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Holy Trinity Cathedral, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

# ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

"Historic Key West's Church"

August 29, 2021

7:30am and 10:00am

14th Sunday after Pentecost

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

## ***Your Vision and Mission...***

St. Paul's Episcopal Church is a magnet welcoming all people to the spiritual, cultural, and re-creational heart of the community. We aspire to be Christ's body in the world, revealing the love of God.

✠ *sign of the cross (optional)*

## **THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II**

### **Prelude**

**Chiming of the Angelus**    *(remain seated)*

### **Procession**

## **Liturgy of the Word**

### **Opening Acclamation**

*The people standing, the celebrant says*

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

**People:**    *And blessed be God's 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.*



## The Gloria

*Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.*

*Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.*

*For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

## The Salutation

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

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

Celebrant: Let us pray.

## Collect of the Day

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*The people sit.*

## A Reading from the book of Deuteronomy

(4:1-2, 6-9)

Moses said: So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the Lord, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God with which I am charging you.

You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!" For what other great nation has a god so near to it as



the Lord our God is whenever we call to him? And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today?

But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

## **Psalm 15**

**BCP599**

*Domine, quis habitabit?*

- 1 Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? \*  
who may abide upon your holy hill?
- 2 Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, \*  
who speaks the truth from his heart.
- 3 There is no guile upon his tongue;  
he does no evil to his friend; \*  
he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.
- 4 In his sight the wicked is rejected, \*  
but he honors those who fear the Lord.
- 5 He has sworn to do no wrong \*  
and does not take back his word.
- 6 He does not give his money in hope of gain, \*  
nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.
- 7 Whoever does these things \*  
shall never be overthrown.

## **A Reading from the Epistle of James**

*(1:17-27)*

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.



But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing.


If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

**Sequence Hymn-#660 O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee**

*Maryton*

 *do not sing*

*All standing, the Priest reads the Gospel, first saying*

**The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark** (7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23)  
**People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, “Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?” He said to them, “Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

‘This people honors me with their lips,  
but their hearts are far from me;  
in vain do they worship me,  
teaching human precepts as doctrines.’

You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.”

Then he called the crowd again and said to them, “Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.” For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

*Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

**Sermon**

**The Rev. Donna S. Mote, PhD**

*Silence follows the sermon.*



**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**

**BCP387**

*The Intercessor and People pray responsively*

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

**People:** *That we all may be one.*

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

**People:** *That your Name may be glorified by all people.*



We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

***People: That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.***

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

***People: That there may be justice and peace on the earth.***

In our Anglican and Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for the Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan Andros Island, Bahamas: Saint Margaret's, Nicholls Town; Saint Mary Magdalene, Mastic Point; Saint John's, Homestead;

***People: Hear our prayer.***

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

***People: That our works may find favor in your sight.***

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble....(especially); we pray, O Lord;

***People: That they may be delivered from their distress.***

Give to the departed eternal rest....(especially); we pray, O Lord;

***People: Let light perpetual shine upon them.***

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

***People: May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.***

For those in our parish celebrating their birthdays this week... and those celebrating their anniversaries.... Lord, in your mercy,

***People: Hear our prayer.***

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*The people may offer their own petitions either silently or aloud.*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.*

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.

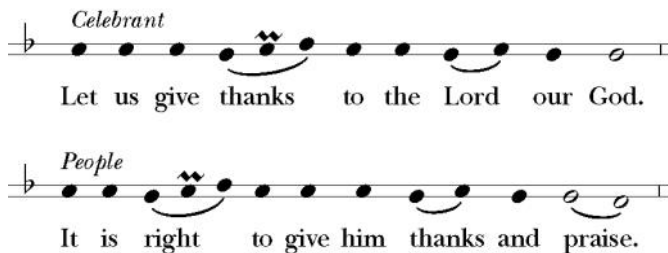
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,

have mercy on us and forgive us;









*Then the Celebrant 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. 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:

*All sing the Sanctus*

**Sanctus**     † *spoken*

***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.***

*The people stand or kneel.*

*Then the Celebrant continues*

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

*At the following words considering 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 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,

***We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;***

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

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 the ever-Blessed Virgin Mary, St 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.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**S-149 The Lord's Prayer** ✠ *spoken*

***Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil,  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.***

**The Breaking of the Bread**

*The celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*



*Then may be sung or said*

**S-164 Jesus, Lamb of God**    † *spoken*

***Jesus, Lamb of God; have mercy on us.  
Jesus, bearer of our sins; have mercy on us.  
Jesus, redeemer of the world:  
Give us your peace.***

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

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*The Bread is given to the communicants with these words*

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven.

***People: Amen.***

**Communion Hymn #679 Surely It Is God Who Saves Me**

*Thomas Merton*

*Do not sing.*

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*All standing*

**BCP365**

***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.***

*The Bishop when present, or the Priest, may bless the people.*

**Blessing** ✠

**Dismissal**

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

***People: Thanks be to God.***

**Organ Postlude**

**Remember in Your Prayers Today:** Brittany (Sherri Hodies' daughter), Beth and Jon Peterson (sister-in-law and brother of Tim), Al (Kitty Roberts' partner), David Sweeting, Sandy Highsmith, Carla Harper (sister of Joseph Lyles), Judy Denton Ping, John Shaver, Joe Wittreich, Sarah, Steve Sika, Maxon Faraldo, Leslie Steele, Jeff Minalga, Daniel Hess (friend of Joseph Lyles), Tom Hojnowski (Dave and Irene's nephew-in-law), Dave, Pat, and Pete



**Remember those who have died:** Elsa Colligan (mother of Kip Colligan), Delia Marlene Sparks (mother of Linda Sparks), Isaac Archer

**We Celebrate these Birthdays this week:**

Stephen Gahan	08/29	Eddie Webster	09/03
Juan Mayancela	08/31	John McDaniel	09/04
Sandy Higgs	09/02	Tony Willis	09/04

**We Celebrate these Anniversaries this week:**

Thomas Bond & Ray Warren	08/29
Michelle & Tom Valvoda	08/30
John & Carolyn Sangston	08/31

**Celebrant:** The Rev. Donna S. Mote, PhD

**Organist:** Tim Peterson

**Cantor:** Dean Warden

**Acolyte:**

**Reader:** Bruce Hageman

**Ushers:** Don Curry  
Brian Wagstaff

**St. Paul's Vestry**

**Senior Warden,** Ray Warren (Class of 2022)

**Junior Warden,** Greta Philips-Ford (Class of 2023)

**Class of 2022:** Kim Grizzle-Malgrat, Samantha Hall

**Class of 2023:** Bruce Hagemann, Lilla Whiteside

**Class of 2024:** Holle Campbell, Perry Hodies, Dean Warden

**Announcement** There will not be Family Choir next week, the first Sunday in September because of the number of Covid cases in our community. We will revisit this again as we approach the first Sunday in October. We are thankful that Dean is still able to sing.

*From the Calendar of Commemorations*

<https://extranet.generalconvention.org/staff/files/download/19349>

August 29 John Bunyan, Writer, 1688

August 30 Charles Chapman Grafton, Bishop of Fond du Lac, and Ecumenist, 1912

August 31 Aidan, 651, and Cuthbert, 687, Bishops of Lindisfarne

September 1 David Pendleton Oakerhater, Deacon and Missionary, 1931 2 The Martyrs of New Guinea, 1942

September 3 Prudence Crandall, Teacher and Prophetic Witness, 1890 4 Paul Jones, 1941

September 4 Albert Schweitzer, 1965

*O God, who endowed your servant Albert Schweitzer with a multitude of gifts for learning, beauty, and service: Inspire your Church that we, following his example, may be utterly dedicated to you, that all our works might be done to your glory and the welfare of your people; through Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.*



# 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 houseguest 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 welcome our new rector, Reverend Donna Mote, who was recently installed at St Paul's.

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