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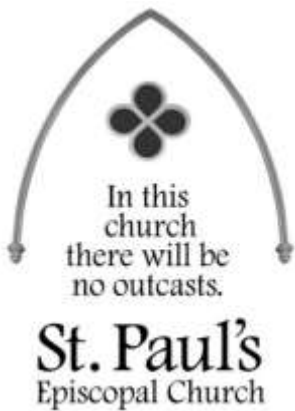
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THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST AUGUST 17, 2025

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I - 8:00 AM

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II - 9:30 AM

**In the name of Christ, we are truly
delighted to worship together.**

8:00 AM

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The Dismissal

9:30

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Johannes Brahms

THE WORD OF GOD

Gathering

Hymn 546

Awake, my soul, stretch every nerve

Siroë

Opening Acclamation

BCP, p. 355

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. 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 following song of praise is sung or said, all standing

**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.**

Proclaiming the Word

THE COLLECT

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The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 23:23-29

Am I a God near by, says the LORD, and not a God far off? Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the LORD. I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed, I have dreamed!" How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back-- those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the LORD. Is not my word like fire, says the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 82 *Sung by the cantor.*

- 1 God takes his stand in the council of heaven; *
 he gives judgment in the midst of the gods:
- 2 "How long will you judge unjustly, *
 and show favor to the wicked?
- 3 Save the weak and the orphan; *
 defend the humble and needy;

- 4 Rescue the weak and the poor; *
deliver them from the power of the wicked.
- 5 They do not know, neither do they understand;
they go about in darkness; *
all the foundations of the earth are shaken.
- 6 Now I say to you, 'You are gods, *
and all of you children of the Most High;
- 7 Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, *
and fall like any prince.'"
- 8 Arise, O God, and rule the earth, *
for you shall take all nations for your own.

SECOND READING**Hebrews 11:29-12:2**

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets-- who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented-- of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn 552 Fight the good fight with all thy might

Pentecost

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO Luke 12:49-56

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided:

father against son
and son against father,
mother against daughter
and daughter against mother,
mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law
and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

The Rev. Dr. Greg Welin

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

BCP, p. 387

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
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;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

St. Paul's Prayer List

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The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Confession and Absolution

BCP, p. 360

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

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.**

The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and 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

The Offertory

*Please place your offering in the basket as it is passed, or give [online](#). You may also scan the QR code on the back page of the bulletin to make a donation. **Please STAND as you are able as the gifts are brought forward in procession to the altar.***

Offertory Hymn 574 Before thy throne, O God we kneel St. Petersburg

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer C) BCP, p. 369

In this prayer, the lines in italics are spoken by the People.

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and says

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.
By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.
Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.
By his blood, he reconciled us.
By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Celebrant and People

**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

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, 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."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. *AMEN.*

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

The Lord's Prayer

BCP, p. 364

**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,
forever and ever. Amen.**

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Then may be sung or said

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

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.

We will be offering communion in both kinds (including wine). Although communion in one kind (bread only) is full and sufficient, those who wish to receive wine as well are invited to do so. You may request gluten-free wafers by turning your palms downward at the altar rail. Grape juice is also available and may be requested in the same way. If you do not wish to receive communion, please come to the altar for a blessing; this is indicated by crossing one's arms over the chest.

Communion Music "If with all your hearts" from *Elijah* Felix Mendelssohn
Text: Julius Schubring, 1806–1889

If with all your hearts ye truly seek me,
Ye shall ever surely find me,
Thus saith our God.
Oh! That I knew where I might find Him,
That I might even come before His presence!

A Prayer of Thanksgiving

BCP, p. 366

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

**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 your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Blessing

Hymn 490	I want to walk as a child of the light	<i>Houston</i>
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Birthdays, Anniversaries & Life's Milestones

Announcements

The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses the people

The Dismissal

Postlude	6 Short Preludes and Postludes, Op.101, no.2	C. V. Stanford
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THE ST. PAUL'S PRAYER LIST

Today, we pray for Fresh expressions of the church in Connecticut; missional experiments; Students preparing to enter schools, colleges, universities & seminaries.; The Scottish Episcopal Church; for our Presiding Bishop Sean and our Bishops Jeffrey and Laura.

We pray for peace and justice in our world, especially places of war and conflict. We pray for peace in Gaza, Israel, Sudan, Yemen, Ukraine, Russia, and the Democratic Republic of Congo. We pray for other concerns mentioned silently or aloud...

We offer other thanksgivings mentioned now silently or aloud...

We pray for those in any need or trouble, especially for George Szilagyi, Anne Waite, and those named now silently or aloud...

We pray for the departed: For those named now silently or aloud.....

The flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Susan Chevalier Mommsen, daughter of Richard and Beverly Chevalier.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME – and thank you for your presence and prayers today. Thank you to Darlene James for volunteering to play the organ at the 8:00. Thank you to Patti Cullen (8:00 crucifer/ intercessor), Charmaine Craggs (8:00 1st reading/2nd reading), Gene Gervais (8:00 usher), Linda Liversidge-Daley (9:30 crucifer/Minister of Communion), Carol Gervais (9:30 1st reading/Minister of Communion), Brian Sahlin (9:30 2nd reading), Amy Foster (9:30 intercessor) and Tammy Napoli (9:30 usher). Thank you to the Tech team for tech support.

Today, Sunday August 17th is Healing Prayer Sunday – please see Healing Prayer Team members with your prayer requests.

The Rev. Nathan Leach has been appointed Priest-in-charge at All Saints Episcopal Church in North Adams, Massachusetts, as well as serving as Curate at St John's Episcopal Church in Williamstown Massachusetts. You can contact him through <https://www.allsaintsberkshires.com/> and <https://stjohnswilliamstown.org/>
Congratulations to Nathan and all his new challenges and blessings!

Rector's Discretionary Fund – The Church has a small fund to help members in times of need, and we need to replenish it from time to time. On the first Sunday of the month, we will use any loose offering (offerings other than pledge income) to fund the account. There is also a new category for online giving for donations to the Discretionary Fund. It is especially appropriate to make small donations as gifts of thanks, and we often receive gifts for weddings, baptisms, or to give thanks for a loved one.

Summer Food Drives: No drive-thru food drives in our parking lot will be held during July and August. However, your donations for Master's Manna are greatly appreciated. Please leave them in the back of the church or by the office. We will be making deliveries to Master's Manna during the summer.

The church WILL NOT be open for prayer & reflection Wednesdays August 6th through Wednesday August 27th.

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Contact information for the Rev. Greg Welin – You may reach me in the office on most Wednesdays and Thursdays. It would be best to make an appointment to see me if you can. My email is rector@stpaulswallingford.org . In the event of an emergency, you may call my cell phone at 203 206 4802.

The Parish Office Summer Hours during August –The parish office is open to the public on Wednesdays and Fridays from 11AM-1:00PM during the summer. Please email or call the office at (203) 269-5050 to arrange any additional times to meet during the week. Calls, emails and other matters will generally be addressed during business hours of 9:00-1:00 Tuesday-Friday.

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