

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

The Rev. J. Carr Holland III, Celebrant The Rev. Marion Sprott, Homilist HOLY EUCHARIST 9:00 A.M. SERVICE NOVEMBER 17, 2024

Prelude Processional

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing **Liturgy of the Word** 

Carol Yeargin, Organist Hymn 686

Hymnal S278

# **Opening Acclamation**

The Celebrant says

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People

Gloria

Glory to God for ever and ever.

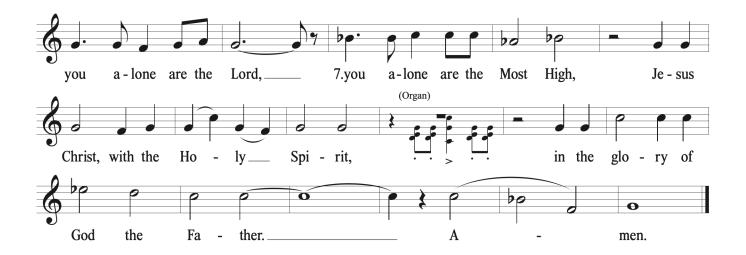
The Celebrant says

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*.

Glory to God

The following is sung.

(Organ) 1.Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and heaven - ly King, al - might - y peace to his peo-ple on earth. 2.Lord God, God and Fa - ther. we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise\_\_ you for your glo Christ, 3.Lord Je - sus on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, ry. Lamb of God, 4.you take a - way the of the world: have mer sin on us; seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive you are our prayer. 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.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever *Amen*.

Children's Processional

I Sing a Song of the Saints of God (Vs. 1)

Hymn 293

Children's Chapel is for children 3 years old through 5th grade.

# **First Reading**

Daniel 12:1-3

A Reading from Daniel.

The Lord spoke to Daniel in a vision and said, "At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever."

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

The Psalm Psalm 16

- 1 Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; \* I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."
- 2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, \* upon those who are noble among the people.
- 3 But those who run after other gods \* shall have their troubles multiplied.
- 4 Their libations of blood I will not offer, \* nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.
- O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; \* it is you who uphold my lot.
- 6 My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; \* Indeed, I have a goodly heritage.
- 7 I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; \* my heart teaches me, night after night.
- 8 I have set the LORD always before me; \* because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.

- 9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; \* my body also shall rest in hope.
- 10 For you will not abandon me to the grave, \* nor let your holy one see the Pit.
- 11 You will show me the path of life; \*
  in your presence there is fullness of joy,
  and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

# Second Reading

Hebrews 10:11-14 (15-18) 19-25

A Reading from Hebrews.

Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. [And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying,

"This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord:

I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds,"

he also adds,

"I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more."

Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.]

Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

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

Gradual The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns (Vs 1, 3 & 5) Hymn 73

Gospel Mark 13:1-8

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birthpangs."

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

Homily The Rev. Marion Sprott

# **Nicene Creed**

People

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 O Lord, How Do My Woes Increase Orlando Gibbons 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.

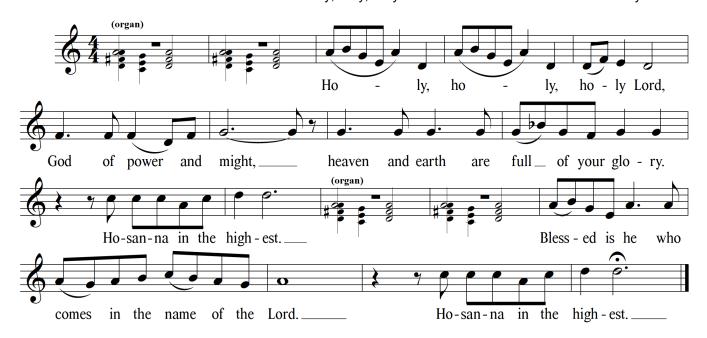
The Celebrant proceeds.

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



#### 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,

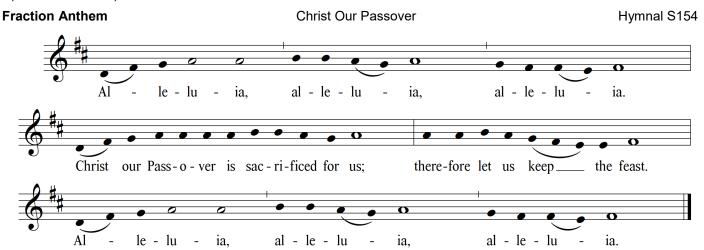
Lord's Prayer BCP 364

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.



# **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.

**Communion Music** 

Thou, Who at Thy First Eucharist Didst Pray My God, Thy Table Now is Spread Hymnal 315 Hymnal 321

# **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** All My Hope on God is Founded Hymnal 665

**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 thanksgiving for the 40th wedding anniversary of Gail and Ottis Cowper.

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# TODAY – NOVEMBER 17, 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. 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 (Narthex):** Hosted this week by the St. Nicholas Ministry. Join us after the 9 a.m. service for a quick cup of coffee before the Annual Meeting begins.

**Adult Formation (Chapel, 10:15-11 a.m.):** Sunday forums will resume the first Sunday of Advent, Dec. 1. We encourage you to attend the Annual Meeting this morning in the church.

**Children's Sunday School - 5th grade and under (Chapel):** Classes are gathering in the Chapel from 10:15-11 a.m. for a pageant rehearsal. All children are welcome, regardless of their involvement in the pageant.

Youth Sunday School - 6th-12th grade (Youth Wing): Classes are meeting from 10:15-11 a.m.

**Episcopal Youth Community (EYC):** Meets this evening for our 2nd Annual Friendsgiving Potluck, from 5-7 p.m. in the Youth Wing.

Pre-EYC (4th and 5th graders): Meets this evening for fellowship and card making from 5-7 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

# **PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Annual Meeting Today:** Plan to join us in the church at 10:15 a.m. for St. Paul's Annual Meeting and vestry election. Hear from the wardens about what lies ahead in this time of transition and learn how the diocese is working with us to plan a vision for our future. Information about vestry candidates is posted and available in the narthex.

**Pledge for 2025 - Celebrations and New Beginnings:** Have you made a financial commitment to St. Paul's for 2025? We are trying to close out the stewardship campaign and help the vestry plan the year of transition ahead of us. Check out our campaign webpage for more resources about the impact you make by supporting St. Paul's. Pledge forms and information are available in the narthex and at coffee hour. Make our follow-up process easier - please return your forms today.

Christmas Pageant Rehearsal: The first rehearsal for the Christmas Pageant is this morning at 10:15 a.m. in the Chapel. We will have a read-through of the script and practice the songs. We will also briefly describe the blocking and the set. It would be helpful to have at least one parent present per family, especially if your child has limited attention in a busy setting. The Annual Meeting is also taking place at this time, so we will make ballots available for those who are eligible to vote for vestry. Lastly - it's not too late to join us! We can always use more shepherds, soldiers, angels, and animals. All are welcome; just come to the rehearsal! Contact Melanie Williams at melanie.moyer.williams@gmail.com with questions.

**St. Nicholas Day:** The St. Nicholas Tree is in the narthex, ready for you to select tags and do your shopping! Check out our new color-coded tags; we have lots of new information to guide you as you shop this year. As a reminder, all gifts should be brought to the church on or before Dec. 8, when St. Nicholas makes his annual visit to St. Paul's at the 9 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. services. More details are available on the St. Paul's website, or by contacting Colette Hibberd at hibberdfamily@yahoo.com.

**Card Making and Cookies:** Please join with families in the Parish Hall during coffee hour (10:15 a.m.) on Nov. 24 to munch on cookies and make Christmas cards! The Children's Ministries Committee will share your cards with friends from our outreach ministries. Enjoy some treats while sharing your creativity with others!

**Wednesday Evening Contemplative Services in Advent:** Join the clergy in the Chapel at 7 p.m. on Wednesdays, beginning Dec. 4, for a contemplative Eucharist service. We will use the readings for Advent as our guide and have ample time for meditation and reflection.

**Lessons and Carols:** Mark your calendars for Sunday, Dec. 8 at 4 p.m. as the St. Paul's Choir and the Bells of St. Paul's present the service of Advent Lessons and Carols, directed by Minister of Music Rusty McKinney, accompanied by Organist Carol Yeargin. A light reception will follow the service. Invite friends and plan to join us for an afternoon of beautiful music and scripture readings in the Anglican Tradition. Childcare is available from 3:45-5:30 p.m.

**Welcome the Newly Baptized:** A very special welcome to Makenzie Jane Tursam, child of Benjamin and Rebecca Tursam, grandchild of Diane Coleman, and Reece Philip Helms, child of Erik and Kate Helms, who will be baptized at the 11:15 a.m. service today.

**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, Noah, Sally, Chase, Ronnie, John, Janice, Chris, Bill, John, Randy. Becky, Mike, the Lytvinenko Family, John, Amy, Bonnie, Connor, Louane, Shannon, Rebecca, Mary, Regina, Ray, Myrna, Nathanael, Kailey, David, Lisa, Parrish, Matias, Yosi, Trudy, Lorraine, Ralph, and Judy.

In the prayers for the deceased, we pray for Bill Fierke, husband of Nancy.

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.