



St. Paul's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH OAKLAND

AUGUST 19, 2018

THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

10 a.m. Holy Eucharist

WELCOME TO ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

St. Paul's is a diverse, inclusive community in the Episcopal Diocese of California. We are a member of Integrity and of Oasis, the Gay and Lesbian ministry of the Diocese of California, and are welcoming to all who attend in worship.

*To our Parents: We welcome your children to participate in our worship. During the 10 a.m. service, children under 3 years of age can enjoy **Mustard Seeds**, our professionally staffed nursery in the back of the church.*

We're happy to have you with us today. Our worship follows the order of the Book of Common Prayer 1979 (BCP), Rite II, with music from a variety of musical resources authorized by the Episcopal Church: 1982 Hymnal, Lift Every Voice and Sing (LEVAS) and Enriching Our Music (EOM) and other approved forms.

PRELUDE

Prelude and Fugue in G, Book II (BWV 884)

J. S. Bach (1685–1750)

The Word of God

At the sound of the bell, all stand for the entrance of the ministers.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

LEVAS 69

I come to the garden alone

In the Garden

*Celebrant
People*

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
**And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for
ever. Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

**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-277

1. Glo - ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

2. Lord God, hea-ven-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;

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

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

7. you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spi-rit,

in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant 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.

All **Amen.**

All sit.

THE FIRST READING

Proverbs 9: 1-6

Wisdom has built her house, she has hewn her seven pillars. She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine, she has also set her table. She has sent out her servant girls, she calls from the highest places in the town, "You that are simple, turn in here!" To those without sense she says, "Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. Lay aside immaturity, and live, and walk in the way of insight."

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**



- 9 Fear the Lord, you that are his saints, *
for those who fear him lack nothing.
- 10 **The young lions lack and suffer hunger, ***
but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.
- 11 Come, children, and listen to me; *
I will teach you the fear of the Lord.
- 12 **Who among you loves life ***
and desires long life to enjoy prosperity?
- 13 Keep your tongue from evil-speaking *
and your lips from lying words.
- 14 **Turn from evil and do good; ***
seek peace and pursue it.

THE SECOND READING

Ephesians 5: 15-20

Be careful how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand.

SEQUENCE HYMN

Hymnal 302
Father, we thank thee
Rendez á Dieu

THE GOSPEL

John 6: 51-58

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
 according to John.

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

Jesus said, "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh." The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

The Rev. Annie Pierpoint Mertz

THE NICENE CREED

All 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

By Jeanette Dinwiddie-Moore

Lord, you are the living bread that came down from heaven for our salvation; help us to abide in you in all that we do. May we be a living example of a godly life. Let us be careful to live as wise people, who daily make the most of every opportunity and the time we have.

Lord, as we eat the true bread you have given for the life of the world;

May we be filled with the Holy Spirit.

Lord, we give you thanks with our whole hearts as the assembly of your holy and universal church and the congregation of faith. Be with all priests, ministers, deacons, and those who serve you, both lay and ordained, as they work to spread the Good News of your lifegiving bread throughout the world. May we all be guided by your righteousness and understanding.

Lord, as we eat the true bread you have given for the life of the world;

May we be filled with the Holy Spirit.

Lord, we pray for the leaders of this nation and the world that they

will have wisdom and understanding to discern between evil and good. May they lay aside immaturity and instead walk in the way of insight. May they stand fast for justice, truth and equity and be accountable to you in keeping your commandments.

We also pray for the people of this nation; may love, harmony, respect and peace triumph over the bigotry, hatred, dissension, division and strife that has grasped us.

Lord, as we eat the true bread you have given for the life of the world;

May we be filled with the Holy Spirit.

Lord, we are richly and wonderfully blessed. We give thanks to you, our Father, at all times and for everything. As a token of our appreciation, free us to share our love, riches, and blessings with those who are suffering from sickness, homelessness, hopelessness, imprisonment, unemployment, loneliness, or any kind of adversity, including those we now name. . .

(People may add their petitions)

Lord, as we eat the true bread you have given for the life of the world;

May we be filled with the Holy Spirit.

We pray for the concerns and cares of our local community, neighbors and our St. Paul's family.

Lord, as we eat the true bread you have given for the life of the world;

May we be filled with the Holy Spirit.

Lord, you have promised that you will raise them up on the last day and that the ones who eat this bread will live forever. We pray for those who have passed from this life to you. Be with those who mourn them and keep our hearts ready for the day of our own transition.

Lord, as we eat the true bread you have given for the life of the world;

May we be filled with the Holy Spirit.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Deacon says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All kneel as are able.

Silence

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.

THE PEACE

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holy Communion

OFFERTORY MUSIC

LEVAS 181

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound
New Britain

All stand as the Celebrant raises the offerings and together sing the Doxology.

THE DOXOLOGY

Hymnal 380, verse 3

Music: Old 100th

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise

The first line of musical notation for the Doxology. It consists of a treble and bass staff in G major. The treble staff contains a melody of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4. The bass staff contains a simple accompaniment of quarter notes: G2, B1, D2, E2, G2, B1, D2, E2. The lyrics are: "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise".

him, all creatures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye

The second line of musical notation. The treble staff continues the melody: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F#4, E4, D4, C4, B3, A3, G3. The bass staff continues the accompaniment: G2, B1, D2, E2, G2, B1, D2, E2, G2, B1, D2, E2, G2, B1, D2, E2. The lyrics are: "him, all creatures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye".

heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

The third line of musical notation. The treble staff continues the melody: G3, F#3, E3, D3, C3, B2, A2, G2, F#2, E2, D2, C2, B1, A1, G1. The bass staff continues the accompaniment: G2, B1, D2, E2, G2, B1, D2, E2, G2, B1, D2, E2, G2, B1, D2, E2. The lyrics are: "heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost."

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Hymnal S-120

The musical notation for 'The Great Thanksgiving' consists of four staves. The first staff is for the Celebrant, with the lyrics 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.' The second staff is for the People, with the lyrics 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.' The third staff is for the Celebrant, with the lyrics 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.' The fourth staff is for the People, with the lyrics 'It is right to give God thanks and praise.' The music is written in a simple, melodic style with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#).

Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. 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.

Then, facing the Holy Table, 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. For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 SANCTUS

Hymnal S-124

The musical notation for 'The Sanctus' consists of three staves. The music is written in a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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 music is a simple, melodic setting of the text.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. 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

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 blessed Paul and 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.

All **Amen.**

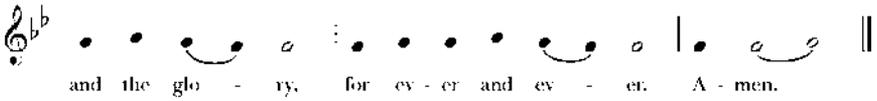
The Celebrant then continues,

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Hymnal S-119

Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed
be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our
dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power.



The Celebrant breaks the bread.

A period of silence is kept.

Then is sung

THE AGNUS DEI

Hymnal S-161

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
 have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
 sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
 you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

The Celebrant invites all to God's table saying

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 at the Lord's table to receive Holy Communion or a blessing. To receive Communion in your pew, please ask an usher to notify the ministers on your behalf. If you require a gluten-free wafer, please ask at the altar rail.

COMMUNION MUSIC

Joshua Black
African-American Spiritual
Arr. by Harry T. Burleigh (1866-1949)

Little David, play on your harp, Hallelu.

God told Moses, O Lord!
Go down into Egypt, O Lord!
Tell old Pharaoh, O Lord!
Loose my people.

Down in the valley, O Lord!
I didn't go to stay; O Lord!
My soul got happy, O Lord!
And I stayed all day.

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*After all have received Communion, people stand or kneel as the
Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and ever living 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

The priest blesses the people.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Hymnal 376
Joyful, joyful, we adore thee
Hymn to Joy

THE DISMISSAL

The deacon dismisses the people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Bach Two-Part Invention in A Minor (BWV 784)
J. S. Bach (1685–1750)

A NOTE ON TODAY'S READINGS

Proper 15: Sunday closest to August 17—Year B

Welcome to our parish. Jesus' discourse on the bread of life continues to be the center of our liturgy, as it has been now for several weeks. Jesus has met physical hunger by providing material bread (a primary Old Testament sign of salvation); he has said that a spiritual (or mystical) relationship with him constitutes the bread of eternal life; now he says that nourishment with his life is given by actually eating his flesh and drinking his blood. If we eat his body and drink his blood, we will have eternal life.

In the first reading, God's Wisdom is personified as a hostess inviting us to eat her food and drink her wine, thereby receiving her into our lives. Early Christians understood Jesus as the incarnation of God's Wisdom. This is, therefore, a passage that has been seen by Christians as an Old Testament prefiguring of our Savior who calling us into new life by becoming one with him sacramentally.

The second reading is once again from the letter to the Ephesians. We are exhorted to let God's Spirit inebriate us and speak through us in thanksgiving and song.

"People with a story to tell and a song to sing" is a way Christians have been described. It is preeminently in liturgy that we carry out that role. We gather here to be fed physically, spiritually, and sacramentally. Our response is to give thanks (the word "eucharist" means "thanksgiving") and, having told our story and sung our song here, to take it out to our brothers and sisters in the world.

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2018 PLEDGE UPDATE

A note from your Treasurer: happy to report that our YTD pledges are nearly caught up. Thanks so very much; updated numbers coming in September.

Prayer requests for you or a loved one may be communicated by placing a note in the offering plate. We will include them in our regular prayer concerns. You may also send prayer requests to prayers@stpaulsoakland.org.

Tito Alvarez
 Catherine Ann
 Kathleen Jean Anthony
 Anjali Asha
 Susan Bayh
 Anne Barclay
 Dr. Basdeo Balkissoon
 Aaron A. Benjamin
 Lisa Bishop
 The Bohnet Family
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 Kate Britton
 Maggie Britton
 Natalie Lehman Buckingham
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 Sonia Chamorro
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 Denise Conley
 Martika Crawford
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 Victoria Maxine Devlin
 Edwina Devlin
 Brian Faucette

Alexander Glenn
 Grace Gough
 Londell Guffen
 Vincent Hall
 Chrystina Harris
 Evelyn Harris
 Michelle Hartmann
 David Holley
 Eric Hubert
 Flo Hurley
 Sharon Hyde
 Nick Indehar
 Anne Jensen
 Ian Kangahno
 Hannah Keene
 Reginald & Theresa Lane
 Vita Lopata
 Mario Lopez
 Andre Lusan
 Valerie Marlette
 Rafael Martin Garcia
 Stephanie Mazzarello
 Paul Mazzilli
 Nicole McClain
 Ruby McClain
 Ginny McCormick
 James Morales
 Jean Mundy
 Mia Murrietta
 Ali Nagri

Joan O'neill
 Dennis Orme
 Garrett Petersen
 Robert Pilmer
 Mark Pingree
 David Raskin
 Joel Reyna
 Emily Rucker
 Alex Serventi
 Richard Shafer
 Blanche Slaughter
 Colbert Smith
 Crystal Smith
 Manny Smith
 Nolan Smith
 Paul Sporer
 Jean Struble
 Heike Sullivan
 Angelo & Bruna Taranta
 Loretta VanderVeen
 Nell Varnedoe
 Cary Virtue
 Renee Walker-Bolden
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 Norman Young

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Assistant Music Director
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 Elena Nedevska
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VESTRY

Class of 2018
 Alice Brilmayer—Sr. Warden
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 Sandra Anderson—Treasurer
Class of 2019
 Pamela Kruse-Buckingham
 Irene Plunkett—Clerk
 Will Cowart
Class of 2020
 Ben Clausen
 Allison Sass
 Dylan Versteeg

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Sundays

8 AM Spoken Eucharist in
the Church

10 AM Choral Eucharist in
the Church

First Sundays

4 PM Evensong in the
Church

Fourth Sundays

8 PM Compline in the
Church

Wednesdays

12:10 PM Spoken
Eucharist with Healing
Service on the 1st
Wednesday in the Chapel

The Sacrament of
Reconciliation may be
scheduled with any priest.

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Celebrant and Preacher

The Rev. Annie Pierpoint Mertz
Associate Rector

Assisting

The Rev. Christian Harding
Assisting Priest

Pianist

Feona Jones

Organist

Will Lewis

Soloist

Joshua Black

Choir

St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Summer Choir

Subdeacon

Sandra Anderson

Lectors

Carolyn Knapp, Doug Jensen

Intercessor

Carolyn Knapp

Ushers

Doug Jensen, Ann Del Simone,
Yuri Sikkema, Dylan Versteeg

Altar Guild

Ann Del Simone, Susie O'Neal,
Indira Balkissoon

WELCOMING AND AFFIRMING

Parking is available in the Senior Center/ Veteran's Memorial Building lot (across Bay Place from the church) for Sunday services. Street parking is unrestricted on Sundays, but metered/2-hour limit all other days. Additional paid parking is available at Children's Fairyland on Grand Ave. and at lots at 155 Grand Ave. and at W 23rd St. & Waverly (behind 180 Grand Ave.). The nearest BART station is the 19th Avenue stop, a .7 mile walk.



Event Notification: If you would like to receive information on St. Paul's events and ministries, or receive a call from clergy, please fill out the welcome cards in the pews and place in the collection plate or sign the visitor book in the Narthex. **To join our email list, sign up on our website, www.stpaulsoakland.org** Parishioner Directories are available in either printed or digital form. To request your copy please call or email Mia Gamboa (510.834.4314 Ext. 501/admin@stpaulsoakland.org).

Name Tags

Let us greet you with your name! Please pick up your name tag in the narthex as you enter the Church or at the coffee hour afterwards.

The Restroom

One is located at the back of the church through the side door. A wheelchair accessible restroom is also available. Please ask an usher for assistance.

Questions?

Don't hesitate to ask an usher for help if you require any assistance.



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