



St. Paul's Episcopal Church

Seeking to see and serve Christ in all persons

The First Sunday after Pentecost

Trinity Sunday

May 31st, 2026 • 10:30 AM

Holy Eucharist Rite II

The service begins on page 355 of The Book of Common Prayer & is printed in its entirety here. Hymns are located in the Blue Hymnal.

The Opening Voluntary *Two settings on Nicaea* Burkhardt and Callahan

The Processional Hymn *Holy, holy, holy!* Hymnal 362

The Welcome

The Liturgy of the Word

Please stand as you are able

The People say together

Blessed be God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

The Celebrant continues

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 Hymnal S 280

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

All may be seated.

The First Reading ~Genesis 1:1-2:4a

A reading from the Book of Genesis.

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

And God said, “Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

And God said, “Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, “Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.” And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

And God said, “Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

And God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.” So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.” And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, “Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.”

So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.” God said, “See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Psalm ~ 8

Sung by the Choir

- 1 O LORD our Governor, *
how exalted is your Name in all the world!
- 2 Out of the mouths of infants and children *
your majesty is praised above the heavens.
- 3 You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, *
to quell the enemy and the avenger.
- 4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, *
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
- 5 What is man that you should be mindful of him? *
the son of man that you should seek him out?
- 6 You have made him but little lower than the angels; *
you adorn him with glory and honor;
- 7 You give him mastery over the works of your hands; *
you put all things under his feet:
- 8 All sheep and oxen, *
even the wild beasts of the field,
- 9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, *
and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.
- 10 O LORD our Governor, *
how exalted is your Name in all the world!

The Second Reading ~ 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

A reading from Paul's second letter to the Corinthians

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel ~ Matthew 28:16-20

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon

Father Winston Arthur

A period of silent prayer.

The Nicene Creed

Please stand as you are able. All say together.

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 worshipped 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 VI

Please kneel as you are able

Intercessor In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

Intercessor For all people in their daily life and work;
**People For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who
 are alone.**

Intercessor For this community, the nation, and the world;
People For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Intercessor For the just and proper use of your creation;
People For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Intercessor For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
**People For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the
 needy.**

Intercessor For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
People For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Intercessor For Sean, our Presiding Bishop, Robert, our Bishop, Winston, our
Rector, and for all bishops and other ministers:

People For all who serve God in his Church.

Intercessor For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.
We pray for our Vestry members: Jeff, Mark, Nick, Anne, Nikki,
Sarah, Katie, Elizabeth, and Bill

We pray for those celebrating birthdays this week, especially
Renee, Cathy, Alice Ann, Karin, Anne, Terri, Stephen, and Sarah

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Intercessor Hear us, Lord;
People **For your mercy is great.**

Intercessor We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

Intercessor We will exalt you, O God our King;
People **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

Intercessor We pray for all who have died, especially Wilkins and Patricia that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Intercessor Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
People **Who put their trust in you. Amen.**

Celebrant concluding Collect

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All say together

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 continues

The Absolution

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

The Announcements

The Blessings and Thanksgivings

The Offertory Sentence

The Holy Communion

The Offertory Anthem *For the Beauty of the Earth* Arr. Davis

The Presentation Hymn *Thou, whose almighty word* Hymnal 371

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A

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.**

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 with your co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, you are one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Being; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of you, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Sanctus

Hymnal S 129

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent

Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to 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 he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.

The Great Amen

S 146



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

People and Celebrant

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

A period of silence is kept.

The Fraction Anthem

Hymnal S 154

Holy Communion is offered via the common cup for sipping or intinction (dipping the wafer into the wine). A mobility-impaired individual can receive communion at your seat by raising your hand. Gluten-free wafers are available and will be served by the vergers behind the altar. Please approach the gluten-free station by walking around on the right side to the back of the altar.

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 Communion Anthem

King of Glory, King of Peace

Scott

The Communion Hymn

O Master let me walk with thee

Hymnal 660

The Lay Eucharistic Prayer

Please kneel as you are able. Celebrant and People

In the name of this community of St. Paul's, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood. We who are many are one body because we all share one bread, one cup. Amen.

The Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

Please continue kneeling as able. Celebrant and People

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 Blessing

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The Closing Hymn

Love divine all loves excelling

Hymnal 657

The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God.

The Closing Voluntary

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Hamlin

Service Participants

Vestry Person of the Week

Jeff Lawhead

Vergers

Mike Scott & Brother Massesburg

Eucharistic Ministers

Carol Bowling and Sarah Camp

Acolytes

Jaden Reynolds (1st), Sydney Pape (2nd), Lucy Thrift, and David Pape (Torchbearers)

Prayer Intercessors

Lou Graner and Mary Frances Honea

Reader(s)

Dean Eelman

Ushers

Mike Scott, Brother Massenburg, Daryl Jones

Altar Guild

Kathy Ellison & Renee Powell

Flower Guild

Louise Howard

Coffee Hour

Elizabeth Pape

Java

Jennifer Jones

Remember in your prayers:

From The Daughters of the King: Gracious God, source of all joy and light, fill our hearts with the gladness of your presence. Help us to delight in your goodness, to share your love with others, and to find joy even in the ordinary. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

We pray for those with timely concerns: Sadie Jordan, Ryan Olsan, Paul Moss, Zac West, Bob Williams, Carla Brown, John Boothby, Daryl Jones, Heather Victorine, Jennifer Thomasson, the Matthews and King family, Betty Maddox, Pat Flanigan, Natalie, Sara-Belle, Carlos, Mallory, and anyone affected by the accident involving these Northgate students.

We pray for those with ongoing concerns: The Chunn family, the Francis Family, Kim Ramsey, Nancy Jaworski, Frank Moss, Margaret Jackson, C.R Phillips, Dennis Bouchard, Greg Parsons, Jason Reynolds, Greg Olsan, Dean Henderson, Paul Peatoy, Doug Connell, Brittany, Del, Don, Jerry Jones, Dianne Teer, Caroline Abbey, Eric Flock, Steve Edge, Sherry Cook, Dottie Woody, Ron Wilson, George Robinson, Ginny Lyles, Sherry Mark, Candy Waldron, Sam Candler, Sam, Daniel, and the Martin Family.

We pray for the members of the Vestry: Jeff, Mark, Nick, Anne, Nikki, Sarah, Katie, Elizabeth, and Bill, and for the Staff: Fr. Winston, David, Dawn, Geoff, Cole, Meg, Abbie, and Charlene.

We pray for our Community of Hope, Inc. Chaplains: Cleopatra Benjamin, Chris Borders, Bill & Dawn Harrison, Mary Frances Honea, Polly Hopkins, Katie McBride, Stan McMichael, Robyn Olsan, Linda Tudor, and Frank West.

We pray for members of our armed services and their families: Phillip Beatty, Ashlie Benjamin, Trey Bland, Linda Boyce, Kevin Bradley, Jacob Britt, Tom Choate, Joe Clay, Francis Cooper III, Morgen Davis, Luke Eason, Arron Essex, Cameron Everett, Alex Eversoll, Victoria Eversoll, Adam Harrison, Dariel Johnson, Stephen Malcom, Beau Massenburg, Charles Mathews, Sean McGraw, David Norwood, Steven Puckett, David Robinson, Lanier Sealy, Zach Simkins, Sam Vermilyea, Luke White, Tommy White, Ryan Whitfield.

We give thanks for the lives of those celebrating birthdays this week, especially Renee Powell, Cathy Sandlin, Alice Ann Massenburg, Karin Francis, Anne Berry, Terrie Barker, Stephen Camp, and Sarah MacDonnell.

We pray for those who have died especially Wilkins Kirby and Patricia Karr. Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them. Amen.

Flower Donation:

This week's flowers were lovingly donated by Bob and Heather Heaberlin in thankfulness for all who serve with the Usher Ministry.

Parish Notices

If you are interested in making a flower donation, please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin as you go towards the Parish Hall. We are so grateful for the support.

Safe Church Training will be held today at 12 pm in the youth room. All are welcome to attend. Anyone who is interested in volunteering at St. Paul's, especially around VBS, is invited!

If you are in fourth grade and up, please consider becoming a youth reader! Youth read the Prayers of the People or Second Lesson, every other week. Please contact Lauren Gallagher at 770-846-3796 for more information.

The Parish Administrator will be out of the office **Monday, June 1st- Friday, June 5th.** There will be someone in the office for a few hours in the morning each day if there is an urgent matter. **Please note:** If you submit a check reimbursement request, it will not be printed until the following week

To view more of this week's notices and to access the sign-up links for activities, please scan the QR code below. To scan the QR code, open your phone's camera and point it at the code. Tap the link that appears on your screen.



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