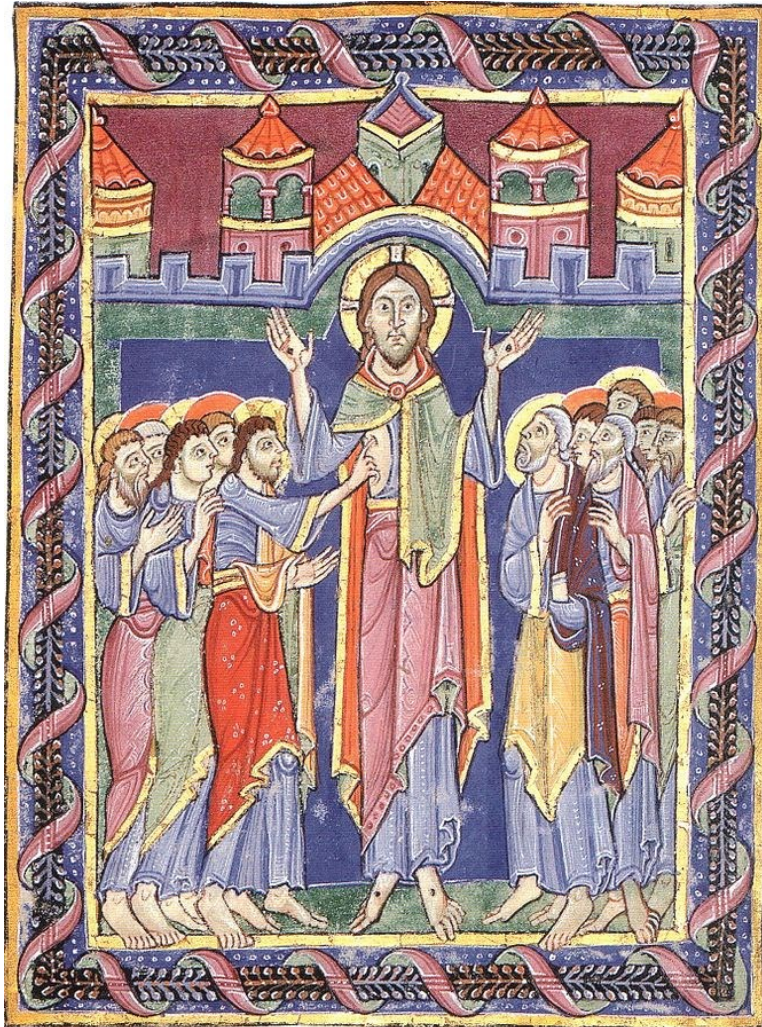


# ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE CITY OF WILMINGTON  
THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA



## THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 16, 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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Welcome to St. Paul's Episcopal Church, celebrating 164 years of service and worship in Wilmington.

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

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### SERVICE PARTICIPANTS AT 8:00AM

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**Celebrant and Preacher**  
The Reverend Caleb J. Lee  
**Altar Server/Lector**  
Louise Joyner  
**Greeter/Usher**  
Linda Collette

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# ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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## 10:30 AM HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II ACCORDING TO THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER

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**Voluntary**

“*Allein Gott in der Hoh sei Ehr*” (*All Glory Be to God on High*)

Johann Gottfried  
Frederick Wilhelm Azchau  
Andreas Nickolus Vetter

**Processional Hymn 182**

*Christ is alive!*

Truro

### THE WORD OF GOD

#### The Easter Acclamation and Response

**Celebrant:** Alleluia! Christ is risen.  
**People:** The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!  
**Celebrant:** May his grace and peace be with us.  
**People:** May he fill our hearts with joy.

#### 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.*

#### Christ our Passover

*Pascha Nostrum*

Diademata

Alleluia! Our Lord	Christ being raised from death	The first fruits of the grave
And Savior Jesus Christ	Will never die again,	Is Christ our living head,
Is now our Passover indeed	For he has died to death and sin	For since by one came death, by one
And has been sacrificed;	And now death cannot reign;	Came new life from the dead;
So let us keep the feast	The life that he now lives,	For as in Adam all
No more with enmity	He lives to God on high,	Must die under the law,
But with the new unleavened bread	So also are you dead to sin	So now shall all be made alive
Of true sincerity.	Through Christ eternally.	In Christ. Alleluia.

#### 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, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; 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: Acts 2: 14a, 22-32

**Reader:** A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, “You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him

among you, as you yourselves know— this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him, 'I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.' "Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, 'He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.' This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses."

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

**People:** Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 16

*Conserva me, Domine*

Edward Cuthbert Bairstow

- 1 Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;  
I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord,  
my good above all other."
- 2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land,  
upon those who are noble among the people.
- 3 But those who run after other gods  
shall have their troubles multiplied.
- 4 Their libations of blood I will not offer,  
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.
- 5 O Lord, you are my portion and my cup;  
it is you who uphold my lot.
- 6 My boundaries enclose a pleasant land;  
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.
- 7 I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel;  
my heart teaches me, night after night.
- 8 I have set the Lord always before me;  
because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.
- 9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;  
my body also shall rest in hope.
- 10 For you will not abandon me to the grave,  
nor let your holy one see the Pit.
- 11 You will show me the path of life;  
in your presence there is fullness of joy,  
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

## The Second Reading: 1 Peter 1: 3-9

**Reader:** A Reading from the first letter of Peter.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith-- being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire-- may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

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

**People:** Thanks be to God.

*Please stand.*



**The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 20: 19-31****People:** Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

**Gospeller:** The Gospel of the Lord.**People:** Praise to you, Lord Christ.**The Homily****The Reverend Caleb J. Lee***Please stand.***The Apostles Creed** *(sung together)*

Hymn to Joy

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:** Christ our Lord, risen from the dead, come and enter into the darkness of our doubt and despair, with the bright light of your presence, that we may put our trust in you and the power of your resurrection, saying "Jesus, come among us in your risen power."

**Intercessor:** Lord our God, we pray that we may see you through faith. In seeing you, we will begin to know you, in knowing you, we will give ourselves in love to you, and in loving you, we will enjoy your presence forever. We pray for all who seek to proclaim the Good News of the gospel. May all who are involved in ministry reveal your love and your saving power. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for St. Francis in Goldsboro and St. Augustine's in Kinston and in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for The Anglican Church of Tanzania. We remember all who are new to the faith, especially the newly baptized, and all who will be confirmed next Sunday. For all who are seekers and those who do not know of your love. Jesus, come among us

**People:** *in your risen power.*

**Intercessor:** We pray for the leaders of nations and governments, for all in authority, that they may be wise and gentle in their dealings, that they may be caring and respectful of others. We pray for all military personnel and their families. We pray for those seeking to rescue the poor and any who are in danger. We pray for first responders and all who risk their lives for others. We pray for the people of Ukraine and all those who are trying to help them. Jesus come among us

**People:** *in your risen power.*

**Intercessor:** We ask that we come to know your presence and power in our lives, in our homes, and in our neighbors. We pray for homes where there is strain or stress at this time, for families who have lost a loved one or who have been betrayed in love; that we may all know of your love and care for us. Jesus, come among us

**People:** *in your risen power.*

**Intercessor:** We remember all who have had difficulties this week and all who look in fear towards the future. We pray for all those whose sleep has been troubled and are weary and worn, for the over-anxious, the depressed and the dispirited, for those who have watched over the ill and the suffering. We remember friends and loved ones with special needs and hopes, especially *(the intercessor reads the names of those in our parish who need our prayers)*. Jesus, come among us

**People:** *in your risen power.*

**Intercessor:** Lord, grant grace and peace to the departed: may they rejoice in the fullness of life eternal. Lord, grant that we may put our trust in you. Jesus, come among us

**People:** *in your risen power.*

**Celebrant:** Help us, in your risen power, O Lord, to walk by faith and not by sight; and to trust in the saving work of your life, death, and resurrection, through Jesus Christ our Savior. *Amen.*

## The Peace

**Celebrant:** The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People:** And also with you.

## Announcements

### Offertory Anthem

*This Joyful Eastertide*

Charles Wood

This joyful Eastertide, away with sin and sorrow!  
My Love, the crucified, hath sprung to life this morrow.

*[Refrain] Had Christ, that once was slain, ne'er burst his three-day prison,  
Our faith had been in vain—but now is Christ arisen!*

My flesh in hope shall rest, and for a season slumber:  
Till trump from east to west shall wake the dead in number. *[Refrain]*

Death's flood hath lost its chill, since Jesus crossed the river:  
Lover of souls, from ill my passing soul deliver. *[Refrain]*

- George Ratcliffe Woodward (1848-1934)

*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.*

### Presentation Hymn

*Doxology with Alleluias*

Lasst uns erfreuen

Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise God all creatures here below  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God above ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

## 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.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

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

*Mass of St. Thomas*

David Thorne

**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 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

*Mass of St. Thomas*

David Thorne  
adapt. Nigel Potts

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a time signature of 4/4. It consists of three staves. The first staff begins with a forte (*f*) dynamic and contains the lyrics "Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia." The second staff starts at measure 6 with a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic and contains the lyrics "Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast." The third staff starts at measure 11 with a fortissimo (*ff*) dynamic and contains the lyrics "Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia." The score includes various musical notations such as slurs, triplets, and dynamic markings.

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

### Invitation to Communion

### Agnus Dei

*Lamb of God*

David Thorne

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Grant us peace.



## 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.*

<b>Communion Anthem</b>	<i>Jubilate Deo! (O Be Joyful in the Lord)</i>	Michael Praetorius
<b>Communion Hymn 304</b>	<i>I come with joy to meet my Lord</i>	Land of Rest
<b>Communion Hymn 174</b>	<i>At the Lamb's high feast we sing</i>	Salzburg

*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

<b>Processional Hymn 481</b>	<i>Rejoice, the Lord is King!</i>	Darwall's 148th (625)
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## The Dismissal

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

<b>Voluntary</b>	<i>Trumpet Voluntary</i>	John Stanley
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### SERVICE PARTICIPANTS AT 10:30AM

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<b>Celebrant</b> The Reverend Catherine Powell	<b>Lectors</b> Sue Sramek   Dewitt Dees
<b>Preacher and Gospeller</b> The Reverend Caleb J. Lee	<b>Intercessor</b> Brian Buss
<b>Verger</b> Leon Tillery	<b>Gospel Book Bearer</b> Dot Erway
<b>Crucifer</b> Mary Jeffreys Nipper	<b>Ushers</b> Ron Morgan   John Fonda
<b>Torchbearers</b> Bennett Sanders-Park   Hazel Lee	Dewitt Dees   Mait Dubois   Bill Waterfield
<b>Altar Server</b> Cheryl Wagoner	<b>Greeters</b> Midge Silberman   Ruth Gates
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b> Cheryl Wagoner   Cabe Lee   Royster Hedgepeth	<b>Flower Guild</b> Brian Sanders-Park   Louise Joyner
	<b>Altar Guild</b> Cheryl Wagoner   Scotty Galganowicz   Leon Tillery

## In Our Parish

Earl Craig	Tammy Pollock
Judy Farri	Dale Curran
Joe Farri	JoAnn Summey
Alice Calder	Barbara O'Rourke
Larry Wright	Katherine Ramsey
Norman LaSalle	Karen DeJarld
Karen Smith	John Morton
Eileen Searle	Greg Thomas
Ron Miller	Tom Gerow
Lawson Cope	

## People Requesting Prayer

Tracy Calhoun Sorrenti	Mary Barto
Tammy Tilghman	Melodee Fraser
Richard O'Rourke	Alex Apostolou
Carroll Joines	Mary Barnhill
Linda Harris	Suzanne Rutledge
Lynne Vanstory	Rachael Silberman
David Hayes	Joe Halecki
Tonya Justice	Nathalie Rubin
Pat Noble	John Tinney
Bill Warren	Sherry Herman
Gina Lewis	Mark Vlahos
Geneva Thompson	Turner Rivenbark
Fr. Lloyd Olsen and family	Teresa Biddle
John Bakker	Deborah Pride
Jim Holliday	Rory Weig
David Walser	Trevor Babcock
Anne Cope	Lyndon Cope
The Doctors & Researchers	

## 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](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.

## Today, Sunday, April 16

## The Second Sunday of Easter

8:00am Holy Eucharist + *breakfast in 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 in parish hall*

## Monday, April 17

No events have been scheduled

## Tuesday, April 18

7:30am <sup>1</sup>Early Bird Book Group (*Zoom*)

9:00am Morning Prayer

6:15pm EfM weekly meeting (*library*)

## Wednesday, April 19

12:10pm Midday Eucharist + *light lunch in parish hall*

7:00pm Adult Choir Practice

## Thursday, April 20

8:30am GNP + St. Fiacre Garden Guild Work Day

9:00am Morning Prayer

11:00am <sup>2</sup>Rector's Bible Study

## Friday, April 21

8:00am Mensgroup

## Saturday, April 22

9:00am St. Fiacre Garden Guild Work Day

## Next Sunday, April 23

## The Third Sunday of Easter

8:00am Holy Eucharist + *breakfast in 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 with Confirmation, Reception, and Renewal + *reception following in parish hall*

<sup>1</sup> "Eager to Love: The Alternative Way of Francis of Assisi" by Richard Rohr. The Early Bird Book Group is for anyone yearning to be in a circle of trust in order to explore their faith together.

<sup>2</sup> Join Fr. Lee for a look at the upcoming readings from Sunday's lectionary.

## Vanco Online Giving



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## COMING UP AT ST. PAUL'S

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### **St. Fiacre Garden Guild: Spring Cleaning**

**Thursday, April 20 and Saturday, April 22 | 9am - Noon**

In preparation for Bishop Skirving's visit on Sunday, April 23, we are hosting two work days. We welcome and NEED volunteers to help us beautify the beloved sacred green spaces surrounding St. Paul's. We will gather Thursday, April 20 from 9am to noon (our regularly scheduled work day) and Saturday, April 22, Earth Day, from 9am to noon. The Easter flowers that adorned our worship space will be planted throughout our grounds; plus we've got plants that need to be divided and adopted by a good home.

The St. Fiacre Garden Guild is a ministry of love: love for our sacred space and love for God's gift of nature. It's also a great opportunity for fellowship. We welcome gardeners of any and all talents. Please join us for one or both work days.

Bring your favorite tools, gloves, snacks, and water. Friends, family, and Scout troops are also encouraged to join the fun. Any questions, contact Patt Scherer at 301-606-3937 or [pscherer8@aol.com](mailto:pscherer8@aol.com).

### **Art Show & Sale**

**Friday, April 28 5-8pm | Saturday, April 29 11am-5pm**

The art show and sale will benefit the St. Paul's music program. Art is priced to sell. All local artists.

### **St. Paul's Parish Picnic**

**Sunday, May 7 | 5:30pm | Shelter #6 at Long Leaf Park**

Please join us for St. Paul's Annual Parish Picnic on Sunday, May 7 at 5:30pm at Shelter #6 at Long Leaf Park in Wilmington. We will provide the barbecue and drinks and ask you to help us provide the rest. If your last name begins with A-H, we ask you to bring a large salad; if your last name begins with I-O, we would ask that you bring an ample sized side dish; and for those of you with last names that begin with P-Z-please bring a dessert. We will have lawn games and some activities to help you get to know folks a little better. And you'll be happy to know that our Plant Swap is back this year! The evening will end with Compline, under the glorious canopy of God's creation. If you'd like to help out in some way, or have some lawn games to share, please contact Teresa Singer at [teresabsinger@gmail.com](mailto:teresabsinger@gmail.com) or 252.268.1547.

Please join us for this wonderful opportunity to make connections with each other and with God.

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## ST. PAUL'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### **The Bishop is Coming Next Sunday!**

The Right Reverend Robert Skirving will be with us on Sunday, April 23 for Confirmation. Please join us at 9:30 AM for a special forum hour with our bishop, followed by Holy Eucharist with Confirmation at our 10:30 AM Choral Eucharist.

The loose offering on this Sunday will go toward the Bishop's Discretionary Fund. We will also welcome The Reverend Cindy Duffus and five Episcopalians from St. Anne's, Jacksonville who will be confirmed with those from St. Paul's.

A festive reception will follow the service.



### **Time to Register for Glory Ridge**

Our youth mission trip to Glory Ridge (Marshall, NC) will be Sunday, July 23 - Friday, July 28 this summer. Rising 7th graders thru graduating seniors are encouraged to register. If you have any questions please talk to Fr. Caleb, Allen, or Cabe. The registration link is <https://forms.gle/bP5CpsvUKjGRrjLZ9>

### **Second Annual Plant Swap**

Here is a sign of spring for all gardeners! Our Second Annual Plant Swap will be held at the parish picnic on Sunday, May 7th! Over these next couple of weeks, as you work in your gardens, please look for plants that can be divided and shared. Also, please bring any pots that you can spare for those of us who do not have enough pots for the plants we hope to share. There will be a box on your right as you enter the parish hall (coming from the direction of The Source) for your spare pots. Any questions, please reach out to Maryelle Jones, [jjimij@gmail.com](mailto:jjimij@gmail.com).

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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 10:30am 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. Please return when church is over.

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

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

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



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