

St. Paul's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST

The Rev. Rev. George Adamik, Celebrant
The Rev. Javier E. Almendárez-Bautista, Homilist

HOLY EUCHARIST
9:00 A.M. SERVICE
SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

Prelude

Carol Yeargin, Organist

Processional

All Are Welcome

All Are Welcome

Marty Haugen

1. Let us build a house where love can dwell and
2. Let us build a house where prophets speak, and
3. Let us build a house where love is found in
4. Let us build a house where hands will reach be -
5. Let us build a house where all are named, their

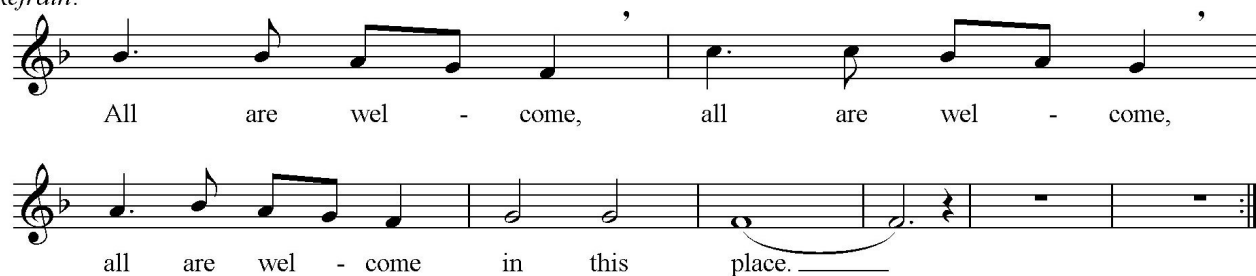
1. all can safe - ly _ live, a _ place where saints and
2. words are strong and _ true, where all God's chil - dren
3. wa - ter, wine and _ wheat: a _ ban - quet hall on
4. yond the wood and _ stone to _ heal and streng - then,
5. songs and vi - sions heard and _ loved and trea - sured,

1. chil - dren tell how hearts learn to for - give; built of
2. dare _ to _ seek to _ dream God's reign a - new. Here the
3. ho - ly _ ground, where peace and _ jus - tice meet. Here the
4. serve _ and _ teach, and _ live the _ Word they've known. Here the
5. taught _ and _ claimed as _ words with - in the Word. Built of

1. hopes and dreams and vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of
2. cross shall stand as wit - ness, and as sym - bol of God's
3. love of God, through Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and
4. out - cast and the stran - ger bear the im - age of God's
5. tears and cries and laugh - ter, prayers of faith and songs of

1. grace; here the love of Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
2. grace; here as one we claim the faith of Je - sus:
3. space, as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:
4. face; let us bring an end to fear and dan - ger:
5. grace, let this house pro - claim from floor to raft - er:

Refrain:



Liturgy of the Word

Opening Acclamation

The Celebrant says

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People

Glory to God for ever and ever.

The Celebrant says

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 is sung.

Gloria

Glory to God

Hymnal S278

(Organ)

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and

peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al - might - y God and

Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo -

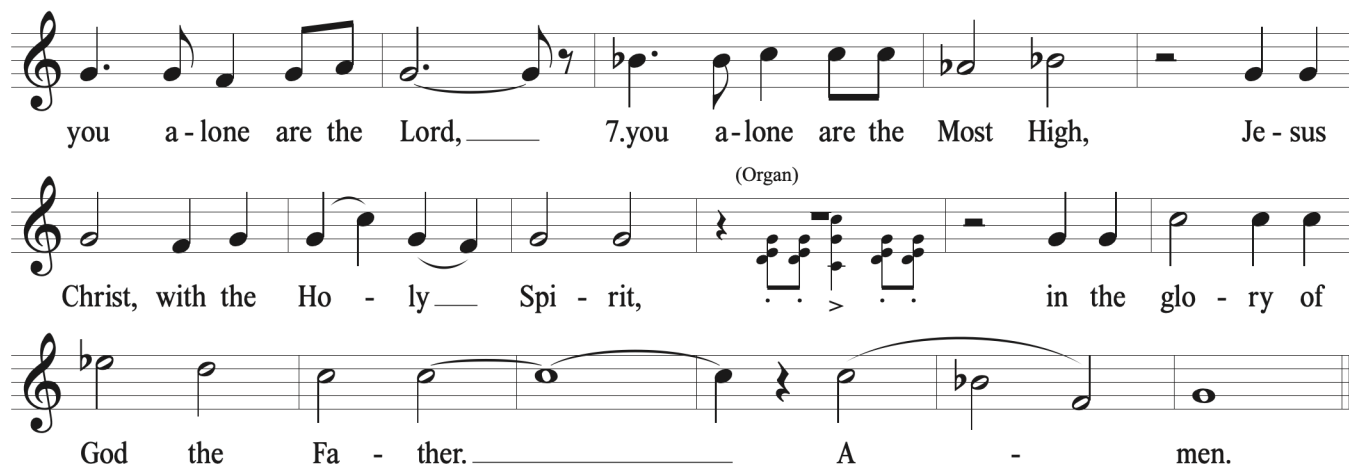
ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,

Lamb of God, 4. you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;

you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

(Organ)

6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,



Collect of the Day

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

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Children's Processional

All Things Bright and Beautiful (Verse 2)
Children's Chapel is for children 3 years old through 5th grade.

Hymn 405

First Reading

Isaiah 35:4-7a

A Reading from Isaiah.

Say to those who are of a fearful heart,
 'Be strong, do not fear!

Here is your God.
 He will come with vengeance,
 with terrible recompense.
 He will come and save you.'

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,
 and the ears of the deaf unstopped;

then the lame shall leap like a deer,
 and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.

For waters shall break forth in the wilderness,
 and streams in the desert;

the burning sand shall become a pool,
 and the thirsty ground springs of water.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
 People *Thanks be to God.*

The Psalm

Psalm 146

- 1 Hallelujah!
 Praise the LORD, O my soul! *
 I will praise the LORD as long as I live;
 I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.
- 2 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, *
 for there is no help in them.
- 3 When they breathe their last, they return to earth, *
 and in that day their thoughts perish.
- 4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! *
 whose hope is in the LORD their God;

- 5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; *
who keeps his promise for ever;
- 6 Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, *
and food to those who hunger.
- 7 The LORD sets the prisoners free;
the LORD opens the eyes of the blind; *
the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;
- 8 The LORD loves the righteous;
the LORD cares for the stranger; *
he sustains the orphan and widow,
but frustrates the way of the wicked.
- 9 The LORD shall reign for ever, *
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.
Hallelujah!

Second Reading

James 2:1-17

A Reading from James.

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it.

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People *Thanks be to God.*

Gradual

Father, We Praise Thee, Now the Night is Over

Hymn 1

Gospel

Mark 7:24-37

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter." So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

The Gospel of the Lord.
People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

Homily

The Rev. Javier E. Almendárez-Bautista

Nicene Creed

All who are able, stand.

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.

Prayers of the People

People's Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Confession of Sin

BCP 360

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All who are able, kneel. 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 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.*

Peace

BCP 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People *And also with you.*

Announcements

If you would like to donate online, follow the QR code found on the giving card in the back of the pews.

At the end of the announcements, you are also welcome to come forward to make a special donation to Heifer International, a non-profit organization whose mission is to end hunger and poverty, to mark an anniversary, blessing, or other event.

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory

Where Once There Lay Dragons
St. Paul's Choir

Offertory Response *All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own have we given Thee.*

Eucharistic Prayer I

Enriching Our Worship

The People remain standing.

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 God thanks and praise.*

The Celebrant proceeds.

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Celebrant and People

(organ)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, _____ heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry.

(organ)

Ho-san-na in the high - est. _____ Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. _____ Ho-san-na in the high - est. _____

The Celebrant continues

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:

Memorial Acclamation

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant then continues.

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.

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. **AMEN.**

The Celebrant then continues

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

Lord's Prayer

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.

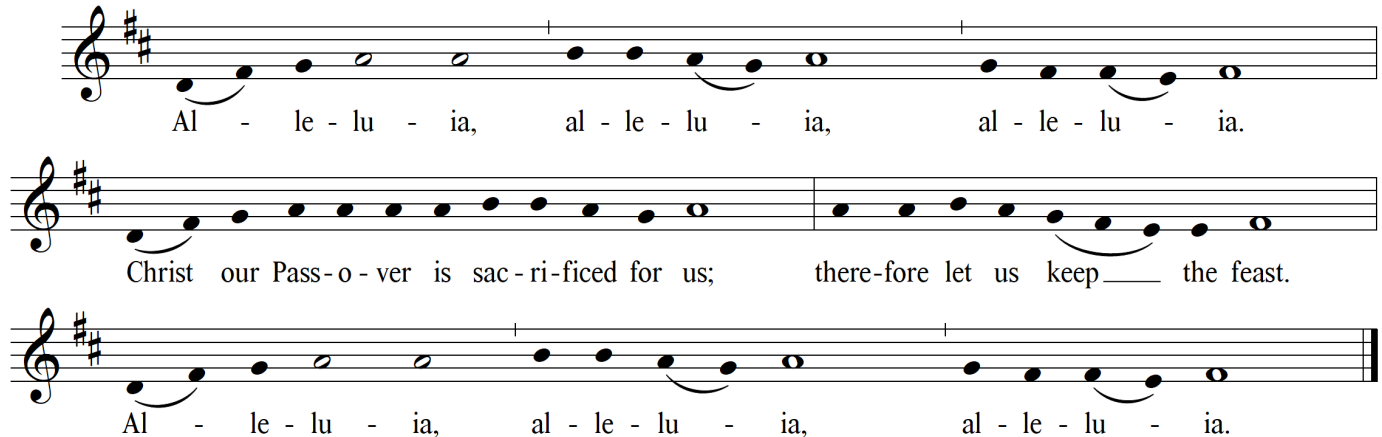
Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem

Christ Our Passover

Hymnal S154



Holy Communion

The Celebrant says

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.

All are welcome to come forward for communion, including children. Please follow the ushers' guidance as you come to the rail.

If you would like to receive the wine by intinction (dipping the bread in the cup), keep the bread in your hands and wait for the communion server to come to you.

If you would like to receive from the common cup (drinking from the cup directly), please consume the bread first and then make your way to the steps at the end of the rail. A communion server will be there with the common cup.

If it is not your custom to receive communion, you are still welcome to come forward for a blessing. Simply cross your arms across your chest and the minister will offer a prayer.

A priest is also available to provide prayers for healing in the back southwest corner of the church. Simply head to the back during communion distribution and wait for your turn.

If you are at home or otherwise unable to take communion, you may say the following prayer.

Spiritual Communion Prayer

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

The Communion Music

When Christ was Lifted from the Earth
Humbly I Adore Thee

Hymn 603
Hymn 314

Final Prayer

Celebrant and People

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food as we hear your Word proclaimed and gather at your holy Table. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

Recessional

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart (Vs. 1-5)

Hymn 557

Dismissal

Deacon

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Postlude

Carol Yeargin, Organist

The Altar flowers are given to the glory of God
and in memory of Pablo Fernando by the Belington family.

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St. Paul's Brass Ensemble
Emery Anderson & Melissa Raasch, trumpets
Barbara Prillaman, horn
Russell McKinney, bass trombone
All brass music arranged by Russell McKinney

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TODAY – SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

New to St. Paul's? Welcome! Please let us know you are here by filling out a visitor card in the pew. Stop by our Welcome Station in the narthex (lobby) to chat with Greeters and find materials that might help if you are new to St. Paul's or the Episcopal Church. Join a tour of our campus on the third Sunday of the month at 10 a.m. to learn more and meet others. Contact Mary Kintz, our Community Connector, at mary.kintz@stpaulscary.org to learn more about joining us!

Children's Chapel: Children ages 3 years old through 5th grade are invited to process to Children's Chapel during the 9 a.m. service and return to their families during announcements.

Coffee Hour (Parish Hall): Join us after the 9 a.m. service for a festive celebration of Children and Youth Ministries at St. Paul's as we kickoff another programming year. Meet our Sunday School teachers, enjoy some special treats and have fun with friends, old and new! The entire congregation is welcome to celebrate with us.

Adult Formation (Chapel, 10:15-11 a.m.): Plan to join us beginning Sept. 22 as we delve into the Book of Exodus, one of the foundational stories of Scripture, for our fall Sunday forums.

Children's Sunday School (Education Building): Classes begin next week, 10:15-11 a.m. Meet your teachers today!

Youth Sunday School (Youth Wing): Classes begin next week, 10:15-11 a.m. Meet your teachers today!

Episcopal Youth Community (EYC) and Pre-EYC: Resumes next week, Sept. 15. See announcements below.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pre-EYC Begins Sept. 15: Calling all 4th and 5th graders! Pre-EYC (Episcopal Youth Community) is a twice monthly gathering for 4th and 5th graders that builds church friendships through games, food and service. Pre-EYC is active in outreach, both here at church and in the community. Our first meeting is Sunday, Sept. 15, from 5-7 p.m. in the Parish Hall. We hope you'll bring a friend! For more info, contact Mother Alice at alice@stpaulscary.org.

First EYC (Episcopal Youth Community) Gathering Sept. 15: Rising 6th graders through 12th graders are invited to join St. Paul's EYC, which meets most Sunday evenings from 5-7 p.m. in the Youth Wing. EYC focuses on building a community for fellowship and faith using games, devotion and dinner together. Our first meeting on Sept. 15 will also include a meeting for parents to learn more about the year ahead. Please plan to join us and bring friends! Questions? Contact Youth Coordinator Ben Bricio at youth@stpaulscary.org.

Ministry Fair: Join us in the Parish Hall on Sept. 15 during coffee hour (10:15 a.m.) for a Ministry Fair. Representatives from many of our ministries will be on hand to share stories and answer questions about what they do and how you can get involved. This is a great way to visit with friends as you share coffee and stories, whether you are new, visiting or just looking to connect. Contact Sally Moller at sbm2@nc.rr.com if your ministry would like to participate.

Fall Book Study on "The Art of Dying Well - A Practical Guide to a Good End of Life" by Katy Butler: Please join us for a 9-week study of this informative and engaging book, meeting in the Youth Wing on Tuesdays from 2- 3:30 p.m., starting Sept. 24. Group size will be limited to facilitate discussion. If you have questions or would like to sign up, please contact Gerri Batchelor (gerrikairos@gmail.com) or Howard Loughlin (hloughlin@earthlink.net).

Mental Health First Aid Training: Mental Health First Aid is evidence-based training that teaches the signs of mental health or substance use challenges, how to offer and give help, and how to guide a person to care if needed. St. Paul's is hosting this professionally-led training on Oct. 12 from 9 a.m. -5 p.m. in the Youth Wing. Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Carolina is underwriting the costs of materials for the course; registration fee of \$20 covers lunch. We have thirty spots available for this training; more information is available online or by contacting Celia Hartnett at celiahartnett@gmail.com

Lobster Fest is LIVE! Now is the time to reserve your Maine delicacy for Oct. 5! More information about the menu and pricing is found on our webpage; advance ordering is the only way to ensure we will have what you want! While you're thinking about Oct. 5, please consider joining one of our many volunteer crews. It's such a fun way to get to know folks while helping raise funds for great projects. Questions? Contact Tad Richard at tadrichard@gmail.com.

Prayer List: Dave, Bob, Ann, Vickie, Ann, Laura, Margaret, Mary, Virginia, Doug, Guy, Katie, Cathy, Alan, Jessica, Sherry, John, Mary, Susan, Clarence, Susan, Mila, Florence, Ron, Liz, Noah, Sally, Chase, Anne, Heather, Ronnie, John, Janice, Kim, Chris, Bill, Dorothy, John, Randy, Nathanael, Becky, Mike, Nancy, Gail, Christy, Andi, the Lytvinnenko Family, John, Amy.

The prayer for the deceased, we pray for Janice Jackson.

If you have a name you would like to include on the prayer list, or a ministry event that you would like to announce in this printed bulletin, please send information to announcements@stpaulscary.org. Names included in the prayer list will remain for a month, and we are happy to extend at your request. Please note that there is a 2-week lead time on printed announcements.



St. Paul's Website