

# ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE CITY OF WILMINGTON  
THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA



## THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

SUNDAY, APRIL 3, 2022

8:00 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST

10:30 A.M. CHORAL MATINS

*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.*

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Welcome to St. Paul's Episcopal Church, celebrating 163 years of service and worship in Wilmington.

## 8:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II ACCORDING TO THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER

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*Our worship service can be found in the red Book of Common Prayer (BCP).  
Please silence all electronic devices before the liturgy begins.*

### THE WORD OF GOD

The Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity	BCP 355
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The First Reading	
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### THE HOLY COMMUNION

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The Blessing	
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### SERVICE PARTICIPANTS AT 8:00 AM

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**Celebrant and Preacher**  
The Reverend Michael Singer  
**Server and Intercessor**  
Herb Gant

**Lector**  
Teresa Singer  
**Greeter/Usher**  
Mona Clites

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## 10:30 AM CHORAL MATINS ACCORDING TO THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER

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The hymns can be found in the blue 1982 Hymnal. Other hymns will be marked accordingly.*

**Voluntary**

*Voluntary in B Flat*

Jonathan Battishill

*Please stand.*

**Processional Hymn 445**

*Praise to the Holiest in the height*

Gerontius

**The Confession of Sin and Absolution**

**BCP 352**

**Celebrant:** 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 INVITATORY AND PSALTER

**Preces**

Richard Shepherd

**Officiant:** O Lord open thou our lips,  
**Choir:** And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.  
**Officiant:** O God make speed to save us,  
**Choir:** O Lord make haste to help us.  
**Officiant:** Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.  
**Choir:** As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end, Amen.  
**Officiant:** Praise ye the Lord.  
**Choir:** The Lord's Name be praised.

*Please be seated.*

**Psalm 126** (*sung by the choir*)

***In convertendo***

- 1 When the Lord turned again the captivity of Sion  
then were we like unto them that dream.
- 2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter  
and our tongue with joy.

- 3 Then said they among the heathen  
The Lord hath done great things for them.
- 4 Yea, the Lord hath done great things for us already  
whereof we rejoice.
- 5 Turn our captivity, O Lord  
as the rivers in the south.
- 6 They that sow in tears  
shall reap in joy.
- 7 He that now goeth on his way weeping, and beareth forth good seed  
shall doubtless come again with joy, and bring his sheaves with him.

*Please stand.*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

### **The First Reading: Isaiah 43: 16-21**

**Reader:** A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah

Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

*Please stand.*

### **Canticle Hymn**

*A Song of Penitence*

Kingsfold

1 O Lord who rules the heaven's hosts,  
O God of Abraham,  
Lord God of Isaac, Jacob, and  
Of all their righteous clan;  
You made the heavens and formed the earth  
With all their vast array;  
Before you all things quake with fear  
And tremble in dismay.

2 But yet your love surpasses all  
The measure of our mind;  
You, Lord, are patient, merciful,  
And infinitely kind.  
You do not judge as we deserve,  
And in your goodness, Lord,  
You offer pardon that we may  
Repent and be restored.

3 And now, O Lord, I bend my knee  
And make my sure appeal;  
For I have sinned, Lord, and I know  
My wickedness too well.  
I therefore make this prayer to you:  
Forgive me, Lord, forgive;  
Let me not perish in my sin,  
Nor let me die but live.

4 All contrite hearts have you as God,  
In me your love is shown;  
I, though unworthy, shall be saved,  
Thus is your love made known.  
I sing your praise unceasingly,  
Both now and all my days.  
The powers of heaven sing your praise;  
And glory age to age.

*Please be seated.*

## The Epistle Reading: Philippians 3: 4b-14

**Reader:** A Reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**Canticle 10** (*sung by the choir*)

*The Second Song of Isaiah*

Norman Mealy

*Quaerite Dominum*

*Isaiah 55:6-11*

Seek the Lord while he wills to be found;  
call upon him when he draws near.  
Let the wicked forsake their ways  
and the evil ones their thoughts;  
And let them turn to the Lord, and he will have compassion,  
and to our God, for he will richly pardon.  
For my thoughts are not your thoughts,  
nor your ways my ways, says the Lord.  
For as the heavens are higher than the earth,  
so are my ways higher than your ways,  
and my thoughts than your thoughts.  
For as rain and snow fall from the heavens  
and return not again, but water the earth,  
Bringing forth life and giving growth,  
seed for sowing and bread for eating,  
So is my word that goes forth from my mouth;  
it will not return to me empty;  
But it will accomplish that which I have purposed,  
and prosper in that for which I sent it.

## The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 12: 1-8

**Priest:** A reading from the Gospel according to John

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

**Priest:** The Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

*Please stand.*

## The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.  
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## THE PRAYERS

### Responses

Richard Shepherd

*The people stand or kneel.*

**Officiant:** The Lord be with you.

**Choir:** And with thy Spirit.

**Officiant:** Let us pray.

**Choir:** Lord have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us.

## **The Lord's Prayer** (*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, and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

## **The Suffrages**

**Officiant:** O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us,  
**Choir:** And grant us thy salvation.  
**Officiant:** O Lord, save the State,  
**Choir:** And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.  
**Officiant:** Endue thy ministers with righteousness,  
**Choir:** And make thy chosen people joyful.  
**Officiant:** O Lord save thy people,  
**Choir:** And bless thine inheritance.  
**Officiant:** Give peace in our time O Lord,  
**Choir:** Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou O God.  
**Officiant:** O God, make clean our hearts within us,  
**Choir:** And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

## **The Collect of the Day**

O Almighty God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men: Grant unto thy people that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## **A Collect for Peace**

O God, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom: Defend us, thy humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## **A Collect for Grace**

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day: Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that we, being ordered by thy governance, may do always what is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*Please be seated.*

**The Sermon**

**The Reverend Michael Singer**

**Announcements**

**Offertory Anthem**

*There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*  
*Text found on page 469 of the Hymnal.*

Maurice Bevan

*Members of the congregation will present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.*  
*If you would like to give electronically, please turn to page 10 for the QR code.*  
*Today's undesignated funds go toward the Rector's discretionary fund.*

**Presentation Hymn**

*Doxology*

Rockingham

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.

**Closing Prayers**

**The Reverend Catherine Powell**

**The General Thanksgiving**

*Officiant and People*

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we thine unworthy servants  
do give thee most humble and hearty thanks  
for all thy goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all men.  
We bless thee for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for thine inestimable 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 beseech thee,  
give us that due sense of all thy mercies,  
that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful;  
and that we show forth thy praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to thy service,  
and by walking before thee  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,  
be all honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

**The Blessing**

**Closing Hymn 149**

*Eternal Lord of love, behold your church*

Old 124th

## The Dismissal

**Celebrant:** Let us bless the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

## Voluntary

*Fugue (Sonata #6)*

William Walong

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### SERVICE PARTICIPANTS AT 10:30 AM

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#### **Officiant**

The Reverend Caleb J. Lee

#### **Preacher**

The Reverend Michael Singer

#### **Assisting**

The Reverend Catherine Powell

#### **Verger**

Leon Tillery

#### **Altar Server**

Chip Carter

#### **Crucifer**

Cabe Lee

#### **Lectors**

Sally Pope, Marshall Foster

#### **Ushers**

Phillip Weiss, Dewitt Dees, Shannon Rowe

Dick Rowe, Ron Miller

#### **Greeters**

Barbara Bucci, Ruth Gates

#### **Flower Guild**

Marie Ashworth, Beth Richards

#### **Altar Guild**

Cheryl Wagoner, Margaret Haughey

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### ST. PAUL'S PRAYER LIST

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#### In our parish

Earl Craig	Tammy Pollock
Fr. John Cawthorne	Lyle Sullivan
Judy Farri	William Murphy
Joe Farri	Jenny DuBois
Alice Calder	Carrie Anderson-Kincaid
Rus Kirk	Dale Curran
Elaine Francis	Kathryn Hedgepeth
Merry Ann Wright	JoAnn Summey
Larry Wright	Ronald Miller
Scotty Galganowicz	Barbara O'Rourke
Bill Waterfield	Thomas Freeling

#### People requesting prayer

Tracy Calhoun Sorrenti	Bryce Harrelson
Tammy Tilghman	Michael Justice
Sharon O'Rourke Berry	Ken Crawford
Richard O'Rourke	Gina Lewis
Glenda Snowa	Carol Findlay
Velma Farrior	Chervonne Miller
Alice Meeks	Ann & Rodney Strickland
Julienne Bryant	Kathy Keagy
Linda Harris	Tom Gonzalez
The Jackson Family	Dennis Traina & wife

#### For the departed

Michael O'Rourke

#### **About the Prayer List**

Included in our prayers are the names of those for whom prayer has been requested by a parishioner or family member. The reason for being listed is kept confidential. If you would like to add yourself or someone else to the prayer list please reach out to Fr. Caleb Lee or make a prayer request online at our website, [www.spechurch.com](http://www.spechurch.com).

#### **Hospitalization or Pastoral Issues**

Please notify us if you or a family member is hospitalized and/or in need of a pastoral call or visit. Please speak with Fr. Caleb or call the church office at 910-762-4578.

#### **Sharing Holy Communion**

If illness prevents you or a loved one from joining us for regularly scheduled services, Fr. Caleb or a Lay Eucharistic Minister can share Holy Communion either in your home or at a health care facility. Please speak to Fr. Caleb or contact the church office at 910-762-4578.

**Your Matching Gift  
will help send a boy to Baltimore**

The Wilmington Boys Choir of St. Paul's needs your help to raise \$7,000 for our trip to the Baltimore Boychoir Festival, May 13-15. The festival trip is the capstone event for the boys who have been working hard this year, from summer camp, to weekly rehearsals and performances at St. Paul's. The WBC trip will include sightseeing in D.C. and Baltimore. Donate online to [www.wilmingtonboyschoir.org/contribute](http://www.wilmingtonboyschoir.org/contribute) or make your check payable to the WBC and mail to St. Paul's, 16 N. 16th St., Wilmington, NC 28401. Gifts of up to \$3,500 will be matched through a generous gift to the WBC.

**Wilmington Boys Choir ABC Sale**

Help support choral music in Wilmington by donating to the Wilmington Boys Choir's annual Attic, Basement and Closet Sale! The annual sale will be held 8 am to noon on Saturday, May 7.

Preview party is May 6, 5:30 to 7:30 pm. Donations are needed and welcome from 9 am to 4 pm through Friday, May 6 in the POD, located in the Princess Street parking lot of St. Paul's Episcopal Church (16 N. 16th St.) Bring bulky items by 7 am on the day of the sale. Clothes, books, videos or DVDs are not needed and will not be accepted.

For more information, contact Ronnie Wise at [wilmingtonboyschoir@gmail.com](mailto:wilmingtonboyschoir@gmail.com) or call 910-762-4578.

**Special Children's Program**

April 6: What is Holy Week?

In this special children's program during our Lenten series the Rev. Catherine Powell will take children through the events of Holy Week and Easter Sunday using art, simple music, and hands-on activities. This is a great chance to invite children, grandchildren, and friends to come hear the heart of the Christian story.

**Vanco Online Giving**



**Easter Egg Hunt**

Join us on Easter Sunday after the 10:30 am service to hunt easter eggs! Two age groups are invited and will have special areas for their hunts: 1st grade and under will be in the Rectory Garden, and 2nd-5th graders will be on the remaining grounds near the back parking lot. After worship, children and their adults should meet on the steps by the pulpit for instructions. Youth are invited to assist in hiding the eggs before the service, around 9:30 am. Extra bags for collecting will be available for guests, but feel free to bring your own! For more information, contact Martha Whitesides.

**St. Paul's is on the Azalea Tour**

St. Paul's is pleased to be included on the Azalea Festival Home Tour, presented by the Historic Wilmington Foundation as part of the 2022 Azalea Festival.

The dates and times of the tour are as follows:

Saturday, April 9: 12:30 – 6:00 pm

Sunday, April 10: 1:00 – 5:00 pm

Tour tickets are available from the Historic Wilmington Foundation at

<https://www.historicwilmington.org/home-tour/>

**Fine Arts Camp**

June 20-24 | 9 am-12 pm

Accepting boys and girls, rising third through sixth grade. Campers participate in art projects and learn a musical during the week. The week will end with lunch in the parish hall on June 24 at 12:30 pm. Campers will present art-work and music from the week.

**Local Help for Ukraine Continues**

Two area companies, Moto Leader Global and CIL Capital will continue to fill shipping containers with donations to help Ukraine. Items can be dropped off the entire month of April at 1270 Cedar Hill Road in Navassa from 9:30 am-4:30 pm Monday-Friday.

**Episcopal Relief & Development  
Supports Ukraine**

Episcopal Relief & Development continues to work with Anglican and ecumenical partners to provide aid to people displaced in Ukraine. You can support these efforts at [episcopalrelief.org/Ukraine-crisis](http://episcopalrelief.org/Ukraine-crisis).

**Today, Sunday, April 3**

**The Fifth Sunday in Lent**

8:00 am Holy Eucharist  
9:15 am-12 pm Nursery open  
9:30 am-10:15 am Adult Formation (parish hall)  
9:30 am-10:15 am Children's Sunday School  
9:30 am-10:15 am EYC (library)  
10:30 am Choral Matins  
12:00 pm A Church Walk, after the 10:30 am service  
1:30 pm Confirmation Rehearsal  
2:00 pm A Conversation with the Bishop (parish hall)  
3:00 pm Confirmation Service  
followed by a festive reception

**Tuesday, April 5**

7:30 am Jesus and the Disinherited Early  
Bird Book Study  
9:00 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

**Wednesday, April 6**

5:30 pm Rediscovering Holy Week  
Adult & Children's Program

**Thursday, April 7**

9:00 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

**Friday, April 8**

8:00 am Mensgroup

**Saturday, April 9**

12:30 pm Azalea Festival Home Tour

**Holy Week Offerings**

**Sunday, April 10**

**Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday**

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist  
*Sunday School will not be offered on this day*  
10:00 AM The Blessing of the Palms-  
*the congregation gathers in the Parish Hall*  
*for the Liturgy of the Palms, followed by a procession through the*  
*neighborhood*  
10:30 AM Choral Eucharist \*

**Monday, April 11**

**Monday in Holy Week**

12:10 PM Stations of the Cross

**Tuesday, April 12**

**Tuesday in Holy Week**

12:10 PM Stations of the Cross

**Wednesday, April 13**

**Wednesday in Holy Week**

12:10 Holy Eucharist

**Thursday, April 14**

**Maundy Thursday**

12:10 PM Stations of the Cross  
7:00 PM The Institution of the Lord's Supper

**Friday, April 15**

**Good Friday**

12:10 PM The Liturgy for Good Friday  
7:30 PM The Seven Last Words of Christ  
by Théodore Dubois  
*Featuring the Choir of St. Paul's, Constance Paolantonio, soprano,*  
*Melvin Eggzell, tenor,*  
*John Dooley, baritone, and Richard Rhoads, organist.*  
*Free*

**Saturday, April 16 - Easter Eve**

8:00 PM The Great Vigil of Easter  
with the Blessing of the Easter Fire

**Sunday, April 17**

**Easter Sunday The Feast of the Resurrection**

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist with Hymns  
10:00 AM Pre-service music with Flowering of the Cross  
10:30 AM Choral Eucharist \*  
*followed by an Easter Egg Hunt in the Rectory Garden*

\* Nursery is provided



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The Reverend Caleb J. Lee, Rector

The Reverend Catherine Powell, Priest Associate

The Reverend Michael Singer, Pastoral Associate

Ronnie D. Wise, Director of Music and Organist

Richard Rhoads, Assistant Director of Music and Organist

Diane Matz-Kane, Financial Secretary

### **St. Paul's Vestry**

Bill Anlyan, Rector's (Sr.) Warden

Chip Carter, People's (Jr.) Warden

Layne Dupree Sally Pope

Ashley Eason Tom Sramek

Matt Langley Rhonda Stroud

Steve Martin Meaghan Thomas

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