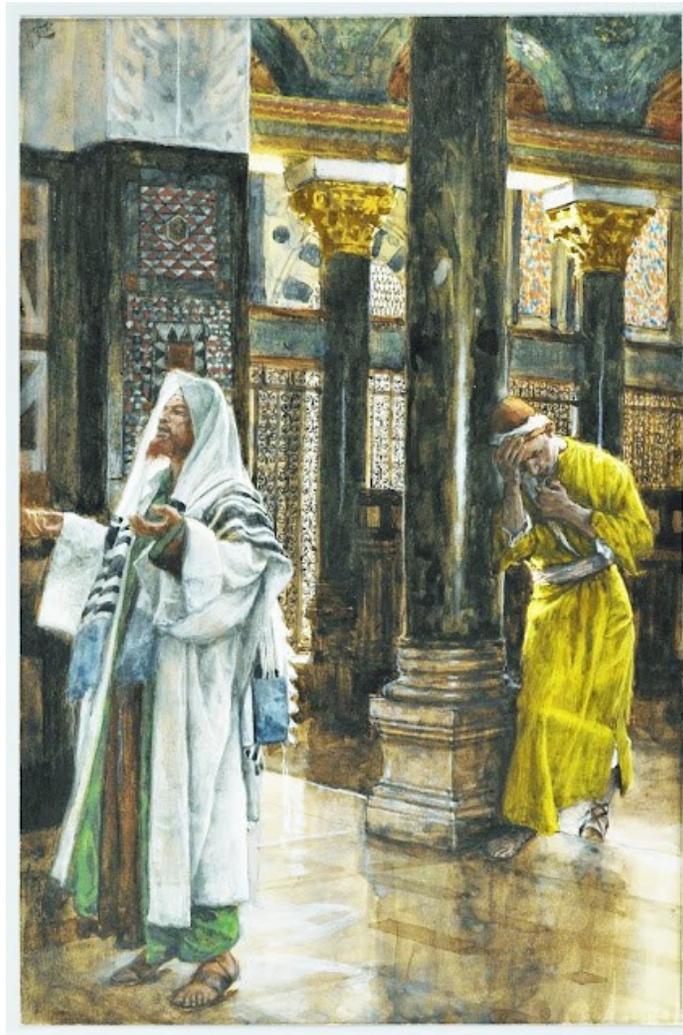


# ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE CITY OF WILMINGTON  
THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA



## THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

OCTOBER 23, 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.*

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# 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

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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.*

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### SERVICE PARTICIPANTS at 8:00 AM

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**Celebrant**  
The Reverend Caleb J. Lee

**Altar Server/Lector**  
Carol Field

**Greeter/Usher**  
Linda Collette

**Preacher**  
The Reverend Catherine Powell

# ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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## 10:30 AM CHORAL EUCHARIST RITE II 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** *Berceuse* Louis Vierne

**Introit** *O Come, Ye Servants of the Lord* Christopher Tye

O come, ye servants of the Lord, and praise his holy name; from early morn to setting sun his might on earth proclaim. His laws are just and glad the heart; he makes his mercies known: Ye princes come, ye people, too, and bow before his throne.

**Processional Hymn 362** *Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!* Nicaea

### THE WORD OF GOD

#### The Acclamation and Response

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

#### 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.*

**Gloria** *Glory to God* Mass of St. Thomas

**Moderato** *ff*

Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the High-est.

Glo-ry to God in the High - est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God,

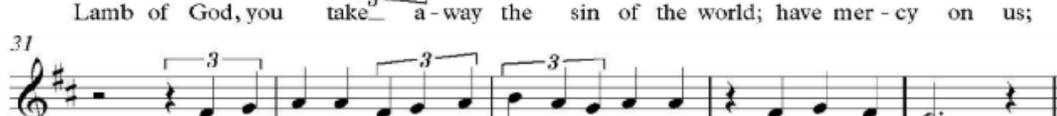
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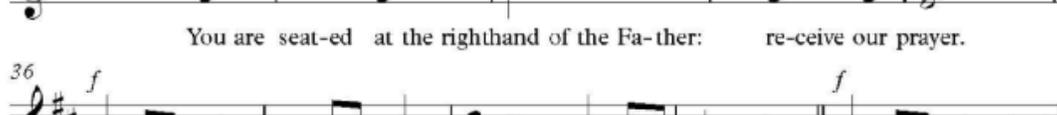
praise you for your glo - ry. *f* Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the

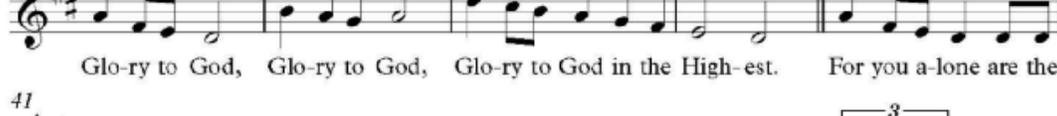
High-est. *mf* Lord, Je - sus Christ, on-ly son of the Fa-ther. Lord God,

27  

 Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us;

31  

 You are seat-ed at the righthand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.

36  

 Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the High-est. For you a-lone are the

41  

 Ho - ly one, You a - lone are the Lord, You a-lone are the most high,

46  

 Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the Glo-ry of God the

50  

 Fa - ther. Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the High - est.

### The Collect of the Day

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

**People:** And also with you.

**Celebrant:** Let us pray.

**Celebrant:** Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; 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: Joel 2: 23-32

**Reader:** A Reading from the book of Joel

O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the Lord your God; for he has given the early rain for your indication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame. Then afterward I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. Even on the male and female slaves, in those days, I will pour out my spirit. I will show portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved; for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the Lord has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the Lord calls.

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

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**Psalm 65: 1-8**

*Te decet hymnus*

- 1 You are to be praised, O God, in Zion;  
to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem.
- 2 To you that hear prayer shall all flesh come,  
because of their transgressions.
- 3 Our sins are stronger than we are,  
but you will blot them out.
- 4 Happy are they whom you choose  
and draw to your courts to dwell there!  
they will be satisfied by the beauty of your house,  
by the holiness of your temple.
- 5 Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness,  
O God of our salvation,  
O Hope of all the ends of the earth  
and of the seas that are far away.
- 6 You make fast the mountains by your power;  
they are girded about with might.
- 7 You still the roaring of the seas,  
the roaring of their waves,  
and the clamor of the peoples.
- 8 Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your marvelous signs;  
you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy.

**The Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 16-18**

**Reader:** A Reading from Paul's second letter to Timothy

I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

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

**People:** Thanks be to God.

*Please stand.*

**Gradual Hymn 688**

*A mighty fortress is our God*

Ein feste Burg

**The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 18: 9-14**

**People:** Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be

merciful to me, a sinner!" I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

**Gospeller:** The Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## The Sermon

The Reverend Catherine Powell

*Please stand.*

## The Apostles Creed *(sung together)*

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 *(adapted from Intercessions from the Christian People)*

**Celebrant:** Grateful for our blessings, determined in our mission, expectant for fulfillment, let the church cry out to God, saying: Lord, have mercy.

**Intercessor:** For faithfulness, that the Church may trust in God's promise and live in confident obedience. We pray for Rob our bishop, Michael our presiding bishop, Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, and the clergy of St. Paul's. In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for All Saints in Southern Shores. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo, let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** *Lord, have mercy.*

**Intercessor:** For openness in reaching out to all people, that together we may walk out of darkness into God's light. We pray especially for an end to war in Ukraine, let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** *Lord, have mercy.*

**Intercessor:** For humility, that we glory only in God's forgiving, generous love, let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** *Lord, have mercy.*

**Intercessor:** For perseverance, that we daily seek out all who are hurt and cry and are in need, let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** *Lord, have mercy.*

**Intercessor:** For comfort for all those in any need; for health for the sick and food for the hungry. We pray especially for our Blessing Box ministry and all feeding programs in Wilmington. We pray for *(the intercessor reads aloud the names of those in our parish that need our prayers)*; that touched by God they may shine with the brilliance of God's light, let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** *Lord, have mercy.*

**Intercessor:** Blessed are those who have fought the good fight and now share in the wondrous vision God promised from the beginning, especially Jazmine Shaw and Sharon O'Rourke Berry. That we may keep them always in our sight, eager for the day of our joyous reunion, let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** Lord, have mercy.

## A Collect for Stewardship *(prayed together)*

Almighty God, whose nature it is to give freely and generously. Grant us the lamp of charity which never fails, that it may burn in us and shed its light on those around us, and that by its brightness we may have a vision of that holy City, where dwells the true and never-failing light, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## The Confession of Sin

BCP 360

**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.

## Stewardship Moment

Spencer Weig

## Announcements

## Offertory Anthem

*All My Hope On God Is Founded*  
*(Text found on page 665 of the hymnal)*

Arr. John Rutter

*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

*Angel-Voices*

E. G. Monk (1819-1900)

5 Hon - or, glo - ry, might and mer - it thine shall ev - er be.

9 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit, bless - ed Tri - ni - ty.

Of the best that thou hast giv - en, Earth and Hea - ven ren - der thee.

## 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.

*The celebrant continues with the preface of the day.*

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:

### Sanctus and Benedictus

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

Mass of St. Thomas

**Moderato** *mf*

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of po - wer and might,

6 Hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na

11 in the high - est. Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the

16 Lord. Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The people stand or kneel.*

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,

**All:** 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, reconcile all things in Christ and make them new 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.

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 for ever. 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

*Cantor or Choir*  
My flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in -  
deed, says the Lord. *All* My Lord. *Cantor or Choir* Those who eat my *All*  
flesh and drink my blood dwell in me, and I in them. My  
flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in - deed, says the Lord.

**Celebrant:** The Gifts of God for the People of God.

**Invitation to Communion**

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 stations are available at the altar rail and in the baptistry. To receive the consecrated Bread, extend your hands upward, palms crossed. When receiving the Wine, please assist the chalice as it is offered; or, having consumed the Bread, you may return to your seat. We believe Christ fully present in either element. If you prefer not to receive the Sacrament, you may ask for a blessing. Gluten-free wafers are available. Please speak to a priest when you come forward for Communion.*

### Communion Anthem

*Blessed Are the Pure in Heart*

H. Walford Davies

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see our God. The secret of the Lord is theirs, their soul is Christ's abode. Still to the lowly soul he doth himself impart, and for his cradle and his throne chooseth the pure in heart.

*The congregation is invited to sing the communion hymns*

**Communion Hymn 318**

*Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face*

Nyack

**Communion Hymn 704**

*O thou who camest from above*

Hereford

*Please stand.*

*If Eucharistic Visitors are being sent forth today to take the Sacrament to people at home, the following prayer is said after Communion.*

#### Prayer for Eucharistic Visitors

**Priest:** In the name of God, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

**People:** We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup. Amen.

### The Post Communion Prayer *(said together)*

**BCP 365**

*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 522**

*Glorious things of thee are spoken*

Austria

### The Dismissal

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

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**Voluntary**

*Poco Vivace (Kleine Praeludien un Intermezzi)*

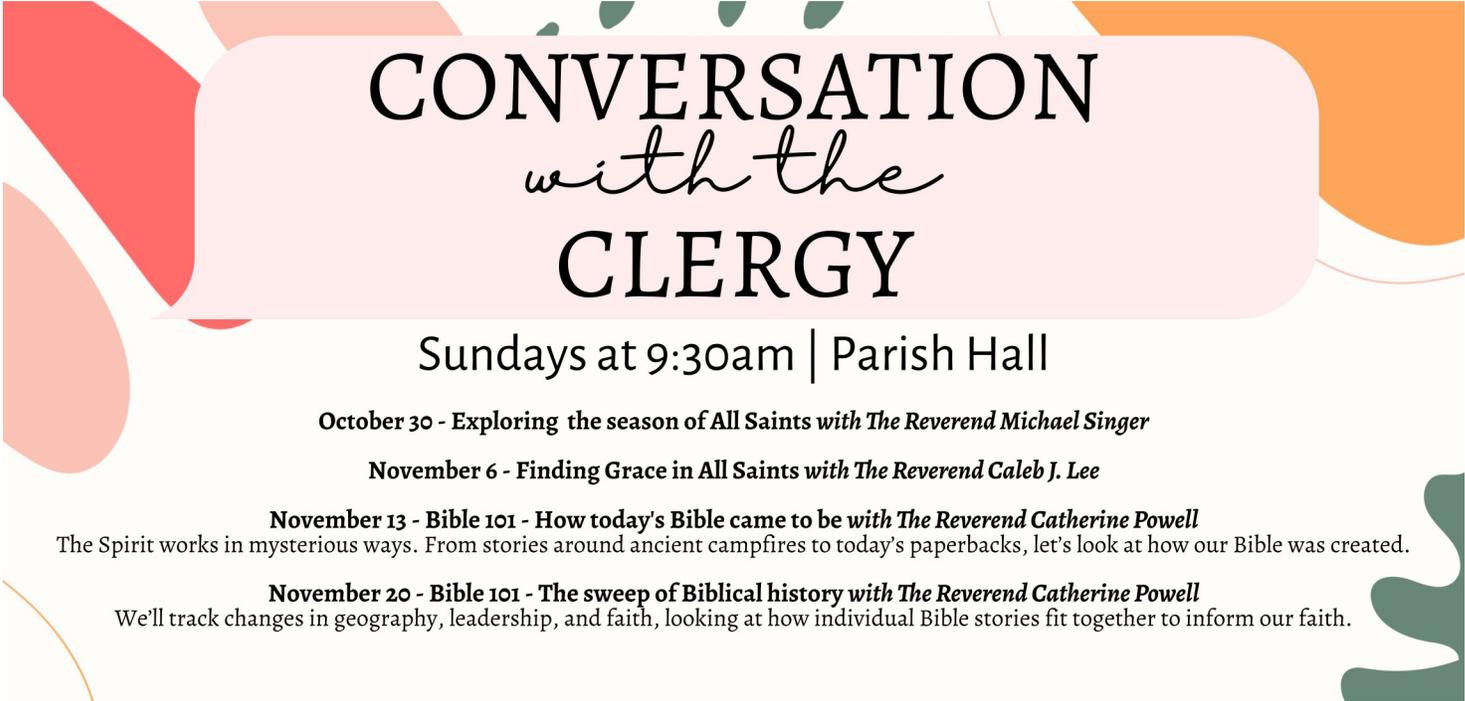
Hermann Schroeder

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SERVICE PARTICIPANTS AT 10:30 AM

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<b>Celebrant</b> The Reverend Caleb J. Lee	<b>Altar Server</b> Carolyn Demorest	<b>Intercessor</b> Dewitt Dees	<b>Greeters</b> Barbara Bucci
<b>Preacher</b> The Reverend Catherine Powell	<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b> Carolyn Demorest	<b>Ushers</b> Kenny Harkness	Martha Silberman
<b>Verger</b> Jeffrey Hughes	Cabe Lee	Jane Harkness	<b>Flower Guild</b> David Frederiksen
<b>Crucifer</b> Chip Carter	<b>Lectors</b> Riley Peers	Jeffrey Sackrison	<b>Altar Guild</b> Cheryl Wagoner
<b>Gospel Book Bearer</b> Hazel Lee	Marie Ashworth	David Fowle	Margaret Haughey
		Mark Tedesco	Barbara Banks
			Barbara Bucci



# CONVERSATION *with the* CLERGY

Sundays at 9:30am | Parish Hall

October 30 - Exploring the season of All Saints with *The Reverend Michael Singer*

November 6 - Finding Grace in All Saints with *The Reverend Caleb J. Lee*

November 13 - Bible 101 - How today's Bible came to be with *The Reverend Catherine Powell*

The Spirit works in mysterious ways. From stories around ancient campfires to today's paperbacks, let's look at how our Bible was created.

November 20 - Bible 101 - The sweep of Biblical history with *The Reverend Catherine Powell*

We'll track changes in geography, leadership, and faith, looking at how individual Bible stories fit together to inform our faith.

In our parish

Earl Craig	Tammy Pollock
Fr. John Cawthorne	Lyle Sullivan
Judy Farri	William Murphy
Joe Farri	Carrie Anderson-Kincaid
Alice Calder	Dale Curran
Rus Kirk	JoAnn Summey
Merry Ann Wright	Barbara O'Rourke
Larry Wright	Katherine Ramsey
Tom Freeling	Tom Sramek
Karen DeJarld	Merrily Leonard
Norman LaSalle	Diane Trubia
Elaine Francis	Susan Carter

People requesting prayer

Tracy Calhoun Sorrenti	Kathy Keagy
Tammy Tilghman	Tom Gonzalez
Richard O'Rourke	Barbara Holland
Major Jennifer Jantzi	Carroll Joines
James Graham	Dr. Everette Cameron
Stacy Neal	James
Bryce Harrelson	Lena & Ryan
Michael Justice	Shirley Joseph
Gina Lewis	Tim Harrison
Carol Findlay	Patricia Noble
Gracie Sage	Susan Richards Frederick
Sherry Herman	Sandy Veale
Greyson Chapman	Dennis Traina
Thomas Ramey Watson	Kristen Keen
Tonya Justice	Rebecca Eagen
Rick Taylor	Liz Duckrow
Joe Cerquiera	

For the departed

Sharon O'Rourke Berry  
Jazmine Shaw

**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. All parish prayer requests are listed on the prayer list for one month. The complete list of those in need of our prayer are remembered weekly at our 12:10 pm Wednesday Eucharist with Healing Prayers. 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).

**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.

**Today, Sunday, October 23****The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost**

8:00 am Holy Eucharist

*Breakfast to follow in the parish hall*

9:15 am - 12 pm Nursery open

9:30 am Adult Faith Formation (*parish hall*)

9:30 am Children's Sunday School (*upstairs in children's wing*)

9:30 am Episcopal Youth Community EYC (*library*)

10:30 am Choral Eucharist

*Reception to follow in the parish hall*

1:00 pm \*King Richard's Estate Sale (*parish hall*)

**Monday, October 24****Tuesday, October 25**

7:30 am Early-Bird Book Group

9:00 am Morning Prayer

6:00 pm Wilmington Boys Choir Rehearsal + Dinner

**Wednesday, October 26**

12:10 pm Midday Eucharist

*Light lunch to follow in the parish hall*

7:00 pm Adult Choir Practice

**Thursday, October 27**

9:00 am Morning Prayer

9:00 am GNP

11:00 am Rector's Bible Study (*parish hall*)

1:00 pm Sharon O'Rourke Berry Funeral

**Friday, October 28**

8:00 am Mensgroup

12:10 pm St. Simon & St. Jude Festal Eucharist

7:30 pm Carolyn Craig Organ Recital

**Saturday, October 29**

9:15 am Guided Autobiography

3 - 6 pm Saints in the Street Block Party

**Next Sunday, October 30**

8:00 am Holy Eucharist with

*Breakfast to follow in the parish hall*

9:15 am - 12 pm Nursery open

9:30 am Adult Faith Formation (*parish hall*)

9:30 am Children's Sunday School (*upstairs in children's wing*)

9:30 am Episcopal Youth Community EYC (*library*)

10:30 am Choral Eucharist with Blessing of the Costumes

*Reception to follow in the parish hall*

\* In addition to the items from Richard Rhoads' estate, we have some holiday (mostly Christmas) items left over from last spring that we are including. All proceeds will help defray expenses for the choir's week at Wells Cathedral next July.

**Hospitalization or Pastoral Issues**

Please notify us if you or a family member are 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.

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## COMING UP AT ST. PAUL'S

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### **THE RECTOR'S BIBLE STUDY THURSDAYS | 11AM**

Join Fr. Lee in the Parish Hall for a look at the upcoming readings from our Sunday lectionary. Bring your lunch, your perspective, and your Bible. Thursday's at 11am in the Parish Hall.

### **EARLY BIRD BOOK STUDY TUESDAYS | 7:30AM**

Join us as we discuss the book "Pastrix" by Nadia Bolz-Weber. The Early Bird Book Group is for anyone yearning to be in a circle of trust in order to explore their faith together. We meet Tuesday's at 7:30am via Zoom. Contact Julie Martin at 910-262-6401 or [itsjuliemartin@gmail.com](mailto:itsjuliemartin@gmail.com) for more information.

### **SAINTS IN THE STREET SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29 | 3-6PM**

Saints in the Street Block Party is an opportunity for some fun (bounce house, games, music, prizes), fellowship (with some of our neighbors & our St. Paul's family), and, of course, food featuring Off the Hook Barbecue and loads of sides, which we are hoping we can count on you to provide. To keep things simple, think about your last name. If it begins with A-H, we would ask you to bring a large salad. If your last name begins with I-O, we would like for you to bring a large side dish. And last, but certainly not least, P-Z we would love for you to provide desserts. Please remember that we are feeding a crowd, so please consider bringing a hefty dish of whatever you choose to bring in your category. Drinks will be provided.

### **BLESSING OF THE COSTUMES SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30 | 10:30AM**

Come to church in your costume on Sunday, October 30 at 10:30 am and come forward for a blessing. We'll also be collecting snacks for Snipes Elementary School.

### **FROM THE ARCHIVES: A CHURCH WALK SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6 | 11:30AM**

We'll be walking around the church and the Parish House. For newcomers, it's a chance to see where things are. For visitors, it's a bit of architectural and church history. For the rest of us, it's a chance to revisit places not often seen. Everyone's welcome - bring questions! We'll start at the back of the church. Tours take 30-45 minutes.

### **TAIZÉ: SERVICE OF PRAYER, LIGHT & MUSIC THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10 | 5:30PM**

Join us for this solemn prayer service in the Taizé tradition. This ecumenical sung and silent participatory prayer service is designed to achieve a contemplative state through music, song, and silence. With St. Paul's Taizé quartet and organ.

### **VETERANS DAY CONCERT FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11 | 7PM**

The Wilmington Boys Choir will present a Veterans Day concert at St. Paul's. Join us for a reception afterwards in the parish hall.

**MEAL PACKING EVENT  
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12 | 10AM - NOON**  
St. Paul's Episcopal Church is partnering again with Rise Against Hunger to pack meal kits containing rice, soy, 30 vitamins and minerals, and vegetables for hungry people around the world. We are looking for 75 people to pack meal kits at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Please consider a donation towards our meal packaging goal of 10,152 meals and be sure to register at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e4faea92ca2fdc70-save>

### **ALL SAINTS' DAY FESTAL EUCHARIST TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1 | 12:10PM**

A time to remember the saints from the scriptures and the tradition of the church and acknowledge that they are a living part of our faith story.

### **COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2 | 12:10PM**

A day of prayer and remembrance for the faithful departed.

### **CONCERT FOR ALL SOULS WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2 | 7:30PM**

Fauré's 'Requiem' with the Choir of St. Paul's, featuring Shannon Dooley, soprano; John Dooley, baritone; and Christina Brier, harp.

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## COMING UP AT ST. PAUL'S

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### "GRATEFUL"

#### A MINI-RETREAT ON PRACTICING GRATITUDE

LED BY MARY MCKNIGHT

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12 | 9:30-11:30

UPSTAIRS MUSIC ROOM

Each Sunday, we pray the ancient litany called the Great Thanksgiving:

"Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise."

Scripture, the liturgy, and new scientific research suggest that cultivating the habit of thanksgiving can transform our lives. Gratitude maximizes our enjoyment of the goodness of God and neighbor, and helps us recognize the blessings in our own lives. The habit of thanking God for large and small blessings can change the quality of our lives. Amazingly, being thankful can help protect us from destructive forces such as envy, resentment, greed and bitterness. From a prison cell, Paul writes: "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, and give thanks in all circumstances." In trying times, how can we get better at recognizing the presence and blessings of God? Researchers say that practicing gratitude in the midst of adversity can increase our sense of well-being and reduce stress. You are invited and welcome to bring friends to the upstairs Music Room of St. Paul's on Saturday, Nov 12 from 9:30 until 11:30. We will explore the rich meaning of gratitude and experience several ways of praying with thanksgiving. There will also be a handout of gratitude practices to try at home, and some book suggestions.

### FREE ORGAN RECITAL

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18 | 7:30PM

Free organ recital at St. Paul's featuring Jonghee Yoon.

### CHRIST THE KING CHORAL EVENSONG

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20 | 5:30PM

St. Paul's choir will present a Choral Evensong for Christ the King.

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## ST. PAUL'S ANNOUCEMENTS

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### COOK A MEAL FOR COLLEGE KIDS

Would you be willing to make a meal for our Episcopal students at UNCW through ECCO (Episcopal Campus Christian Ministry)? Alfreda Gee, ECCO Minister, is looking for a few folks who would be willing to prepare a meal for the 8-10 students that meet each Tuesday at Church of the Servant in Wilmington. Contact Teresa Singer at [teresabsinger@gmail.com](mailto:teresabsinger@gmail.com) or Alfreda Gee at 910.604.0084 for more information about what is involved. This is a great way for St. Paul's to show some love and hospitality to Episcopal college students at UNCW.

### THE SOURCE GIFT SHOP AT ST. PAUL'S

Come shop our clothing, jewelry, candles, household items and Episcopalian swag. When you purchase gifts for yourself and your loved ones 100% of the proceeds benefits our: youth group mission travel activities, St. Paul's Choir and other church charities. Come shop with us, on Sundays following the 10:30am service, and help spread St. Paul's ministries into the world. Questions? See Peg Brunton.

### THE BLESSING BOX UPDATE

Thank you for your continued generosity and donations. We regularly fill the Blessing Box. The need is great and resources deplete quickly. Therefore, we ask you to continue to bless our "Street Angels" (Paul Simon) with your generosity. Also, most of our guests do not have can openers. So if possible, cans with "pull tops" are helpful. ~ Bob S. & Judy B.

### PASTORAL CARE

#### A MINISTRY (NOT A COMMITTEE) TO MEET

Pastoral care isn't a call exclusive to clergy, but a God-given mandate, calling each of us to care for God's people. The ministry of caring is at the heart of the church's life and ministry. One of the best ways we can care for our parish family is to create a strong, volunteer pastoral care team. If you feel your spiritual gifts would fit into the ministry of Pastoral Care at St. Paul's, please join us on Wednesday, November 9, at 5:30 pm in the library. We will discuss how we can best minister to the needs of our parish family through our combined efforts. Those with questions should contact the ministry co-chairs, Sue Sramek or Cheryl Wagoner.

### VANCO ONLINE GIVING



# SHINING OUR LIGHT

During each week's 10:30 a.m. worship service in October, a member of our parish will talk about what stewardship means to them. Please find the recording of the presentation below.



**Oct. 16: Anne O'Dell** [https://youtu.be/\\_k0JDFsiEHI?t=2683](https://youtu.be/_k0JDFsiEHI?t=2683)

I have been attending St. Paul's for almost 6 years, and everyday I find new reasons to give to the annual stewardship campaign. I give because from the start, I have felt welcome here. It's not just the kindness of all of you, it's also this sacred space. It gently wrapped its arms around me and invited me to renew my faith after a long time away from the church. I give because on most Sunday mornings at 9:30 you will find me upstairs in the children's wing surrounded by a handful of my favorite young people. Together we explore stories from the bible with wonder, creativity, and the freshness of a child's perspective. I give because I am grateful for the community that I have found through EfM. Our quest for learning brought us together, and curiosity, which is our superpower, continues to fuel our journey to a deeper understanding of our faith. I give because I can't sing, arrange flowers, garden, or swing a hammer, but there is an immensely talented group of people at St. Paul's who do all of these things. Through their examples, I have learned the joy of sharing my unique gifts and talents for the glory and honor of God. I give because I am thankful for our clergy. I marvel at their commitment and dedication. I am inspired by their teaching and their willingness to walk with me - not ahead of me - on my faith journey. I am grateful that Father Michael and Mother Catherine agreed to devote a couple of days a week from retirement to minister to this flock while also providing Father Caleb with the needed support to faithfully lead this congregation into the future. Mostly, I give because of you. You are the hearts and hands of Christ. You consistently lift me up and give me the strength and courage to live with hope in this crazy world. Please join me in giving to the annual stewardship campaign, and let's shine our light for all the world to see and experience the transformative power of God's love. Thank you.

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## ST. PAUL'S WELCOMES YOU

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### **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 live-streamed 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:** Most Sundays from 9:30-10:15 am upstairs in the Children's Wing for ages 4-11.

**Episcopal Youth Community (EYC):** Most Sundays from 9:30-10:15 am in the library for 6th grade and older.



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