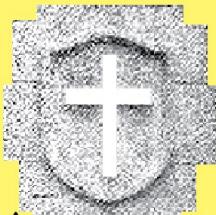


# St. Paul's

EPISCOPAL CHURCH OAKLAND



Celebrating  
**150**  
years

April 11, 2021

**8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer**

**THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**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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# Morning Prayer

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

*Officiant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.  
*People* **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

## THE INVITATORY & PSALTER

*Officiant* Lord, open our lips.  
*People* And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

*Officiant and People*  
**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**  
Alleluia.

*Officiant* Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed: Come let us adore him.  
Alleluia.

## PASCHA NOSTRUM

Alleluia.  
Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; \*  
    **therefore let us keep the feast,**  
**Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, \***  
    **but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.**  
Alleluia.  
Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; \*  
    **death no longer has dominion over him.**  
The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; \*  
    **but the life he lives, he lives to God.**  
So also consider yourselves dead to sin, \*  
    and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.  
Christ has been raised from the dead, \*  
    **the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.**  
For since by a man came death, \*  
    **by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.**  
For as in Adam all die, \*  
    **so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.**  
All: Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed: Come let us adore  
    him. Alleluia.

*All sit.*

## PSALM 133

*Ecce, quam bonum!*

- 1 Oh, how good and pleasant it is, \*  
**when brethren live together in unity!**
- 2 **It is like fine oil upon the head \***  
**that runs down upon the beard,**
- 3 **Upon the beard of Aaron, \***  
**and runs down upon the collar of his robe.**
- 4 **It is like the dew of Hermon \***  
**that falls upon the hills of Zion.**
- 5 **For there the LORD has ordained the blessing: \***  
**life for evermore.**

*All stand.*

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

*All sit.*

## THE FIRST READING

Acts 4: 32-35

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

*Reader:* Here ends the Lesson.

*All stand.*

**CANTICLE 11:** The Third Song of Isaiah   *Surge, illuminare*  
*Isaiah 60:1-3, 11a, 14c, 18-19*

Arise, shine, for your light has come, \*  
and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.  
For behold, darkness covers the land; \*  
deep gloom enshrouds the peoples.  
But over you the Lord will rise,\*  
and his glory will appear upon you.  
Nations will stream to your light,\*  
and kings to the brightness of your dawning.  
Your gates will always be open; \*  
by day or night they will never be shut.  
They will call you, The City of the Lord,\*  
The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.  
Violence will no more be heard in your land,\*  
ruin or destruction within your borders.  
You will call your walls, Salvation,\*  
and all your portals, Praise.  
The sun will no more be your light by day; \*  
by night you will not need the brightness of the moon.  
The Lord will be your everlasting light,\*  
and your God will be your glory.  
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever.  
Amen.

*All sit.*

**THE SECOND LESSON**

I John 1: 1-2: 2

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life-- this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us-- we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to

you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

*Reader*      Here ends the Lesson.

*All stand.*

### CANTICLE 16: The Song of Zechariah

*Benedictus Dominus Deus  
Luke 1: 68-79*

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; \*  
he has come to his people and set them free.  
He has raised up for us a mighty savior, \*  
born of the house of his servant David.  
Through his holy prophets he promised of old,  
that he would save us from our enemies, \*  
from the hands of all who hate us.  
He promised to show mercy to our fathers \*  
and to remember his holy covenant.  
This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, \*  
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,  
Free to worship him without fear, \*  
holy and righteous in his sight  
all the days of our life.  
You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, \*  
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,  
To give his people knowledge of salvation \*  
by the forgiveness of their sins.

**In the tender compassion of our God \***  
**the dawn from on high shall break upon us,**  
**To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the**  
**shadow of death, \***  
**and to guide our feet into the way of peace.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \***  
**as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.**

**Amen.**

*All sit.*

### **THE THIRD LESSON**

John 20: 19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that

you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

*Reader:* Here ends the Lesson.

*All stand.*

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*The people stand or kneel*

## THE PRAYERS

*Officiant* God be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Officiant* Let us pray.

*Officiant and People*

**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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## THE SUFFRAGES B

*Officiant* Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;  
*People* **Govern and uphold them, now and always.**

*Officiant* Day by day we bless you;  
*People* **We praise your Name for ever.**

*Officiant* Lord, keep us from all sin today;  
*People* **Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.**

*Officiant* Lord, show us your love and mercy;  
*People* **For we put our trust in you.**

*Officiant* In you, Lord, is our hope;  
*People* **And we shall never hope in vain.**

*Officiant* Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you;  
*People* **And your favor to those who are true of heart.**

*Officiant* Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;  
*People* **So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.**

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## COLLECT FOR SUNDAYS

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## COLLECT FOR RENEWAL OF LIFE

O God, the King eternal, whose light divides the day from the night and turns the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep your law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done your will with cheerfullness during the day, we may, when night comes, rejoice to give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## SERMON

The Rev. Christian Harding

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

*All stand.*

## THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

*Officiant and People*

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all whom you have made.  
We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your  
praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to your service,  
and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all  
our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

## PRAYER OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one  
accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have  
promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three  
are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of  
them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be  
best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and  
in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

## THE DISMISSAL

*Deacon*      Let us bless the Lord.  
*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

## CLOSING SENTENCE

*Officiant* Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to God from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Ephesians 3:20, 21*

## **EASTER FLOWERS AND MUSIC ARE PROVIDED:**

- Ken Lee,
- Sharon Pilmer,
- Valerie Behrendt,
- Irene Plunkett,
- The Ceric Family,
- Toni Martin,
- Charles J. Blue, Jr.

## **AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF:**

- Willa, Ray, Margaret, George, Delilah and Virginia by Lisa and George Strait,
- Edward V. Ford by Harriet Ford,
- Delores Gandsly and William Davis by The Bill Davis Family,
- Jeanne Parker, David Del Simone, Betty and Vaughan Hill Robson and Betty Carr by Ann Del Simone,
- Margaret Williams Smith by Sarah Smith Hernandez,
- Dan Iannitelli by Eric Strait,
- Howard Bolton, Gertrude Bolton, Nathalie Stewart, Irene Sparkman and Kimberly Williams by Carolyn Bolton,
- David Dibble by Frances Dibble.

**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@stpauloakland.org](mailto:prayers@stpauloakland.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

### Fourth Sundays

8 PM Compline in the  
Church

*(Temporarily suspended)*

### First Sundays

4 PM Evensong in the  
Church

### Wednesdays

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

### *Officiant and Preacher*

The Rev. Christian Harding  
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**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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