



St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Port Townsend, Washington

Pentecost XX

Proper 23A



October 11, 2026
10:30 am

Welcome!

Whoever you are and wherever you find yourself on life's journey,
please enter and receive God's blessing.



If you are unfamiliar with worship in the Episcopal tradition,
simply relax and let the congregation help carry you in worship.



God's peace be with you this day and always.

10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II

We prepare for our worship together with a time of centering silence.

Bell – Silence – Bell

Prelude Music

Processional Hymn

Hymn #6 Christ whose glory fills the skies

The Liturgy of the Word

Presider: Blessed be God: most holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity.

People: **And blessed be God's Kingdom now and forever. Amen.**

Collect for Purity

Page 355 (Book of Common Prayer)

The Gloria

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The Collect of the Day

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Let us pray.

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. **Amen.**

First Lesson

Exodus 32:1-14

Psalms 106:1-6, 19-23

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Second Lesson

Philippians 4:1-9

Sequence Hymn

Hymn #515 Holy Ghost, dispel our sadness

The Gospel

Matthew 22:1-14

The Sermon

The Rev. Lynne Markova

Nicene Creed

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Prayers of the People

Leader: In faith, trusting in God's abundance, welcome, and grace; let us offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all creation.

Leader: God of grace, you have made abundant room for us in your household. Inspire your church to be a place of welcome, generosity, and love. We thank you for the resources you have entrusted to us, and we pray for wisdom to use them in your service. Lord in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: God of love, you bind us together in relationships of care and compassion. Strengthen the bonds within this congregation and inspire us to welcome our neighbors as we would welcome you. Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: God of faith, you invite us to respond with gratitude for all your gifts. Bless all who service in stewardship ministries at St. Paul's and this stewardship campaign, that our pledges of time, talent, and treasure may be faithful signs of our trust in you. Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: God of mercy, your dwelling place has room for all who suffer. Be present with those who are sick, lonely, grieving, or in any kind of need or trouble. Strengthen them in faith and hope. We especially remember those we name now, either silently or aloud (*pause*). Surround them with your healing and your peace. Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: God of hope, you prepare a place for us in your eternal home. We remember before you those who have died, confident that they now rest in your embrace, remembering our own beloved dead, either aloud or in the silence of our hearts. Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

The Presider adds a concluding Collect.

Confession & Absolution (from *Enriching Our Worship*)

Presider: Let us confess our sins to God:

People: **God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

Presider: 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. **Amen.**

The Peace

Announcements

Blessings, Birthday & Anniversary Prayers (*found in the back inside cover of the BCP*)

Offertory Sentence

Presider: Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts. -
-- *Psalm 96:8*

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Choir Anthem

Offertory Hymn

Hymn #51 We the Lord's people

The Liturgy of the Table

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer 2 (Expansive Language Version)

Presider: All things come of you, O Lord.

People: **And of your own have we given you.**

<i>Celebrant</i>	<i>People</i>
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.	
<i>Celebrant</i>	<i>People</i>
Lift up your hearts. 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 him thanks and praise.	



Presider: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth.

For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

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:

Sanctus

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Presider: Holy and gracious God: 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 maker of all.

Jesus stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Savior 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 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 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:

All: Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Presider: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's 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 Christ. 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 Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.



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

The Lord's Prayer

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The Breaking of the Bread

The Fraction Anthem

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Presider: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Sharing the Feast *All are welcome to receive communion at Christ's table.*

Notes about receiving Communion: *The usher will direct you forward. The cup will be offered. If you do not wish to receive wine, cross your arms across your chest and the words "The blood of Christ, the cup of salvation" will be offered while the cup is held in front of you. If you would not like to receive bread or wine, but would like a blessing, cross your arms across your chest when in front of the priest. Please do not dip bread into the wine.*

Communion Hymns

Hymn #487

Come my Way, my Truth, my Life

Hymn #712

Dona nobis pacem

Post Communion Prayer

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

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Recessional Hymn

Hymn #556 (vs.1-4) Rejoice, ye pure in heart

Dismissal**Postlude***Fellowship time in the Parish Hall follows the service.*

**Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God
and in Memory of my loving husband, Fred Miller, married on October 14, 1961, by Marilyn Miller.**

Presider and Preacher	The Rev. Lynne Markova
Music Director	Jennifer Pipia
Lectors	Nicholas de Chadenedes Janet Goodwin
Eucharistic Minister	Nancy Budd-Garvan
Bread Baker	Peggy St. Clair
Technical Support	Barney Truman
Usher	Meso Tadeo
Altar Guild	Team 1
Coffee Hour	Last Names: G-L

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Mission Statement

St. Paul's mission is to be a Christ-centered haven and community of faith that worships in the beauty of the Episcopal tradition, celebrates and respects diversity and differences, proclaims God's call for peace and justice, and welcomes all to the table to receive strength for service in the world.

