

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE CITY OF WILMINGTON
THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA



THE FEAST OF THE HOLY NAME

Sunday, January 1, 2023

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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SERVICE PARTICIPANTS AT 8:00 AM

Celebrant and Preacher	Altar Server/Lector	Greeter/Usher
The Reverend Catherine Powell	David Tousignant	Tom Gerow

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Processional Hymn 435 *At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow;* King's Weston

THE WORD OF GOD

The Acclamation and Response BCP 355

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

Celebrant: You will name him Jesus;
People: He will save his people from their sins.

Celebrant: He will be great;
People: He will be called the Son of the Most High.

Celebrant: He will be called Emmanuel:
People: God is with us.

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.*

Glory be to God in heaven, songs of joy and peace we bring,
Thankful hearts and voices raising, to creation's Lord we sing;
Lord, we thank you, Lord, we bless you, glory be to God our King.

Lamb of God, who on your shoulders bore the load of this world's sin,
Only Son of God the Father, you have brought us peace within:
Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, now your glorious reign begin.

You, O Son of God, are holy, you we praise with one accord;
None in heav'n nor earth is like you, only you are - Christ the Lord
With the Father, and the Spirit, ever worshipped and adored.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Celebrant: Let us pray.

Eternal Father, you gave to your incarnate Son the holy name of Jesus to be the sign of our salvation: Plant in every heart, we pray, the love of him who is the Savior of the world, our Lord Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

Please be seated.

The First Reading: Numbers 6: 22-27

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Numbers

The Lord spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the Israelites: You shall say to them, The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. So they shall put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 8

Domine, Dominus noster

- 1 O Lord our Governor,
 how exalted is your Name in all the world!
- 2 Out of the mouths of infants and children
 your majesty is praised above the heavens.
- 3 You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries,
 to quell the enemy and the avenger.
- 4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,
 the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
- 5 What is man that you should be mindful of him?
 the son of man that you should seek him out?
- 6 You have made him but little lower than the angels;
 you adorn him with glory and honor;
- 7 You give him mastery over the works of your hands;
 you put all things under his feet:
- 8 All sheep and oxen,
 even the wild beasts of the field,
- 9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea,
 and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.
- 10 O Lord our Governor,
 how exalted is your Name in all the world!

The Epistle Reading: Galatians 4: 4-7

Reader: A reading from Paul's letter to the Galatians

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 644

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds

St. Peter

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 2: 15-21

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them. After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Catherine Powell

The Apostles' Creed (*sung together*)

1 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.

2 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.

3 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.

Hymn to Joy (376)

Please stand.

The Prayers of the People

Celebrant: In and through the name of Jesus let us pray to the Father saying, "Lord, graciously hear us."

Intercessor: We give thanks for the name of Jesus, that at his name every knee shall bow in heaven and earth. We pray for the worship and mission of Christ's Church. We give thanks that the name of Jesus unites all Christian churches. In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for St Thomas in Ahoskie and St. Thomas in Bath. In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico. Lord, hear us.

People: *Lord, graciously hear us.*

Intercessor: We pray for the world and for its healing, the people of Russia and Ukraine. In the name of Jesus, help us to remember that we belong to one another. Lord, hear us.

People: *Lord, graciously hear us.*

Intercessor: We pray for all who carry heavy loads. For the overworked and the unemployed. For single parents and grandparents who parent their grandchildren. For caretakers of the persistently ill. Lord, hear us.

People: *Lord, graciously hear us.*

Intercessor: We pray at the beginning of this new year for renewed commitment and consecration to the way of love. Help us to refocus our desires and intentions toward you. Lord, hear us.

People: *Lord, graciously hear us.*

- Intercessor:** We pray for all in our parish who need our prayers, especially (*the intercessor reads the names of those in our parish who need our prayer*). Lord, hear us.
People: *Lord, graciously hear us.*
- Intercessor:** We remember with thanksgiving all who have loved the name of Jesus (*the intercessor reads the names of the departed*). We pray that, surrounded by such a cloud of witnesses, we may run with perseverance the race that is set before us. Lord, hear us.
People: *Lord, graciously hear us.*
- Celebrant:** Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

The Confession of Sin and Absolution

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

Offertory Anthem *Love Came Down at Christmas* Christina Rossett
*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 ** for the QR code.*

Presentation Hymn	<i>When Christ received his holy name</i>	Auld Lang Syne Text by Jenny Callison
	When Christ received his holy name The angels danced for joy, Emmanuel! God's promise, wrapped In such a tiny boy.	
	Jesus sends us into the world With love to conquer fear We wear his name upon our hearts As we enter this new year.	

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:

Sanctus and Benedictus S-125

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

Proulx

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosana in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.
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.

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

S-154

The musical notation consists of four staves of music in common time, treble clef, and G major (two sharps). The lyrics are integrated into the music as follows:

- Staff 1: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
- Staff 2: Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
- Staff 3: there - fore let us keep the feast.
- Staff 4: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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

Agnus Dei

O Lamb of God

Greensleeves
arr. Mark Schweizer

O Lamb of God. O Holy Child. Who takes the sin of the world away;
Have mercy on us, lamb so mild, the babe, the son of Mary.
This, this is your body giv'n, your precious blood, the gift of heav'n.
Take, eat, for we are one in the babe, the son of Mary.

The Communion of the People

Communion stations are available at the altar rail and under the lectern. 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

"Christmas"

William Weisser

The congregation is invited to sing the communion hymns.

Communion Hymn 109

The first Nowell

The First Nowell

Communion Hymn 249

To the Name of our salvation

Grafton

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 Hymn 477

All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine

Engelberg

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of the newborn Christ.
People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Voluntary

Ding, Dong Merrily on High

Gordon Young

Celebrant

The Reverend Michael Singer

Preacher

The Reverend Catherine Powell

Verger

Leon Tillery

Crucifer

Zoë Frederiksen

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Cheryl Wagoner

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Bill Waterfield

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In Our Parish

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Tammy Pollock

Dale Curran

JoAnn Summey

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Katherine Ramsey

Diane Trubia

Elaine Francis

People Requesting Prayer

Tracy Calhoun Sorrenti Susan Richards Frederick

Tammy Tilghman Mary Barto

Richard O'Rourke Susan Petry

Major Jennifer Jantzi Melodee Fraser

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Linda Harris Rosalie Fonda

Lynne Vanstory Ellie Gibson

David Hayes Kristen Keen

Gracie Sage Mary Barnhill

Tonya Justice Colin Whitfield

For the Departed

Merry Ann Wright

Bill L. Wilson

Bob Casper

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. Names are listed for one month. 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.

TODAY AT ST. PAUL'S

Today, Sunday, January 1

The Feast of the Holy Name

8:00 am Holy Eucharist with

Breakfast will resume Sunday, Jan. 8

9:15am - 12pm Nursery open

9:30am Adult Faith Formation will resume Jan. 8

9:30am Children's Sunday School will resume Jan. 8

9:30am EYC will resume Jan. 8

10:30am Choral Eucharist

Reception to follow in the parish hall

11:30am A Church Walk (*meet at the back of the church*)

Monday, January 2

Tuesday, January 3

7:30am *Early-Bird Book Group will resume on Jan. 10

9:00am Morning Prayer

Wednesday, January 4

12:10pm Midday Eucharist

Light lunch to follow in the parish hall

7:00pm Adult Choir Practice

Thursday, January 5

9:00am GNP and St. Fiacre Garden Guild Work Day

9:00am Morning Prayer

11:00am The Rector's Bible Study

Friday, January 6

8:00am Mensgroup

12:10pm Epiphany Festal Eucharist

Saturday, January 7

1:00pm Funeral Liturgy for Merry Ann Wright

Next Sunday, January 8

The First Sunday after the Epiphany

8:00 am Holy Eucharist with

Breakfast to follow in the parish hall

9:15am - 12pm Nursery open

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

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

9:30am EYC (*library*)

10:30am Choral Eucharist

Reception to follow in the parish hall

*Join the Early Bird Book Group as we begin a new book, "Their Eyes Were Watching God" by Zora Neale Hurston, Tuesdays, 7:30am via Zoom. Contact Julie Martin (itsjuliemartin@gmail.com) for details.

COMING UP AT ST. PAUL'S

EPIPHANY FESTAL EUCHARIST

Friday, January 6 | 12:10pm

TAIZÉ SERVICE OF MUSIC, LIGHT & PRAYER

Thursday, January 12 | 5:30pm

WHO DUNIT MYSTERY DINNER

Friday, January 13 | 6:30pm

Proceeds benefit the choir's residency at Wells Cathedral, UK in 2023.

BEAT THE WINTER BLUES DINNER AND BINGO

Wednesday, January 18 | 5:30pm

Join us in the parish hall for food, family, fun, bingo, and prizes. Please bring a dish to share.

GNP & ST. FIACRE GARDEN GUILD WORK DAY

Thursday, January 19 | 9:00am

Come help the Gentlemen of Noble Poverty and the St. Fiacre Garden Guild with general maintenance of the grounds, various plantings and gardens.

All are welcome!

COLIN LYNCH ORGAN RECITAL

Friday, January 27 | 7:30pm

ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, January 29 | 9am

ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

MERRY ANN THOMPSON WRIGHT

February 25, 1943 - December 18, 2022

Merry Ann's funeral liturgy will be held on Saturday, January 7 at 1:00pm with a reception to follow.

CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM THE SOURCE GIFT SHOP

St. Paul's family and friends, thank you for your wonderful support this year. With your support we have been able to help our church ministries achieve their goals. We at the Source Gift Shop will see you again on Sunday, January 8th following the 10:30am service. Blessings. Any questions please contact Peg Brunton.

VANCO ONLINE GIVING



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 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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