



Vincent van Gogh, The Sower

# ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

"Historic Key West's Church"

June 13, 2021, 8:30 a.m.

3rd Sunday after Pentecost

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 the 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**

**Gather Us In**

John Behnke

## **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**

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

*The people sit.*

### **The First Reading**

A Reading from the prophet Ezekiel

*(17:22-24)*

Thus says the Lord God:

I myself will take a sprig  
from the lofty top of a cedar;  
I will set it out.

I will break off a tender one  
     from the topmost of its young twigs;  
 I myself will plant it  
     on a high and lofty mountain.  
 On the mountain height of Israel  
     I will plant it,  
 in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit,  
     and become a noble cedar.  
 Under it every kind of bird will live;  
     in the shade of its branches will nest  
     winged creatures of every kind.  
 All the trees of the field shall know  
     that I am the Lord.  
 I bring low the high tree,  
     I make high the low tree;  
 I dry up the green tree  
     and make the dry tree flourish.  
 I the Lord have spoken;  
     I will accomplish it.

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

**Psalm 92:1-4,11-14**

**BCP720**

*Bonum est confiteri*

- 1 It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord, \**  
*and to sing praises to your Name, O Most High;*
- 2 To tell of your loving-kindness early in the morning \**  
*and of your faithfulness in the night season;*
- 3 On the psaltery, and on the lyre, \**  
*and to the melody of the harp.*
- 4 For you have made me glad by your acts, O Lord; \**  
*and I shout for joy because of the works of your hands.*
- 11 The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, \**  
*and shall spread abroad like a cedar of Lebanon.*
- 12 Those who are planted in the house of the Lord \**  
*shall flourish in the courts of our God;*
- 13 They shall still bear fruit in old age; \**  
*they shall be green and succulent;*

*14 That they may show how upright the Lord is, \*  
my Rock, in whom there is no fault.*

## **The Second Reading**

A Reading from the 2nd letter to the Corinthians

*(5:6-10,[11-13],14-17)*

We are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord-- for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

[Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you.] For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

**Sequence Hymn-#296 We Know that Christ is Raised and Dies No More**      *Engelburg*

We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.  
Embraced by death, he broke its fearful hold,  
and our despair he turned to blazing joy. Alleluia!

A new creation comes to life and grows  
as Christ's new body takes on flesh and blood.  
The universe, restored and whole, will sing: Alleluia!

*The congregation is asked not to sing.*

## **The Gospel**

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

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

*(4:26-34)*

*People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the

head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.”

He also said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.”

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

**Sermon**

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

*Silence follows the sermon.*

*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 III**

**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 Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion); Saint John, Harbour Island; Historic Saint Agnes, Miami.

*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;

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

Give to the departed eternal rest;

*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.*

## **Confession of Sin**

Celebrant: 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;  
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.*

## **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**

**Amazing Grace**

Dean Warden, cantor (words on back page)

setting by Craig Courtney

## **The Holy Communion**

*All standing*

**Eucharistic Prayer B**

**BCP367**

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, 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:

*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 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 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,

*Celebrant and People*



*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 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.*

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**

*The celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

*Then may be sung or said*

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: *Therefore let us keep the feast!*

*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.*

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*All stand*

**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 in 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**

## **Postlude on “St. Dunstan’s”**

Douglas Wagner

**Remember in Your Prayers Today:** Brittany (Sherri Hodies’ daughter), Beth and Jon Peterson (sister-in-law and brother of Tim), Al (Kitty Roberts’ partner), Peter Nanos, Joseph Lyles, David Sweeting, Carolyn Sangston, Monica (Kitty Roberts’ daughter), Gina, Sandy Highsmith, Carla Harper (sister of Joseph Lyles), Fran Lepine (friend of Joseph), Judy Denton Ping, Ken Reed

**Remember those who have died:** Gina Delisio (friend of Joseph Lyles), Dottie Clifford

## **We Celebrate these June Anniversaries this week:**

William & Carol Wilusz McBride	06/04	David & Phyllis Sweeting	06/17
Juan & Joan Sammy Mayancela	06/08	Susan & Damon Byrd	06/23
Bill & MaryCarlin Porter	06/08	Ivan & Sheri Sampson Stanke	06/27
Stephen & Jackie Gahan	06/12		

## **We Celebrate these June Birthdays this week:**

Holle Campbell	06/02	Millicent Mario	06/13	Carole Fauth	06/26
Miles Mungall	06/07	Rachel Sweeting	06/14	Charles Percy Curry	06/27
Ray Warren	06/07	Stephen Graniela	06/17	Barry Hitch	06/30
Irene Eyer	06/08	Anne Shaver	06/19	Julia Pischke	06/30
Erin Kracht	06/08	John Benson	06/25		
Sylvia Halldorson	06/10	David Eyer	06/26		

**Celebrant:** The Rev. Donna S. Mote, PhD  
**Organist:** Tim Peterson  
**Cantor:** Dean Warden  
**Reader:** Lilla Whiteside  
**Ushers:** Greta Ford  
Ray Warren

**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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Saturday mornings, 9:00am– 11:00am.** 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. During May, we received a challenge from one of our parishioners to raise \$8,000.00! If we raised \$4,000.00, they would match the amount! We raised \$5655.00. With the \$4000.00 match, we have \$9655.00 for the "re-lighting" of the windows in the Sanctuary. The plan is to replace all of the florescent lights backing the stained glass windows with LED fixtures, replacing the light fixtures at the entrance to the Church on Duval Street; finishing the lighting/sprinkler system in the Garden and erecting the new Flag Pole (paid for with the last challenge). Thank you to all for such a successful mini-fundraiser. And thank you to our anonymous matching donor.

**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.

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Amazing grace, how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me,  
I once was lost, but now I'm found;  
Was blind, but now I see.  
So vast and yet so free!  
The Son of God, the righteous One,  
Is crucified for me.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
And grace my fears relieved;  
How precious did that grace appear,  
The hour I first believed  
So vast and yet so free!  
The Son of God, the righteous One,  
Is crucified for me.

Through many dangers, toils and snares,  
I have already come;  
'tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,  
And grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years,  
Bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise  
Than when we'd first begun.  
So vast and yet so free!  
The Son of God, the righteous One,  
Is crucified for me.

