet there was none of them.*
- 16 *How deep I find your thoughts, O God! *
how great is the sum of them!*
- 17 *If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; *
to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.*

A Reading from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians

(6:12-20)

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have any "All things are lawful for me," but not all things are beneficial. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be dominated by anything. "Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food," and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, "The two shall be one flesh." But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn-#707 Take My Life and Let it Be
All standing

Hollingside

***The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John**

(1:43-51)

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

Fr. Lenworth Haughton

All standing

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

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, Form I

BCP 383

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

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this city, the lower keys, and for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For reasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air [or through outer space], let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those celebrating birthdays, and anniversaries, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offenses, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Defend us, deliver us, and in thy compassion protect us, O Lord, by thy grace.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of St Peter, St Paul, and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Leader and People:

*Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

The Priest says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Let us share the Peace of Christ with one another. Reach out beyond yourselves and be encouraged and empowered by God's grace to perhaps share this Peace with someone that you've not met yet. Stay in place, smile and wave and let us delight in being children of God in the House of the Lord.

Please be seated

Announcements

Solo

When the Song of Angels is Stilled sung by Dean Warden

Dan Forrest

When the song of the angels is stilled,
When the star in the sky is gone,
When the kings and princes are home,
When the shepherds are black with their flock,
The work of Epiphany begins:

To find the lost, to heal the broken,
To release the pris'ner,
To rebuild the nations,
To bring peace among brothers,
To make music from the heart.

Holy Communion

All standing

Eucharist Prayer B

BCP 367

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.

Then the Celebrant continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing..... who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.*

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

We give thanks to you...(the Celebrant continues)

...Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*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...(the Celebrant continues)

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.*

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,
for ever and ever. Amen.*

The Breaking of the Bread

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

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Prayers when we cannot receive Holy Communion

In union, O Lord Jesus Christ, with the faithful at every altar of your Church, where your blessed Body and Blood are being offered to the Father, I join in offering the sacrifice of my praise and thanksgiving to you. I present to you myself, my soul, and my body, with the earnest longing that I may ever be united to you. And since I cannot now receive you in this Holy Sacrament, come spiritually, I pray you, into my heart. I unite myself to you, and love you with all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind, and with all my strength. Let nothing ever separate me from you. Let me live and die in your love. Amen.

All standing

Post-communion prayer

BCP 365

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

Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Remember in Your Prayers Today: Brittany (Sherri Hodies' daughter), Beth and Jon Peterson (sister-in-law and brother of Tim), Al (Kitty Robert's partner), Mark Simcox, Susanne Woods, Christian Swanson, Craig Cates, Crystal Cates, and the entire Cates family

Remember those who have died: Mark Sandground

We Celebrate these January Birthdays:

Lonnie Gordon	1/01	Barbara Poole	1/19
Faye Graniela	1/01	Elizabeth Curry	1/22
Mark Whiteside	1/03	Ruth Lamere	1/22
PK Lynch	1/09	Juliette Hamilton	1/24
Phyllis Sweeting	1/09	Samantha Langdale	1/24
Nancy Campbell	1/11	Jeffrey Burnham	1/27
Perry Hodies	1/11	Richard Curry	1/27
Brittany Mariscal	1/14	Jeff Minalga	1/28
Virginia Butler	1/15	Julie Waters	1/28
Bob Hicks	1/16	Joshua McCloud	1/29
Sue Decker	1/17	Carolyn Sangston	1/30
Lew Ann Cahill	1/18	Lorraine Zimmerman	1/31

We Celebrate January Anniversaries:

Dave and Irene Eyer	1/02	George and Julie Wallace	1/14
Wendy Niven and Anthony Sperling	1/05	Percy and Betty Curry	1/20
Jerry and Barbara Poole	1/10	Mary and Dexter Simmons	1/25
Jeff and Janet Carr	1/12	Denise and Keith Graham	1/30
		Susanne and Dean Schott	1/31

Celebrant: Fr. Lenworth Haughton
Organist: Tim Peterson
Cantor: Dean Warden
Reader: Mary Simmons

St. Paul's Vestry
Senior Warden, Ray Warren (Class of 2022)
Junior Warden, Greta Philips-Ford (Class of 2023)
Class of 2021: Lonnie Gordon, Joseph Lyles, Perry Hodies
Class of 2022: Kim Grizzle-Malgrat, Samantha Hall
Class of 2023: Bruce Hagemann, Lilla Whiteside

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please consider buying a personalized brick for the brick paver portion of the Memorial Garden. The cost of a 4 x 8 brick is \$100. Each brick will accommodate up to 3 lines and up to 18 characters per line, including spaces. You may order a Donor Brick with an additional donation of \$35; this is a duplicate of the brick being placed in the garden. With an additional donation of \$12 you may purchase a Donor Certificate to frame or to present as a gift. You can order your brick(s) at <https://www.bricksrus.com/donorsite/stpaulskw>

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The Vestry has designated Sunday, January 31, 2021 as the date for the annual meeting. Obviously, this is complicated by the ongoing pandemic. Our by-laws do not contemplate electronic meetings.

At the annual meeting proxy voting is currently forbidden and the meeting must take place “at the principal office address unless otherwise directed in the notice of such meeting.” It is a bit murky whether a Zoom meeting is “a place”, even if designated in the notice of meeting.

To cover all bases the Vestry has decided to call a “hybrid meeting.” We absolutely do not want anyone who is uncomfortable attending a meeting in person (or who, for health reasons should not do so) to feel the need to do so. On the other hand, if we can assemble at least 30 qualified “electors” onsite we will cover all by-law bases beyond doubt.

Therefore, a notice will be issued for an annual meeting to be held at both the church sanctuary and via Zoom for qualified electors. With luck, we’ll have at least 30 on the premises, while still allowing those who want or need to participate to do so via Zoom.

If you are considering attending in person, please know we will go out of the way to ensure safety. Many of the reports that are usually read will be recorded and available in advance. (We probably won’t read them or play them during the meeting itself to reduce the time together.)

We’ll swing the windows of the church wide open. Though that will increase the noise from the street, it will make the interior space essentially and exterior space. We’ll also have socially distanced seating available on the side porch for those who prefer to listen from outside the structure.

Every annual meeting involves electing three Vestry members, electing Diocesan Convention delegates (if appropriate) and approval of the budget. This year there will also be an agenda item to amend the by-laws to specifically provide for electronic meetings in times of emergency. Details will follow, but please mark your calendars for Sunday, January 31 after the 8:30 service (approximately 9:50) for the annual meeting.

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HISTORY OF ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

St. Paul's Church was formed by an official act of the City Council of Key West. In a petition to the bishop of New York, the City council requested a priest be sent and the Parish of St. Paul's be established. In 1831, the council gave notice of a public meeting to establish an Episcopal Church, and a committee was appointed.

The first rector was the Reverend Sanson K. Brunot, who arrived December 23, 1832. He held the first service on Christmas Day 1832 in the County Courthouse on Jackson Square. That same day the congregation signed an "Act of Association" of the Episcopal Congregation in Key West to be called St. Paul's Church. The first Vestry was elected April 8, 1833, and Rev. Brunot became a permanent house-guest of Vestryman William Whitehead, as there was no rectory or church building. Land for a church site was given by the widow of John William Charles Fleming in 1832 with the only stipulation that her husband's remains stay where they were. He is still buried on the grounds, but the actual site is unknown.

The original church made of coral rock, was built in 1838-39. The building, when completed, was 38 x 58 feet, and the total cost of construction was \$6,500. This first building was totally destroyed by a hurricane on October 11, 1846. The second church was a wooden structure measuring 28 x 66 feet. Services were held in this building on June 30, 1848, and the church was consecrated on January 4, 1851, by the Right Reverend C.E. Gadsden, Bishop of South Carolina.

In 1857 a Rectory was erected on the corner of Duval and Eaton Street, facing Eaton. The Rev. Osgood E. Herrick was the first in a long line of rectors to call it home. The church was growing steadily, and the seating capacity of 350 was becoming inadequate. This is when St. Peter's was established (1875), and the Spanish Mission of St. John's followed.

The second church was destroyed in the Great Fire of Key West in March 1886. By some good fortune the Rectory survived undamaged. Rebuilding the church began immediately, and the third church was completed in 1887. Constructed of wood, it stood in the center of the block facing Eaton Street. It measured approximately 58 x 98 feet.

In 1890, the Vestry voted to purchase a chime of bells. Once installed, the first chime of bells within Florida was inaugurated on Palm Sunday morning, March 22, 1891, at 10:00 a.m.

On October 11, 1909, another disaster struck, and the church was destroyed by a hurricane. The parish hall (completed in 1904) and the Rectory survived the storm and were used for services. Plans for a new church were approved in 1911, which would be constructed of concrete. The church would be

located at the corner of Duval and Eaton Streets. This required the moving of the Rectory to its current location in 1914. The first service in the current building was held June 8, 1919. During this time, many of the beautiful stained glass windows were ordered, and installation began in 1920. The organ arrived in 1931 in time for Christmas services.

A major restoration of the church began in 1991 to save the building from collapse. The concrete used in the initial construction had been mixed with seawater and beach sand, causing the steel reinforcing within the walls and columns to split. Work was complete in 1993 at a cost of nearly one million dollars.

Today the church continues to stand as a beacon within the diverse cultural community of Key West. The church is open daily for prayer, meditation and visitation. Many concerts and other community events take place here, and St. Paul's plays a positive role in the community both artistically and

spiritually. Thirty-four priests have served St. Paul's as rector and several others as interim priests. We have been without a full-time Rector or interim since July 2020. We are in the middle of a search for our new Rector, whom we hope that we can welcome into our community of faith in the very near future.

