

**Carrying  
Forth the  
Work  
&  
Word  
of  
Jesus**



September 13, 2020  
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

**St. Paul's**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH OAKLAND

**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).*

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# The Word of God

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

*Celebrant*      Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.  
*People*            **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

## 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.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ 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

Exodus 14: 19-31

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The LORD drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the LORD in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the LORD is fighting for them against Egypt."

Then the LORD said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the LORD tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left.

Thus the LORD saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the LORD did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the LORD and believed in the LORD and in his servant Moses.

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

1 Hallelujah!

When Israel came out of Egypt, \*  
**the house of Jacob from a people of strange speech,**

2 **Judah became God's sanctuary \*  
 and Israel his dominion.**

3 **The sea beheld it and fled; \*  
 Jordan turned and went back.**

4 **The mountains skipped like rams, \*  
 and the little hills like young sheep.**

5 **What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? \*  
 O Jordan, that you turned back?**

6 **You mountains, that you skipped like rams? \*  
 you little hills like young sheep?**

7 **Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, \*  
 at the presence of the God of Jacob,**

8 **Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water \*  
 and flint-stone into a flowing spring.**

## THE SECOND READING

Romans 14: 1-12

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so

then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written,

"As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,  
and every tongue shall give praise to God."

So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

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

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*All stand.*

## THE GOSPEL

Matthew 18: 21-35

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

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

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

"For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I

forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

*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

*Praying the Scriptures*

Each of us is finally accountable to God. So let us pray, saying, “Lord, we are in need of your mercy; *have patience with us.*”

Lord, we acknowledge that we all sin against our brothers and sisters in Christ. Forgive us even as we forgive each other. Help us to be merciful to each other in the Church.

*Silence*

Lord, we are in need of your mercy;  
**Have patience with us.**

Lord, we acknowledge that we desire to repay violence with violence. Open our hearts to forgive even those who commit evil acts towards us and those we love. Help us to live mercifully in our world.

*Silence*

Lord, we are in need of your mercy;  
**Have patience with us.**

Lord, we acknowledge we do not always appreciate the diversity of your creation. Teach us to live in peace with each other and with your creation. Help us to live mercifully with our world.

*Silence*

Lord, we are in need of your mercy;  
**Have patience with us.**

Lord, we acknowledge that we do not love our neighbors as you love us. Forgive us for placing ourselves as judge over others when judgement belongs to you alone. Help us to accept the great mercy you choose to show others.

*Silence*

Lord, we are in need of your mercy;  
**Have patience with us.**

Lord, we pray for those whose lives are broken by evil. Because of your mercy we believe that whatever befalls them, they belong to you; you care for the brokenhearted. Help us to share your love with all those who are hurting.

*The congregation may add their petitions and thanksgivings, followed by silence*

Lord, we are in need of your mercy;  
**Have patience with us.**

Lord, we remember those who died in violence. We remember those members of the armed services, innocent bystanders, first responders, and even those we have called enemies. The dead belong to you, O Lord. Even as we seek your mercy for ourselves, judge all those who have died with mercy.

*Silence*

Lord, we are in need of your mercy;  
**Have patience with us.**

*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

The first line of musical notation for the Doxology. It consists of a treble clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a bass clef staff. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise".

him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye

The second line of musical notation for the Doxology. It consists of a treble clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a bass clef staff. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye".

heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Enriching our Worship  
Eucharistic Prayer I*

*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 every where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called to new life in 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*

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:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*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,*

## **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*

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

*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**

*After all have received Communion, people stand or kneel as 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 Christ, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

## **THE BLESSING**

*The Celebrant blesses the people.*

## **THE DISMISSAL**

*Deacon* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*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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## 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.**

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### ***Celebrant and Preacher***

The Rev. Dr. Mauricio Wilson  
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### **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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