



WELCOME TO ST. PAUL'S!

Wherever you are in the world or on your life's journey, we are glad you chose to worship with us today. If you are new to St. Paul's, please fill out our welcome card in the pew rack in front of you or online: stpauls-church.org/visit. A member of the clergy will reach out to get to know you and welcome you into our community. For more information, contact the Rev. Jeanne Leinbach, at (216) 932-5815, or jleinbach@stpauls-church.org.

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Check out our soft-space! Families with young children are invited to join other families in the front rows on the lectern side, where you'll find an area of soft rugs, low seating, and quiet activities with easy access to the exit and restroom.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING YOUTH FORMATION AND CHILDCARE

In-person church school for children 6th grade and under has been cancelled until the vaccine is available for children ages 5-11.

Beginning next week, Lauren Dockery, Director of Children's and Youth Ministries, will send out a video each week with a Godly Play lesson and will hold Workshop Adventures (4th-6th grade) by Zoom at 11:00 am on Sundays.

The following groups will continue to meet in person in the third floor youth rooms:

Rite 13 (7th and 8th grade),
J2A (9th - 12th grade)

Childcare for toddlers and infants has been suspended out of an abundance of caution.

TODAY

In the Adult Forum

10 a.m., Tucker Hall

Serving and Scripture. In this week's Forum, we'll continue exploring our new identity statement: 'Seeking, Serving, Loving. *Together.*' Having focused on 'Seeking' the last few weeks, we now turn our sights to 'Serving.' In this first of a three-part discussion, we'll look at 'Serving' through the lens of Scripture. How do the great narratives of the Bible inform our call to serve as a Christian community? How do they help us live out our baptismal promise to "serve Christ in all persons"? Are we prepared to embrace Jesus' radical call to be "last of all and servant of all?" Join us as we unearth the riches of our new identity statement *together*.

FLOWERS TODAY

The flowers today are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Mayhew and Arthur Merriman by their family, and in loving memory of James B. Naylor V by Elaine & Sam, Sarah & Rice, and Dale & Jim Naylor

Did you know that... during the months of remote worship and programming, children and youth ministries kept on going, including an online play with 15 youth, weekly virtual Sunday school for all ages, craft bags every 6 weeks for all Godly Play children, Advent and Lent craft bags for all families, care packages and graduation presents for high school seniors, bibles for 4th graders, weekly virtual children's choir rehearsals, and a youth trip to Harlan, Kentucky? Phew!

Take Note

N. B. White Gallery Fall Show & Reception

Friday, October 15, 5 p.m., South Wing

This fall, be sure to view the original works by artists Charlotte Lees, Tom Jackson, and Amy Lewandowski. The show will include oil paintings, watercolors, and wooden organ pipes, enhanced with mixed media. An artists' reception and opening will take place on Friday, October 15, from 5 to 6:30 p.m. The gallery is now open through January 23.



Young Adult Gathering

Sunday, October 17, 12:30 p.m.

All St. Paul's young adults (folks in their 20s/30s) are invited to join us in celebrating the beginning of fall. We're going to Mulberry Corners Pumpkin Patch (11591 Chillicothe Road, Chesterland, Ohio 44026) where there are pumpkins to pick out, mums, face painting, and more, followed by an Apple Cider Reception at the home of Pegah Zardoost. If you'd like to meet us at Mulberry Corners, we'll be there by 1:15 p.m. Please RSVP to Pegah at pegah.zardoost@gmail.com. Rain date will be Sunday, October 24.

Jazz Vespers

Sunday, October 24, 5 p.m.

The Cleveland Jazz Orchestra, led by parishioner Paul Ferguson, in collaboration with the Children and Youth Choirs will present a Vespers service. A mainstay of St. Paul's, this service will feature original works by Paul Ferguson and favorite hymns.



Tutoring at Roxboro Elementary

Help us make a difference in the lives of students at Roxboro Elementary School. The need is particularly great right now, as many students have fallen behind in the pandemic. Slots are available each day of the week to mentor students in K-5th grade. All volunteers must be vaccinated and will need to complete a background check. Contact Rev. Brandon (bashcraft@stpauls-church.org) or Julie Micheletti (michelettijulie@gmail.com) with questions or to volunteer.

Herb Harvest Sale Help Needed

The 2021 Herb Harvest Sale is coming to Tucker Hall on Sunday, November 14! In past years, many of you have graciously made preserves, breads, and other items for the sale which supports beautifying the gardens of St. Paul's. We welcome your offerings again this year! If you make a special preserve, consider sharing a few extra jars for our sale using 4- or 8-ounce mason jars with sealable lids for safe storage and uniform pricing. If you'd like to join the baking crew, Susan Blackwell (susanmblackwell@hotmail.com) has baking pans, recipes, and wraps. We are also interested in your new product ideas or specialties that would enhance our product list. Contact Julie Micheletti for more information: michelettijulie@gmail.com

Calendar Highlights

Yoga Class

Monday, October 11, 5:30 p.m. Tucker Hall

Holy Eucharist at Judson Park

Wednesday, October 13, 11 a.m.

Holy Eucharist

Wednesday, October 13, 6 p.m., St. Martin's Chapel

Men's Spirituality

Thursday, October 14, 7:30 a.m., Virtual

Contemplative Prayer

Friday, October 15, 10 a.m., Virtual

ACT II Jumble Sale

October 15 to 16, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Tucker Hall

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YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED

For the week of October 10, 2021, we bid your prayers for the following:

In our Parish Cycle of Prayer: Please pray for the life of this parish, including the Handbell Choir; and for our partnership in prayer with St. Clare of Assisi, Ocean View, South Africa.

May they be guided for faithful service.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Please pray for the Cuyahoga mission area: St. Paul's Church, Cleveland Heights; Church of the Ascension, Lakewood; and St. Peter's Church, Lakewood.

May they grow in their knowledge of the Lord.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Please pray for The Church of the Province of West Africa. *May we be united in Christ's mission.*

In the Ecumenical Prayer Cycle: Please pray for our sister and brother Christians in Costa Rica, El Salvador, Nicaragua, and Panama.

May we all be one.

For those with birthdays this week, including Tom Austin, William Chilcote, Connor O'Hearn, Anna Zipp, Julia Cohen, Liz Patterson, Angie Thompson, CJ Musser, Julia Cohen, Bill Ganger, Eric Baud, Paul Bosley, Gail Applegate, Bill Conway, and Dick Hollington.

May they grow in wisdom and grace.

For those with anniversaries this week, including Judy & Ed Stevens, Kathleen & Glenn DeBoer, Elizabeth & Tres Roeder, and Lindsay & Charlie Jones. *May they grow in unity and love.*

For parishioners and friends serving with the Armed Forces: Charles Bates, Ian Beckles, Sabah Bhat, Adam Bush, Nelson Cancel, Evan Collier, Zack Dalbom, Michael DeBoer, Joseph Dokken, D'Angelo Hanley, Kate Heflin, Christopher Hockey, Kurt Huxel, Isabelle King, Robert King, Lauren Levy, Charles LoPresti, Brendan Mackin, Jess Smith Olena, Jonah Petrinovic, Neil Princic, Eric Schmidt, KJ Schopp, Ross Skilling, Ryan Skilling, Eric Super, Sam Ubersax, Dylan Underwood, Scott Waizmann, Daniel Webster, Evan Wieczorek, James Zoebisch; and for their families here at home.

May they serve in safety and with honor.

For those who are ill or are experiencing difficult circumstances: Joyce, Ella, Natasha, Robin, Giulia, Sarah, John, Bob, Brian, Bob, Stacey, Jenifer, Poleda, Amy, Hank, David, Aaron, Matthew, Rachel, Meg, Bonnie, Margaret, Sue, Jim, John, Stanley, Terrilee, Patience, Kathleen, Marie, and John.

May they be relieved from their distress.

For those who have died. *May they rest in peace and rise in glory.*

You are encouraged to take Sunday Notes home and use this prayer sheet in your personal prayers.

If you are celebrating a birthday or anniversary this week and do not see your name listed, we may not have your information in our database. Please contact Jenni Thomas at (216) 932-5815 or jthomas@stpauls-church.org.

Today's Readings

Amos 5:6-7,10-15

Seek the Lord and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground! They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth. Therefore, because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins— you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate. Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time. Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

Hebrews 4:12-16

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Mark 10:17-31

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible." Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age— houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

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OCTOBER 10, 2021 — THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, OHIO

MORNING PRAYER

11:15 a.m.

*The Officiant
welcomes the
People*

PRELUDE 'When in our music God is glorified'
St. Paul's Handbell Choir

Anna Laura Page

Stand HYMN No. 680 'O God, our help in ages past'

St. Anne

OPENING SENTENCE OF SCRIPTURE

Officiant Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me, and bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling. - *Psalm 43.3*

CONFSSION OF SIN

Kneel or stand *Officiant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

All **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.

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

People **Amen.**

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

All standing *Officiant* Lord, open our lips.
People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

All **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

INVITATORY PSALM Venite *Psalm 95:1-7*

S37; Stephen Elvey

- 1 Come, let us sing to the Lord; *
 let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
- 2 Let us come before his presence with thanks giving *
 and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.
- 3 For the Lord is a great God, *
 and a great King above all gods.
- 4 In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *
 and the heights of the hills are his also.
- †5 The sea is his, for he made it, *
 and his hands have molded the dry land.
- 6 Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
 and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
- 7 For he is our God,
 and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *
 Oh, that to day you would hearken to his voice!

Sit

THE PSALM APPOINTED

Psalm 90:12-17

*Sung by
the choir*

- 12 So teach us to number our days *
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.
- 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 afflicted us *
and the years in which we suffered adversity.
- 16 Show your servants your works *
and your splendor to their children.
- 17 May the graciousness of the LORD our God be upon us; *
prosper the work of our hands;
prosper our handiwork.

*The Lessons
may be found
on the back of
Sunday Notes*

FIRST LESSON

Amos 5:6-7,10-15

Reader People

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

Stand

CANTICLE 13 'A Song of Praise' *Benedictus es, Domine*

S236, John Rutter

1. Glo - ry to you, _____ Lord
God of our fa - thers; _____ you are wor - thy of praise;
glo - ry to you. 2. Glo - ry to you _____
for the ra - diance of your ho - ly Name; we will
praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

3. Glo - ry to you _____ in the splen - dor of your
tem - ple; _____ on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to
you. 4. Glo - ry to you, _____ seat - ed bet -
ween the Cher - u - bim; we will praise you and
high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

5. Glo - ry to you, _____ be -
hold - ing the depths; in the high vault of
depths; in the high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to
heav - en. 6. Glo - ry to you, _____
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will
Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will praise you and
high - ly ex - alt you Glo - ry to you!
high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

Sit

SECOND LESSON

Hebrews 4:12-16

Reader ... Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Stand

CANTICLE 16 'The Song of Zechariah' *Benedictus Dominus es* S248, Bruce E. Ford

Antiphon

In the ten - der com - pas - sion of our God
the dawn from on high shall break up - on us.

1. Bless - ed be the Lord, the God of Is - ra - el; he has come to his peo - ple and set them free. 2. He has raised up for us a mighty sa - vior, born of the house of his ser - vant Da - vid. 3. Through his holy prophets he promised of old, that he would save us from our en - e - mies, from the hands of all who hate us. 4. He prom - ised to show mercy to our fa - thers and to remember his ho - ly cov - e - nant. 5. This was the oath he swore to our father A - bra - ham, to set us free from the hands of our en - e - mies, 6. Free to worship him with - out fear, holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life. 7. You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to pre - pare his way. 8. To give his people knowledge of sal - va - tion by the for - give - ness of their sins. 9. In the tender compassion of our God the dawn from on high shall break up - on us, 10. To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, and to guide our feet in - to the way of peace. [Ant.] (Gloria Patri may be omitted) 11. Glo - ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spi - rit: 12. As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ev - er. A-men. [Ant.]

Sit

THIRD LESSON

Mark 10:17-31

Reader ... Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

THE SERMON

The Rev. John Kennedy

Stand

THE APOSTLES' CREED

All **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth.**
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
 **He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
 and born of the Virgin Mary.**
 **He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried.**
 **He descended to the dead.
 On the third day he rose again.**
 **He ascended into heaven,
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**
 He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic Church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS

Officiant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Officiant Let us pray.

All **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.**

SUFFRAGES A

Officiant Show us your mercy, O Lord;
People **And grant us your salvation.**

Officiant Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
People **Let your people sing with joy.**

Officiant Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
People **For only in you can we live in safety.**

Officiant Lord, keep this nation under your care;
People **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

Officiant Let your way be known upon earth;
People **Your saving health among all nations.**

Officiant Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
People **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

Officiant Create in us clean hearts, O God;
People **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Officiant Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

A COLLECT FOR SUNDAYS

Officiant O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The People sit as the Rector makes announcements.

THE OFFERING

The ushers will collect a financial offering to support the mission and ministry of St. Paul's. All are invited to make a gift to support the mission and ministry of St. Paul's by texting "StPaulsCle" to 73256 or by visiting our online portal: onrealm.com/StPaulsCle/give/now

ANTHEM "Come down, O Lord divine" *William Harris*

THE DOXOLOGY

Old 100th

*Stand as the
offerings are
presented*

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow
Praise God, all creatures here below
Praise God above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost*

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader Christ calls us to a life of peace and humility. Let us pray for strength to live this baptized life, saying: **Savior, have mercy.**

For all the people of God, that as followers of Jesus they may draw others to the gospel's treasure of eternal life, let us pray to our Savior.

People **Savior, have mercy.**

Leader For all in authority in nation and church, that they may learn humility, let us pray to our Savior.

People **Savior, have mercy.**

Leader For all countries at war, that the peace of Christ may come among them, and for all who suffer the ravages of wartime, that they may find comfort and refuge, let us pray to our Savior.

People **Savior, have mercy.**

Leader For all who minister in this and in every Christian community, that they may find strength for their tasks, let us pray to our Savior.

People **Savior, have mercy.**

Leader For all children, that they may be welcomed, fed, housed, and loved and may grow with self-confidence and joy, let us pray to our Savior.

People **Savior, have mercy.**

Leader For all in any need, the sick, the suffering, the oppressed and the refugee; and for those who serve others against their own will, let us pray to our Savior.

People **Savior, have mercy.**

Leader For all the saints who have entered into joy and now serve around your heavenly throne, that we may one day join them in a life of unending praise and service, let us pray to our Savior.

People **Savior, have mercy.**

Celebrant God of truth, receive the prayers we offer you this day and make us ready to serve others in true compassion and humility. This we ask in the name of your Son, who for our sake became last of all and servant of all.

People **Amen.**

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

All standing *All*

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

HYMN No. 408 'Sing praise to God who reigns above'

Mit Fruden zart

THE GRACE

<i>Officiant</i>	Let us bless the Lord.
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God.
<i>Officiant</i>	May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. - <i>Romans 15:13</i>
<i>People</i>	Amen.

The celebration of Holy Communion immediately follows the hymn in St. Martin's Chapel. Please join us for Communion by coming to the pews in the chapel. If you wish to leave directly following Morning Prayer, please do so quietly and hold conversations outside the Nave.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

Bread and wine are set on the Altar and the offerings are collected.

Celebrant All things come of you, O Lord.
People **And of your own have we given you.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Eucharistic Prayer 1, Enriching Our Worship*

<i>Celebrant</i>	God be with you.
<i>People</i>	And also with you.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Lift up your hearts.
<i>People</i>	We lift them to the Lord.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
<i>People</i>	It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. 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, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we say:

All

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

Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

*Remain
standing or
kneel*

Celebrant

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine.

By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Celebrant Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

People **AMEN.**

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All **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.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. *Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.*

THE ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

Sit

Wherever you find yourself on your journey of faith, you are welcome at God's table.

The ushers will direct the People to the Altar rail for the administration of Communion. The sacrament will be served "in one kind" - the Bread only. The doctrine of concomitance, an ancient teaching of the church, holds that the full grace of the sacrament is received in either kind. Gluten-free wafers are available. Simply let the priest know that you need one. If you do not wish to receive Communion but would like to receive a blessing, you can indicate this to the priest by crossing your arms over your chest.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

All standing *Celebrant* Let us pray.

All **Almighty and everliving God,**
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of Christ,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Savior.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

BLESSING

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve Jesus Christ our Savior.
People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE An Improvisation

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