

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

In the Episcopal Diocese of East Carolina



**The Feast of St. Mary
August 15, 2021**

*Open doors. Open hearts. Open hands.
We will welcome all to live God's mission, teach Christ's love
and transform our community by the power of the Holy Spirit.*

The Holy Eucharist

Voluntary

*Prière à Notre Dame, from Suite gothique
(Prayer to Our Lady)*

Léon Boëllman

Processional

Ye watchers and ye holy ones

Hymnal 618

*Celebrant
People*

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

Celebrant

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

Gloria

Glory be to God

Lauda anima

Glo - ry be to God in hea - ven, songs of
Lamb of God, who on you shoul - ders bore the
You, O Son of God, are ho - ly, you we
joy and peace we bring, thank - ful hearts and voi - ces
load of this world's sin, on - ly Son of God the
praise with one ac - cord, none in heav'n or earth is
rais - ing, to cre - a - tion's Lord we sing: Lord, we thank you,
Fa - ther, you have brought us peace with - in: Lord, have mer - cy,
like you, on - ly you are Christ the Lord with the Fa - ther,
Lord, we bless you, glo - ry be to God our King.
Christ, have mer - cy, now your glo - rious reign be - gin.
and the Spi - rit, ev - er wor - shipped and a - dored.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you have taken to yourself the blessed Virgin Mary, mother of your incarnate Son: Grant that we, who have been redeemed by his blood, may share with her the glory of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for- ever. *Amen.*

The people may be seated.

Isaiah 61:10-11

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord,
 my whole being shall exult in my God;
for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation,
 he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,
as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland,
 and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

For as the earth brings forth its shoots,
 and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up,
so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise
 to spring up before all the nations.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Magnificat

David Hurd

My Soul proclaims the goodness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,
for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.

From this day all generations will call me blessed;
the Almighty has done great things for me
and holy is his Name.

He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation;
He has shown the strength of his arm,
He has scattered the proud in their conceit.

He has cast down the mighty from their thrones
and has lifted up the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things;
And the rich He has sent away empty.

He has come to the help of his servant Israel
for He has remembered his promise of mercy,
the promise He made to our fathers,
to Abraham and his children forever.

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

A Reading from Galatians 4:4-7

When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn *Tell out my soul, the greatness of the Lord!*

Hymnal 436

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 1:46-55

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Mary said,

"My soul magnifies the Lord,
and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,
for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant.
Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;
for the Mighty One has done great things for me,
and holy is his name.
His mercy is for those who fear him
from generation to generation.
He has shown strength with his arm;
he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.
He has brought down the powerful from their thrones,
and lifted up the lowly;
he has filled the hungry with good things,
and sent the rich away empty.
He has helped his servant Israel,
in remembrance of his mercy,
according to the promise he made to our ancestors,
to Abraham and to his descendants forever."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Caleb J. Lee

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

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

Celebrant: God our savior works revolutions in the Earth and turns the world upside down. Let us proclaim the greatness of the Lord and rejoice in our God, praying to the holy and mighty one saying: Lord, have mercy.

For the church and all people, that God look with favor on them from generation to generation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For justice in all the earth, that with a mighty arm God scatter the proud, cast down the haughty, and lift up the lowly. We pray especially for all the sick, and all affected by the ongoing pandemic. Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who are physically hungry and all who hunger after righteousness, that they may be fed. Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have returned to school and all who are preparing to return to school, especially students and educators, that they may be filled with grace, knowing that the Lord is with them as they journey through this new academic year. Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the departed, that with blessed Mary, the mother of our Lord, and all the saints, they may continue in perfect fulfillment and bliss in eternal and everlasting glory. Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Celebrant: The salvation and the power and the Kingdom of our God and the authority of Christ has come. We proclaim the greatness of the Lord, and we rejoice in God, our savior, praising God and Christ, our Lord, now and forever.

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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 concludes with an absolution

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Anthem

Ave Maria

Jacob Arcadelt

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou among women,
And blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
Pray for us sinners,
now and in the hour of our death. Amen

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 Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer B)

BCP 367

Celebrant 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.

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 you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children.

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 he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Then 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 him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, 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 Lord 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 he 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 his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord 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 to your Son in his sacrifice that we may be acceptable through him, 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 all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

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 Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem

Hymnal S152

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

Communion of the People

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Hymns

Let all mortal flesh keep silence

Hymnal 324

Fairest Lord Jesus

Hymnal 516

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The people stand or kneel

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant pronounces a blessing, to which the congregation responds, "AMEN"

Procession

Mary be our church's mother

Hymn to Joy

Mary be our church's mother
Faithful mentor, stranger's friend.

Mary be our holy witness,
Loving, caring, till life's end.

Mary be our holy comfort,
First to hear and guide and pray.

Mary be our spirit's solace,
Bringing peace to every day.

Mary be our lasting treasure,
Guiding us in life and death.
Mary be our soul's companion,
Claim in us the Spirit's breath.
Mary be to us in sorrow,
As in Cana's wedding sign.
Mary be the Savior's prompter,
Changing water into wine.

Mary be our friend and neighbor,
Never shall we be alone.
God has called you in the garden,
God has also called you home.
"Let it be," sweet Mary's answer,
"Let it be," to God, her plea.
Faithful servant, dwell among us,
Grace incarnate, Mary be.

Text by JMA Wright

Dismissal

Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Voluntary

Grand Procession

Christoph Gluck

Prayer List

In our parish

Earl Craig
Fr. John Cawthorne
Anne Freeling
Anne Laudati
Richard Laudati
Jere Lewis
Diane Trubia

William Murphy
Tammy Pollock
Lyle Sullivan
Jim Summey
Joann Summey
Pat Baker
William Dennis

People requesting prayer

Richard O'Rourke
Tracy Calhoun Sorrenti
Tammy Tilghman
Sharon O'Rourke Berry
Micheal Justice
Steve Hatch
Bryce Harrelson

Service Participants

8:00 AM

Celebrant and Preacher - The Reverend Caleb J. Lee
Vergar - Cheryl Wagoner
Altar Server and Lector - Merry Ann Wright

10:30 AM

Celebrant and Preacher - The Reverend Caleb J. Lee
Gospeler - The Reverend Michael Singer
Vergar - Cheryl Wagoner
Crucifer - Don Brainard
Altar Server - Ruth Gates
Gospel Book Bearer - Carol Field
Lectors - Kathryn Hedgepeth, Larry Hartman
Intercessor - Joan Rosko Miller

A Warm Welcome to Everyone!

Thank you for worshiping with us today. If you are new to St. Paul's, please fill out a guest card and place it in the offering plate or give it to a greeter or an usher. Please, come visit us again.

Announcements

Deanery Confirmation Service Hosted at St. Paul's –

On *Sunday October 3rd* at 3:00 pm, St. Paul's will be hosting a deanery wide service of Holy Eucharist with Confirmation, Reception, and Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows. Bishop Skirving will be presiding. If you desire to be confirmed, received into the Episcopal Church, reaffirm your baptismal vows, or simply want to know more about the process please contact Fr. Caleb at rector@spechurch.com.

Rise Against Hunger Meal Packing Event – September 18

We are looking for 60 – 75 volunteers for a Rise Against Hunger Packing Event on Saturday, *September 18* from 10 am to 1 pm in the Parish Hall. Register or donate on the secure link on St. Paul's website. Questions? Contact Don Brainard at dabrainard12@gmail.com

Children's Ministry Calendar

Blessings of the Backpacks – Next *Sunday, August 22*, at the 10:30 am Eucharist. Students and educators are encouraged to bring backpacks and school bags to be blessed. Please invite family and friends.

Meet and Greet - On *Sunday, September 12*, our Children's Ministry Team will host a Meet and Greet Breakfast for Sunday school teachers, children and their parents from 9:30 – 10:15 am upstairs in the Children's Wing.

Sunday School Kickoff - On *September 19* at 9:30 am will kick-off the beginning of Sunday school as we Grow Together in Faith. Teachers and students are asked to "Mask UP!" each week. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please contact Meaghan Thomas at spekids@spechurch.com

Little Red Wagon

St. Paul's continues to feed the hungry in our community through Mother Hubbard's Cupboard. You may support this ministry through donations of money or non-perishable food items for our Little Red Wagon.

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