ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE CITY OF WILMINGTON
THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA



INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

JULY 3, 2022

8:00 a.m. HOLY EUCHARIST 10:30 a.m. CHORAL EUCHARIST

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.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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

Our worship service can be found in the red Book of Common Prayer (BCP).

Please silence all electronic devices before the liturgy begins.

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SERVICE PARTICIPANTS at 8:00 AM

Celebrant and Preacher
The Reverend Caleb J. Lee
Altar Server
Cheryl Wagoner

Lector
Joan Rosko Miller
Greeter/Usher
Tom Gerow

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Voluntary Variations on "America" Pierce Dickens

Processional Hymn 718 God of our fathers National Hymn

THE WORD OF GOD

The Acclamation and Response

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant: All kings shall bow down before God. **People:** All the nations shall serve the Lord.

The Collect for Purity (said together)

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*.

Hymn

O say can you see, by the dawn's early light

National Anthem

Oh say can you see, by the dawn's early light, what so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming, whose broad stripes and bright stars, through the perilous fight, o'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming? And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air, gave proof through the night that our flag was still there.

O say does that star-spangled banner yet wave o'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant: Lord God Almighty, you have made all the peoples of the earth for your glory, to serve you

in freedom and in peace: Give to the people of our country a zeal for justice and the strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever

and ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

The First Reading: Deuteronomy 10: 17-21

Reader: A Reading from the book of Deuteronomy

The Lord your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who is not partial and takes no bribe, who executes justice for the orphan and the widow, and who loves the strangers, providing them food and clothing. You shall also love the stranger, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt. You shall fear the Lord your God; him alone you shall worship; to him you shall hold fast, and by his name you shall swear. He is your praise; he is your God, who has done for you these great and awesome things that your own eyes have seen.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

Psalm 145: 1-9 Exaltabo te, Deus

1 I will exalt you, O God my King, and bless your Name for ever and ever.

2 Every day will I bless you and praise your Name for ever and ever.

3 Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; there is no end to his greatness.

4 One generation shall praise your works to another and shall declare your power.

5 I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty and all your marvelous works.

6 They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts, and I will tell of your greatness.

7 They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; they shall sing of your righteous deeds.

8 The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and of great kindness.

9 The Lord is loving to everyone and his compassion is over all his works.

The Second Reading: Hebrews 11: 8-16

Reader: A Reading from the letter to the Hebrews

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old-- and Sarah herself was barren-- because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore." All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

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Gradual Hymn 719

O beautiful for spacious skies

Materna

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 5: 43-48

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "You have heard that it was said, You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy." But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your Father in heaven; for he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the righteous and on the unrighteous. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect."

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Traise to you, Lord Chils

The Sermon

The Reverend Caleb J. Lee

Please stand.

The Apostles Creed Nettleton

We believe in God the Father, God almighty, by whose plan earth and heaven sprang to being all created things began. We believe in Christ the Savior, Son of God in human frame, virgin-born, the child of Mary upon whom the Spirit came. Christ, who on the cross forsaken, like a lamb to slaughter led, suffered under Pontius Pilate, he descended to the dead. We believe in Jesus risen, Heaven's king to rule and reign, to the Father's side ascended till as judge he comes again.

We believe in God the Spirit; in one Church, below, above: saints of God in one communion, One in holiness and love. So by faith, our sins forgiven, Christ our Savior, Lord and friend, we shall rise with him in glory to the life that knows no end.

The Prayers of the People

Celebrant: Almighty and eternal God, to whom we must all give account, we entrust to you the

citizens of this nation; that we may be faithful to the mind of Christ and seek in all our purposes to enrich our common life saying "Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer."

Celebrant: We pray for the leaders of the nations, that you will guide them in the ways of freedom,

justice and truth.

Lord, in your mercy

People: hear our prayer.

Celebrant: We pray for those who bear arms on behalf of our nation, that they may have discipline and

discernment, courage and compassion.

Lord, in your mercy

People: hear our prayer.

Celebrant: We pray for our enemies, and those who wish us harm, that you will turn the hearts of all to

kindness and friendship.

Lord, in your mercy

People: hear our prayer.

Celebrant: We pray for unity in all that seeks to divide us, and the healing of America's wounds:

especially racism, gun violence, and political polarization. We pray that peace, safety, and the

torch of liberty may be spread to all the people of this land.

Lord in your mercy

People: hear our prayer.

Celebrant: We pray for the wounded and the captive, the grieving and the homeless, that in all their

trials they may know your love and support. We lift up those in our parish who need our prayers; especially (the intercessor reads the names of those in our parish that need our prayers).

Lord, in your mercy

People: hear our prayer.

Celebrant: For our ancestors in this land, and for all the dying and the dead.

Lord, in your mercy

People: hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Almighty God, whose wisdom and whose love are over all, accept the prayers we offer for

our nation. Give integrity to its citizens and wisdom to those in authority, that harmony and justice may be secured in obedience to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

The Confession of Sin BCP 361

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 Peace

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Announcements

O how amiable are thy dwellings; thou Lord of hosts!

My soul hath a desire and longing to enter in to the courts of the Lord:

My heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young: Even thy altars O Lord of hosts, my king and my God.

Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: They will be always praising thee.

The glorious majesty of the Lord our God be upon us: prosper thou the work of our hands upon us.

O prosper thou our handy work, o prosper thou our handy work.

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.

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 14 for the QR code. Today's undesignated funds go toward the Rector's Discretionary Fund.

Presentation Hymn 717

My country, 'tis of thee

America

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer A)

BCP 361

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.

the name of the Lord.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our great High Priest; in whom we are built up as living stones of a holy temple, that we might offer before you a sacrifice of praise and prayer which is holy and pleasing in your sight.

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:



The people stand or kneel.

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Ho-san - na in

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died,

Christ is risen,

Christ will come again;

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. *AMEN*.

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

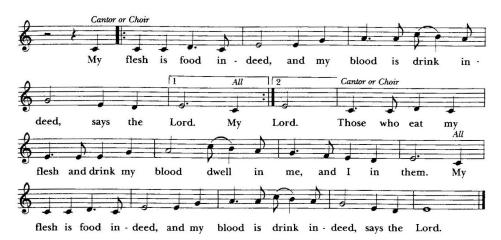
The Lord's Prayer BCP 364

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 S169



Celebrant:

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Invitation to Communion

Agnus Dei

O Lamb of God

Adrian Batten

O Lamb of God who takest away the sins of the world Have mercy on us, have mercy on us, and grant to us your peace.

The Communion of the People

Communion of both kinds is offered at the Altar Rail and the Baptistry. If you do not wish to receive communion please cross your arms for a blessing. Gluten free wafers are available at every station.

Communion Anthem

I vow to Thee, my country

Gustav Holst

I vow to thee, my country, all earthly things above,
Entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love;
The love that asks no questions, the love that stands the test,
That lays upon the altar the dearest and the best;
The love that never falters, the love that pays the price,
The love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.
And there's another country, I've heard of long ago,
Most dear to them that love her, most great to them that know;
We may not count her armies, we may not see her King;
Her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering;
And soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase,
And her ways are ways of gentleness, and all her paths are peace.

The congregation is invited to sing the communion hymns

Communion Hymn 517

How lovely is they dwelling place

Brother James' Air

Communion Hymn 529

In Christ there is no East or West

McKee

The people stand or kneel.

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 Blessing

Processional Hymn 680

O God, our help in ages past

St. Anne

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Voluntary Stars and Stripes forever

John Phillip Sousa arr. E. Power Biggs

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS AT 10:30 AM

Celebrant

The Reverend Catherine Powell

Preacher

The Reverend Caleb J. Lee

Verger

Leon Tillery

Crucifer

Chip Carter, Hazel Lee

Gospel Book Bearer

Bennett Sanders-Park

Altar Server

Ruth Gates

Eucharistic Ministers

Ruth Gates, Chip Carter

Lectors

Louise Buck, Marshall Foster

Intercessor

Spencer Weig

Ushers

Kenny Harkness, Jane Harkness

Ron Miller, Lynda Miller,

Don Bobo

Greeters

Maryelle Jones, Zona Tounsley

Flower Guild

Beth Richards, Marie Ashworth

Altar Guild

Cheryl Wagoner, Margaret Haughey

ST. PAUL'S PRAYER LIST

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

Merry Ann Wright
Larry Wright
Lindsay Joines
Richard Rhoads
David Heath
JoAnn Summey
Barbara O'Rourke
Katherine Ramsey
Marcia Wolf
Jamie Cook
Tom Freeling

People requesting prayer

Tracy Calhoun Sorrenti
Tammy Tilghman
Sharon O'Rourke Berry
Richard O'Rourke
Alice Meeks
Sorrenti
Bryce Harrelson
Michael Justice
Gina Lewis
Carol Findlay
Chervonne Miller

Julienne Bryant Ann & Rodney Strickland

Linda Harris Kathy Keagy
The Jackson Family Tom Gonzalez
Dennis Traina & wife Barbara Holland
Kevin Graham Carroll Joines

Major Jennifer Jantzi Dr. Everette Cameron

James Graham James

Deepak Dey Baby Noah Glassman

Amy & Tommy Post Chris Cole

For the departed

Joyce Weiss

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.

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.

ST. PAUL'S CALENDAR

Today, Sunday, July 3 The Independence Day Celebration

8:00 am Holy Eucharist

9:15 am - 12 pm Nursery open

10:30 am Choral Eucharist

Reception to follow in the parish hall

11:30 am From the Archives: A Church Walk

Meet in the back of the church after the 10:30 am service

Monday, July 4

The church office is closed.

Tuesday, July 5

9:00 am Morning Prayer

Wednesday, July 6

12:10 pm Holy Eucharist

Thursday, July 7

9:00 am Morning Prayer

Friday, July 8

8:00 am Mensgroup

Next Sunday, July 10

8:00 am Holy Eucharist

9:15 am - 12 pm Nursery open

10:30 am Choral Eucharist

Reception to follow in the parish hall

COMING UP AT ST. PAUL'S

JULY 13 & 20

Yes Day!



Always feeling like they have to say NO to their kids and co-workers, Allison and Carlos decide to give their three kids a YES DAY -- where for 24 hours the kids make the rules. Little did they know that they'd be going on a whirlwind adventure around Los Angeles, that would bring the family closer to each other than ever before.

5:30 Pizza and Conversation 6:00 – 7:00 Movie 7:00 – 7:30

GNP & ST. FIACRE GARDEN GUILD LANDSCAPE WORK DAY

Our combined groups will meet on Thursday, July 21 from 9am - 12 noon. We are in need of volunteers and welcome those who have assisted us in the past as well as newcomers

to our parish family to be a part of this worthwhile and joyful ministry. Please join us in beautifying our green spaces. Please contact Patt Scherer psecherer8@aol.com

text 301-606-3937

"Telling Your Story"

using the Guided Autobiography method led by Rev. Mary McKnight

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7 Saturdays, September 10-October 22 Cost: \$25 for supplies

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Space is limited to 12
Registration deadline is August 31
St. Paul's Episcopal Church

To sign up contact Mary McKnight

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ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

FEAST OF

MARY MAGDALENE

FRIDAY, JULY 22

Midday Eucharist
12:10 pm

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Community of Hope

If you are new to St. Paul's Church and have been trained in the Community of Hope ministry, or received training at St. Paul's a few years ago, please contact Father Singer @ 910-762-4578 or pastoral-care@spechurch.com



PRAYER VIGIL

Against racially motivated and gun violence

Church of the Good Shepherd

Episcopal Church Sanctuary

515 Queen Street

Wilmington, NC

July 21, 2022 | 6:30-7:30 pm

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ST. PAUL'S WELCOMES YOU

We are glad you are 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. Here are some quick facts that may be helpful.

Welcome: All are welcome to receive communion. If you prefer not to receive, you can remain seated, or come forward with your arms crossed to receive a blessing. If you are allergic to wheat products, gluten-free communion bread is available. Please let your request be known to the priest as you approach the altar rail.

Help: Please see any of our ushers for assistance when you enter the worship area.

Handicapped Parking: Our facility is handicapped accessible with multiple handicapped parking spaces available in the lot off Market Street and the lot off Princess Street. Handicap ramps serve both parking lots.

Live-Streamed: Our service is livestreamed on YouTube on Sundays at 10:30 am Please subscribe to St. Paul's on YouTube to view live-streamed services and concerts.

Masks: All may, none must, some should.

Worship: St. Paul's follows the services outlined in the Book of Common Prayer 1979. The services include Old and New Testament readings, a reading from the Gospel, a sermon and traditional communion.

Children: All children are welcome and encouraged to attend any of our services.

Worship Kits: Bags and boxes are located in the back of the church for different ages to use in the pew, including our children's worship bulletin, *The Sunday Paper*. Please return when church is over.

Nursery: The nursery is open most Sundays from 9:15 am to Noon upstairs in the Children's wing. The nursery is for infants to age 5.

Sunday School: Sunday School will return on Sunday, September 11 from 9:30-10:15 am upstairs in the Children's Wing for ages 4-11.

Episcopal Youth Community (EYC): EYC will return on Sunday,

September 11 from 9:30-10:15 am in the library for 6th grade and older.

Welcome to St. Paul's!

We are delighted that you have joined us to worship and have expressed an interest in st. paul's. please fill out this card and drop it in the offering plate or give it to one of our greeters.

Date:

Greeter:

NAME: MR. MRS. MS.

ADDRESS:

PHONE:

CHILDREN/YOUTH NAMES AND AGES:

PLEASE CHECK ALL APPLICABLE SPACES:

First-time Visitor

Returning Visitor

A Newcomer's Ministry Member may call me



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