



**January 31, 2021**

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

**THE FOURTH 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).*

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# Morning Prayer

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

*Officiant* From the rising of the sun to its setting my Name shall be great among the nations, and in every place incense shall be offered to my Name, and a pure offering; for my Name shall be great among the nations, says the Lord of hosts.

*Malachi 1:11*

## 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* The Lord has shown forth his glory: Come let us adore him.

## JUBILATE

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; \*

**serve the Lord with gladness**

**and come before his presence with a song.**

**Know this: The Lord himself is God; \***

**he himself has made us, and we are his;**

**we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

**Enter his gates with thanksgiving;**

**go into his courts with praise; \***

**give thanks to him and call upon his Name.**

**For the Lord is good;**

**his mercy is everlasting; \***

**and his faithfulness endures from age to age.**

**All: The Lord has shown forth his glory: Come let us adore him.**

*All sit.*

**PSALM 111**

*Confitebor tibi*

1 Hallelujah!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, \*  
**in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.**

2 **Great are the deeds of the LORD! \***  
**they are studied by all who delight in them.**

3 **His work is full of majesty and splendor, \***  
**and his righteousness endures for ever.**

4 **He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; \***  
**the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.**

5 **He gives food to those who fear him; \***  
**he is ever mindful of his covenant.**

6 **He has shown his people the power of his works \***  
**in giving them the lands of the nations.**

7 **The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; \***  
**all his commandments are sure.**

8 **They stand fast for ever and ever, \***  
**because they are done in truth and equity.**

9 **He sent redemption to his people;**  
**he commanded his covenant for ever; \***  
**holy and awesome is his Name.**

10 **The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; \***  
**those who act accordingly have a good understanding; \***  
**his praise endures for ever.**

*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

Deuteronomy 18: 15-20

Moses said: The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: "If I hear the voice of the LORD my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die." Then the LORD replied to me: "They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak—that prophet shall die."

*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 SECOND LESSON

I Corinthians 8: 1-13

Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that “all of us possess knowledge.” Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; but anyone who loves God is known by him.

Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “no idol in the world really exists,” and that “there is no God but one.” Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as in fact there are many gods and many lords—yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. “Food will not bring us close to God.” We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

*Reader*      Here ends the Lesson.

*All stand.*

**CANTICLE 21:**

You are God  
Te Deum laudamus  
*Isaiah 60: 1-3, 11a, 14c, 18-19*

You are God: we praise you;  
**You are the Lord; we acclaim you;**  
**You are the eternal Father:**  
**All creation worships you.**  
**To you all angels, all the powers of heaven,**  
**Cherubim and Seraphim, sing in endless praise:**  
**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**  
**heaven and earth are full of your glory.**  
**The glorious company of apostles praise you.**  
**The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.**  
**The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.**  
**Throughout the world the holy Church acclaims you;**  
**Father, of majesty unbounded,**  
**your true and only Son, worthy of all worship,**  
**and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.**  
**You, Christ, are the king of glory,**  
**the eternal Son of the Father.**  
**When you became man to set us free**  
**you did not shun the Virgin's womb.**  
**You overcame the sting of death**  
**and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.**  
**You are seated at God's right hand in glory.**  
**We believe that you will come and be our judge.**  
**Come then, Lord, and help your people,**  
**bought with the price of your own blood,**  
**and bring us with your saints**  
**to glory everlasting.**

*All sit.*

**THE THIRD LESSON**

Mark 1: 21:28

Jesus and his disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an

unclean spirit, and he cried out, “What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God.” But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!” And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, “What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.” At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

*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, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; 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 cheerfulness during the day, we may, when night comes, rejoice to give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Mauricio Wilson

*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*







**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

### **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

**The Sacrament of  
Reconciliation may be  
scheduled with any priest.**

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### ***Officiant and Preacher***

The Rev. Dr. Mauricio Wilson  
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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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