



**February 7, 2021**  
**8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist**

**THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY**

**WELCOME TO ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

*We are a diverse, inclusive community in the Episcopal Diocese of California. We are a member of Integrity, the LGBTQ+ ministry of the Episcopal Church, and are welcoming to all who attend in worship.*

*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 Worship (EOW).*

Join the service Live Stream on our Facebook  
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# The Word of God

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

*Celebrant*      Blessed are you, holy and living One.  
*People*          **You come to your people and set them free.**

## 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 following is said*

## THE GLORIA

**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.**

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*All*      **Amen.**

*All sit.*

## THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 40: 21-31

Have you not known? Have you not heard?  
Has it not been told you from the beginning?  
Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?  
It is he who sits above the circle of the earth,  
and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers;  
who stretches out the heavens like a curtain,  
and spreads them like a tent to live in;  
who brings princes to naught,  
and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing.  
Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown,  
scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth,  
when he blows upon them, and they wither,  
and the tempest carries them off like stubble.  
To whom then will you compare me,  
or who is my equal? says the Holy One.  
Lift up your eyes on high and see:  
Who created these?  
He who brings out their host and numbers them,  
calling them all by name;  
because he is great in strength,  
mighty in power,  
not one is missing.  
Why do you say, O Jacob,  
and speak, O Israel,  
"My way is hidden from the LORD,  
and my right is disregarded by my God"?  
Have you not known? Have you not heard?  
The LORD is the everlasting God,  
the Creator of the ends of the earth.  
He does not faint or grow weary;  
his understanding is unsearchable.  
He gives power to the faint,  
and strengthens the powerless.  
Even youths will faint and be weary,  
and the young will fall exhausted;  
but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength,

they shall mount up with wings like eagles,  
they shall run and not be weary,  
they shall walk and not faint.

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

**PSALM 147: 1-12, 21c**

*Laudate Dominum*

- 1 Hallelujah!  
How good it is to sing praises to our God! \*  
**how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!**
- 2 **The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem; \***  
**he gathers the exiles of Israel.**
- 3 **He heals the brokenhearted \***  
**and binds up their wounds.**
- 4 **He counts the number of the stars \***  
**and calls them all by their names.**
- 5 **Great is our LORD and mighty in power; \***  
**there is no limit to his wisdom.**
- 6 **The LORD lifts up the lowly, \***  
**but casts the wicked to the ground.**
- 7 **Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; \***  
**make music to our God upon the harp.**
- 8 **He covers the heavens with clouds \***  
**and prepares rain for the earth;**
- 9 **He makes grass to grow upon the mountains \***  
**and green plants to serve mankind.**
- 10 **He provides food for flocks and herds \***  
**and for the young ravens when they cry.**
- 11 **He is not impressed by the might of a horse; \***  
**he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;**
- 12 **But the LORD has pleasure in those who fear him, \***  
**in those who await his gracious favor.**
- 21 **Hallelujah!**

## THE SECOND READING

I Corinthians 9: 16-23

If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel! For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel.

For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

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

*All stand.*

## THE GOSPEL

Mark 1: 29-39

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

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

After Jesus and his disciples left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the

demons to speak, because they knew him. In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, “Everyone is searching for you.” He answered, “Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do.” And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

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

**SERMON**

The Rev. Dr. Mauricio Wilson

*A period of silence is kept following the sermon.*

## **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

*Matthew Whitney*

Heavenly God, we have been searching everywhere for you so that we may hear your Word and to know your Love. You have given us the Good News. We go into the world to proclaim your message.

Heavenly God, protect and strengthen your Universal Church and its leadership. We pray for our Bishop, Marc and our Rector, Mauricio that you show them your will. Give all clergy in this church and elsewhere the knowledge of your blessing and love.

You have given us the Good News.

**We go into the world to proclaim your message.**

Heavenly God, the ‘American experiment’ continues and we are grateful for your guidance and healing as we move forward. We pray for our President and all who serve Congress and for all leaders across the land.

You have given us the Good News.

**We go into the world to proclaim your message.**

Heavenly God, watch over the ever-changing climate and make us good stewards of your resources. Help us to see the wisdom in restraint of consumption that we may leave this world a better place for future generations.

You have given us the Good News.

**We go into the world to proclaim your message.**

Heavenly God, bring the community of Oakland together to help and love all our neighbors as we love ourselves. Especially watch over and protect the patrons of our Food Pantry. Strengthen and encourage all who serve in that ministry.

You have given us the Good News.

**We go into the world to proclaim your message.**

Heavenly God, give us empathy for all who are suffering so that we may help those who are in pain, suffering, mental anguish or struggling under disease. Give us strength to administer love and kindness to all. We especially pray for those within our family of St Paul’s we now remember.

*Please say aloud those who are known to you.*

You have given us the Good News.

**We go into the world to proclaim your message.**

Heavenly God, we remember all who have died, especially those victim of COVID-19. May those in mourning recognize your love. Give them strength and the hope of the Resurrection.

You have given us the Good News.

**We go into the world to proclaim your message.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

## THE CONFESSION OF SIN

*The Deacon then says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence. All 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 Celebrant 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

*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  
him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye  
heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Eucharistic Prayer B*

*The Celebrant, says*

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.**

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. 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:

*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 the one who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*The people stand or kneel and the Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into 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 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, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

**We remember Christ's death,  
We proclaim Christ's resurrection,  
We await Christ's coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant continues,*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with blessed Paul and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

*All*      **Amen.**

*The Celebrant then continues,*

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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

*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.**

*The Celebrant breaks the bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

*Then is said*

### **THE FRACTION ANTHEM**

Jesus, Lamb of God: **have mercy on us.**

Jesus, bearer of our sins: **have mercy on us.**

Jesus, redeemer of the world: **give us your 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.

*The following prayer is said.*

**My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.**

*(St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)*

### **THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**Loving God,  
we give you thanks  
for restoring us in your image  
and nourishing us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.  
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.**

## **THE BLESSING**

*The priest blesses the people, saying*

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

*People*    **Amen.**

## **THE DISMISSAL**

*Deacon*    Go in peace to love and serve Jesus Christ our Savior.

*People*    **Thanks be to God.**

**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](mailto:prayers@stpaulsoakland.org).

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#### CLERGY

The Rt. Rev. Marc H. Andrus  
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 The Rev. Dr. Mauricio Wilson  
*Rector*  
 The Ven. Carolyn Bolton  
*Archdeacon*  
 The Rev. Christian Harding  
 The Rev. Anne Jensen  
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## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

*Live stream only, until  
further notice.*

### **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**

*(Temporarily suspended)*

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.**

Music usage licensing and  
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### ***Celebrant and Preacher***

The Rev. Dr. Mauricio J. Wilson  
*Rector*

### ***Lay Assistant***

Stephen Tiffenson

### ***Altar Guild***

Maria Paull

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## 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](http://www.stpaulsoakland.org)**

Parishioner Directories are available in either printed or digital form. To request your copy please call or email (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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