



ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

“Historic Key West’s Church”

January 31, 2021, 8:30 a.m.

4th 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

Reflections on the Spirit

Joel Raney

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 and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully

hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

A Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy

(18:15-20)

Moses said: The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: “If I hear the voice of the Lord my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die.” Then the Lord replied to me: “They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak—that prophet shall die.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 111

Confitebur tibi

BCP 754

1 *Hallelujah!*

*I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, **
in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

2 *Great are the deeds of the Lord! **

they are studied by all who delight in them.

3 *His work is full of majesty and splendor, **
and his righteousness endures for ever.

4 *He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; **
the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.

5 *He gives food to those who fear him; **
he is ever mindful of his covenant.

6 *He has shown his people the power of his works **
in giving them the lands of the nations.

7 *The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; **
all his commandments are sure.

8 *They stand fast for ever and ever, **
because they are done in truth and equity.

9 *He sent redemption to his people;*
*he commanded his covenant for ever; **
holy and awesome is his Name.

10 *The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; **
those who act accordingly have a good understanding;
his praise endures for ever.

A Reading from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians

(8:1-13)

Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that “all of us possess knowledge.” Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; but anyone who loves God is known by him.

Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “no idol in the world really exists,” and that “there is no God but one.” Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as in fact there are many gods and many lords— yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. “Food will not bring us close to God.” We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn-#593 Lord, Makes Us Servants of Your Peace
All standing

Dickinson College

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

(1:21-28)

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus and his disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, “What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God.” But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!” And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, “What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.” At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

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 seasonable 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

Let us break bread together on our knees,
When I fall on my knees
with my face to the rising sun,
Oh, Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us praise God together on our knees,
When I fall down on my knees,
with my face to the rising sun,
Oh, Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together on our knees,
When I fall on my knees
with my face to the rising sun,
Oh Lord, have mercy on me

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.*

Organ Postlude Bourree and Minuet G. F Handel

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), Susanne Woods, Christian Swanson, Crystal Cates, and the entire Cates family, Tom Bond, Chuck Hammond and Joseph Lyles, the Curry family

Remember those who have died: Richard Curry

We Celebrate these January Anniversaries:

Dave and Irene Eyer	1/02	Mary and Dexter Simmons	1/25
Wendy Niven and Anthony Sperling	1/05	Denise and Keith Graham	1/30
Jerry and Barbara Poole	1/10	Susanne and Dean Schott	1/31
Jeff and Janet Carr	1/12	(this week in February)	
George and Julie Wallace	1/14	Susan & Brad Hahn Gilman	2/1
Percy and Betty Curry	1/20		

We Celebrate January Birthdays:

Lonnie Gordon	1/01	Elizabeth Curry	1/22
Faye Graniela	1/01	Ruth Lamere	1/22
Mark Whiteside	1/03	Juliette Hamilton	1/24
PK Lynch	1/09	Samantha Langdale	1/24
Phyllis Sweeting	1/09	Jeffrey Burnham	1/27
Nancy Campbell	1/11	Jeff Minalga	1/28
Perry Hodies	1/11	Julie Waters	1/28
Brittany Mariscal	1/14	Joshua McCloud	1/29
Virginia Butler	1/15	Carolyn Sangston	1/30
Bob Hicks	1/16	Lorraine Zimmerman	1/31
Sue Decker	1/17	(this week in February)	
Lew Ann Cahill	1/18	E.A. Jackson Morris	2/4
Barbara Poole	1/19	Donald R. Curry	2/6

Celebrant: Fr. Lenworth Haughton
Organist: Tim Peterson
Cantor: Dean Warden
Reader: Wendy Niven
Ushers: Kim Malgrat
Lilla Whiteside

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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>

SATURDAY MORNINGS, 9:00am– 11am. Help us beautify St Paul's with a list of projects that Jr. Warden Greta Ford has lined up. There is something for everyone to do, both inside and out. We wear our masks, social distance, and have a well-deserved time in fellowship with others.

MORNING AND EVENING PRAYER is being offered on Facebook Live at 7:30AM and 5:00PM on weekdays. Thanks to Bruce Hagemann, Lisa Laskow, Mary Simmons, Samantha Hall, and Sarah Hall for volunteering to officiate at these sacred moments.

To join in the prayers via Facebook, go to the church Facebook page at the appropriate time and look for the window showing that "St. Paul's Key West is now live." Then click on the window.

Please help us with a little housecleaning. As you leave worship this morning, please take your bulletin with you for recycling at home. There is also a small trash can at the end of the middle aisle in the narthex, as you leave the church.

“From the Organ” February edition will stream live on Facebook this Thursday, February 4, 2021 at noon. Tom Scheck, Dean Warden, Tim Peterson, and special guest, Linda Sparks (previous Director of Music/Organist at St Paul’s) will be playing. ALL previous “From the Organ” concerts can be found on our Youtube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdLSx6aMV5-BUV4xXEGOFsQ/videos> (or, from Youtube, search “From the Organ Tim Peterson”). We hope to see you there on Thursday.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The Vestry has designated today, Sunday, January 31, 2021 as the date for the annual meeting. It will be held at both the church sanctuary and via Zoom for qualified electors. For those 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 an 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.

If you are worshipping with us this morning, we ask that you remain seated. The meeting will begin directly following the service.

If you are joining us via Zoom, you have previously been given the meeting ID and passcode. Please log-in directly following worship. You will be placed in a waiting room until the meeting is ready to begin.

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.

