

# ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE CITY OF WILMINGTON  
THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA



## THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 11, 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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Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.	Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
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For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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#### SERVICE PARTICIPANTS AT 8:00AM

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<b>Celebrant and Preacher</b> The Reverend Caleb J. Lee	<b>Altar Server/Lector</b> David Tousignant	<b>Greeter/Usher</b> Mona Clites   Shar Day
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Voluntary	<i>Pastorale on "Forest Green"</i>	Richard Purvis
Introit	<i>I Was Glad</i>	William Weisser
ProceSSIONAL Hymn 436	<i>Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates</i>	Truro

### THE WORD OF GOD

#### The Opening Acclamation and Response

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

**People:** And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and forever.

#### 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.*

#### The Gloria

*Glory be to God*

Mass of St. Thomas

**Moderato** *ff*

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

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

11  
Heav'n - ly King, Al migh-ty God and Fa - ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we

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

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

27  
Lamb of God, you take<sup>3</sup> 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 *f*  
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. *ff* 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:** O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; 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: Genesis 12: 1-9

**Reader:** A Reading from the Book of Genesis.

Now the Lord said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.” So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother’s son Lot, and all the possessions that they had gathered, and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran; and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. Then the Lord appeared to Abram, and said, “To your offspring I will give this land.” So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him. From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the Lord and invoked the name of the Lord. And Abram journeyed on by stages toward the Negeb.

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

**People:** Thanks be to God.

### Psalm 33: 1-12

*Exultate, justi*

John Randall

- 1 Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous;  
it is good for the just to sing praises.
- 2 Praise the Lord with the harp;  
play to him upon the psaltery and lyre.
- 3 Sing for him a new song;  
sound a fanfare with all your skill upon the trumpet.
- 4 For the word of the Lord is right,  
and all his works are sure.
- 5 He loves righteousness and justice;  
the loving-kindness of the Lord fills the whole earth.
- 6 By the word of the Lord were the heavens made,  
by the breath of his mouth all the heavenly hosts.
- 7 He gathers up the waters of the ocean as in a water-skin  
and stores up the depths of the sea.

- 8 Let all the earth fear the Lord;  
 let all who dwell in the world stand in awe of him.
- 9 For he spoke, and it came to pass;  
 he commanded, and it stood fast.
- 10 The Lord brings the will of the nations to naught;  
 he thwarts the designs of the peoples.
- 11 But the Lord's will stands fast for ever,  
 and the designs of his heart from age to age.
- 12 Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord!  
 happy the people he has chosen to be his own!

**The Second Reading: Romans 4: 13-25**

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

The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

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

**People:** Thanks be to God.

*Please stand.*

**Gradual Hymn 455**

*O Love of God, how strong and true*

Dunedin

**The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 9: 9-13, 18-26.**

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

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners." While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread throughout that district.

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

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

**The Homily**

**The Reverend Caleb J. Lee**

We believe in one God,  
 the Father, the Almighty,  
 maker of heaven and earth,  
 of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
 the only Son of God,  
 eternally begotten of the Father,  
 God from God, Light from Light,  
 true God from true God,  
 begotten, not made,  
 of one Being with the Father.  
 Through him all things were made.  
 For us and for our salvation  
     he came down from heaven:  
 by the power of the Holy Spirit  
     he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
 and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
 he suffered death and was buried.  
 On the third day he rose again  
     in accordance with the Scriptures;  
 he ascended into heaven  
     and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
 He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
 and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
 With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
 He has spoken through the Prophets.  
 We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
 We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
 We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### The Prayers of the People

- Celebrant:** Almighty God, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence all things, we pray to you saying, “Hear us, good Lord.”
- Intercessor:** Gracious God, fountain of all wisdom, we pray for all Christian people; for Rob our bishop, and for all who teach and guard the faith. In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for St. Francis by the Sea in Salter Path and Holy Trinity in Hampstead. In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia. May the word of Christ dwell richly in our hearts, and knit us together in the bond of your love.  
 Hear us.
- People:** *Hear us, good Lord.*
- Intercessor:** We pray for the leaders of nations, and for those in authority under them. Give them the gift of your wisdom, and a right discernment in all things.  
 Hear us.
- People:** *Hear us, good Lord.*
- Intercessor:** We pray for the city of Wilmington and for those who live, work and visit here, and for all who seek the common good. Speak your word of peace in our midst, and help us to serve one another as Christ has served us.  
 Hear us.
- People:** *Hear us, good Lord.*
- Intercessor:** We pray for those who do not believe, and for those of hesitant belief. Open their ears to hear your voice, and open their hearts to receive you, the very Word of life.  
 Hear us.
- People:** *Hear us, good Lord.*
- Intercessor:** We pray for those bowed down with grief, fear or sickness (*the intercessor reads the names of those in our parish that need our prayers*). May Christ your living Word bring them comfort and healing.  
 Hear us.
- People:** *Hear us, good Lord.*
- Intercessor:** We give thanks for all who have died in the faith of Christ, and we rejoice with Ralph Tilden and Marion Somerset and all your saints, trusting in the promise of your word fulfilled.
- People:** *Hear us, good Lord.*
- Celebrant:** Lord of the Church, hear our prayer, and make us one in heart and mind to serve you with joy forever, through Jesus Christ our Lord *Amen.*

**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.

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Offertory Anthem**

*Jubilate Deo (O Be Joyful in the Lord)*

attributed to W.A. Mozart

*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 13 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 A)**

**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.

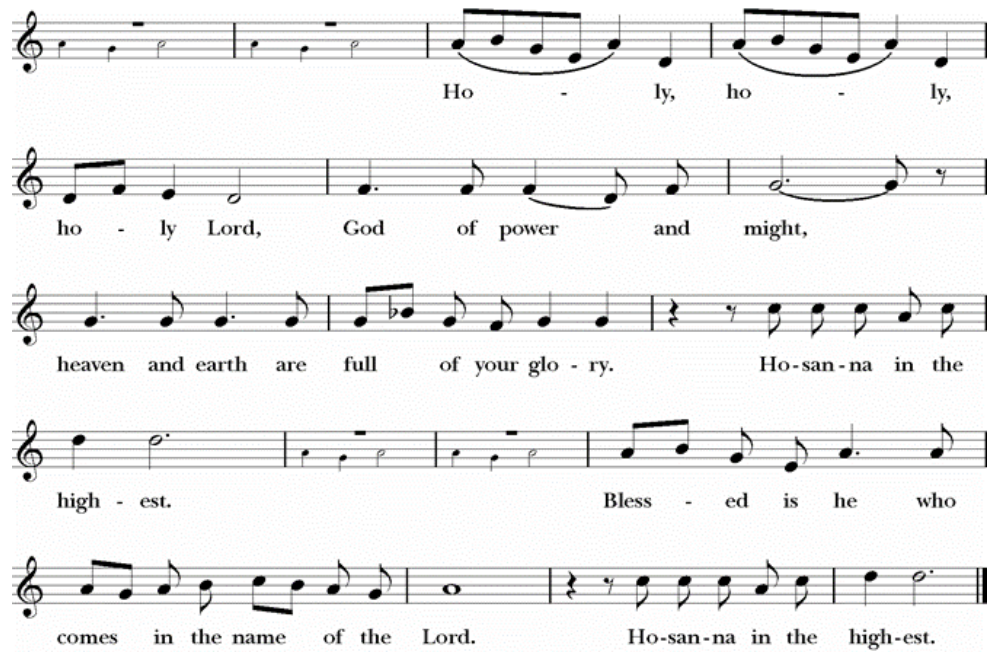
**People:** It is right to give God thanks and praise.

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 a Proper Preface.*

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:





Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,  
 ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the  
 high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

*The people stand or kneel*

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

*Taste and See*

Lift Every Voice and Sing II

The musical score is written for two staves, Treble and Bass clef, in 3/2 time and B-flat major. The lyrics are: "Taste and see. Taste and see the good - ness of the Lord. O Taste and see. Taste and see the good - ness of the Lord. of the Lord." The score includes a "Fine" marking at the end of the piece.

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

## Invitation to Communion

## Agnus Dei

*O Lamb of God*

St. Botolph

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.

## 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

*God is Our Refuge, K. 20*

W.A. Mozart

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

**Communion Hymn 304**

*I come with joy to meet my Lord*

Land of Rest

**Communion Hymn 550**

*Jesus call us; o'er the tumult*

Restoration

*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 376**

*Joyful, joyful, we adore thee*

Hymn to Joy

**The Dismissal**

**Celebrant:** Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**Voluntary**

*Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals*

Siegfried Karg-Elert

**Celebrant**

The Reverend Michael Singer

**Preacher**

The Reverend Caleb J. Lee

**Gospeller**

The Reverend Catherine Powell

**Verger**

Leon Tillery

**Crucifers**

Cabe Lee

Jeffrey Hughes

**Altar Server**

Cabe Lee

**Eucharistic Ministers**

Jeffrey Hughes

Dot Erway

Scott Sheble

**Lectors**

Dewitt Dees

Teresa Singer

**Intercessor**

David Frederiksen

**Torchbearers**

Katie Rose Sanders-Park

Bennett Sanders-Park

**Gospel Book Bearer**

Dot Erway

**Ushers**

Jeff Jones

Happy Jones

Rosyter Hedgepeth

Kathryn Hedgepeth

Owen Aylesworth

**Greeters**

Luvette Hickey

Joan Rosko-Miller

**Flower Guild**

David Frederiksen

**Altar Guild**

Leon Tillery

Gail Gallaher

Amber Austin

**In Our Parish**

Earl Craig	Tammy Pollock
Judy Farri	Dale Curran
Joe Farri	JoAnn Summey
Alice Calder	Barbara O'Rourke
Eileen Searle	Katherine Ramsey
Ron Miller	Greg Thomas
Lawson Cope	Renée Patrick
Sib Vlahos	Sherry Mulhollen
Tom Erway	

**People Requesting Prayer**

Tracy Calhoun Sorrenti	Mary Barto
Tammy Tilghman	Nathalie Rubin
Carroll Joines	Turner Rivenbark
Linda Harris	Teresa Biddle
Lynne Vanstory	Trevor Babcock
David Hayes	Lyndon Cope
Jim Holliday	The Doctors & Researchers
David Walser	Richard Poole
Anne Cope	Lee & Jane Livengood
Paul McDonald	Susan Cornwell
James English	Ellen Wester
Susan Linscott	

**For the Departed**

Ralph Tilden  
Marion Somersett

**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, June 11****The Second Sunday after Pentecost**

**8:00am** Holy Eucharist

**9:15am-12pm** Nursery open

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

**10:30am** Choral Eucharist + *reception in parish hall*

**Monday, June 12**

**6:00pm** Vestry Meeting

**Tuesday, June 13**

**7:30am** Early Bird Book Group (*Zoom*)

**9:00am** Morning Prayer

**Wednesday, June 14**

**12:10pm** Midday Eucharist

**Thursday, June 15**

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

**9:00am** Morning Prayer

**7:00pm** Night at the Ballpark

**Friday, June 16**

**8:00am** Mensgroup

**Saturday, June 17**

No events have been scheduled

**Next Sunday, June 18****The Third Sunday after Pentecost**

**8:00am** Holy Eucharist

**9:15am-12pm** Nursery open

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

**10:30am** Choral Eucharist + *reception following in parish hall*

**Vanco Online Giving**



**Adult Formation: The Great Stories: Exploring the lives of Abraham, Moses, and David**

**June 11:** Joseph the Dreamer

**June 18:** Moses - An identity crisis and a new direction

**June 25:** Celtic Spirituality with Canon Donehue

**July 2:** Moses - And what can happen in the wilderness

**July 9:** David - So you want to build a country?

**The Reverend Canon Robertson Donehue | Sunday, June 25 | 10:30am Holy Eucharist**

Canon Donehue serves as Sub-Dean of Grace Church Cathedral and will be with us on Sunday, June 25th to preach and offer an Adult Formation hour on Celtic Spirituality.

Rob received a BA in history from the University of South Carolina in 2001 and an MA in Theology from the University of Durham (UK) in 2004. From 2004-2010, Rob was a junior monk at Saint Gregory's Abbey in Three Rivers, Michigan. Rob then served in youth ministry from 2010-2013. Rob earned his MDiv from the Sewanee School of Theology in 2016 and from 2016-2022 served as the priest in charge and then rector of Saint Anne's Episcopal Church in Conway, SC before joining the clergy chapter at Grace Church Cathedral.

Rob's interests include church history, church architecture, travel, and adding to his collection of loud socks. He and his wife, Davis, have a three year old son, David.

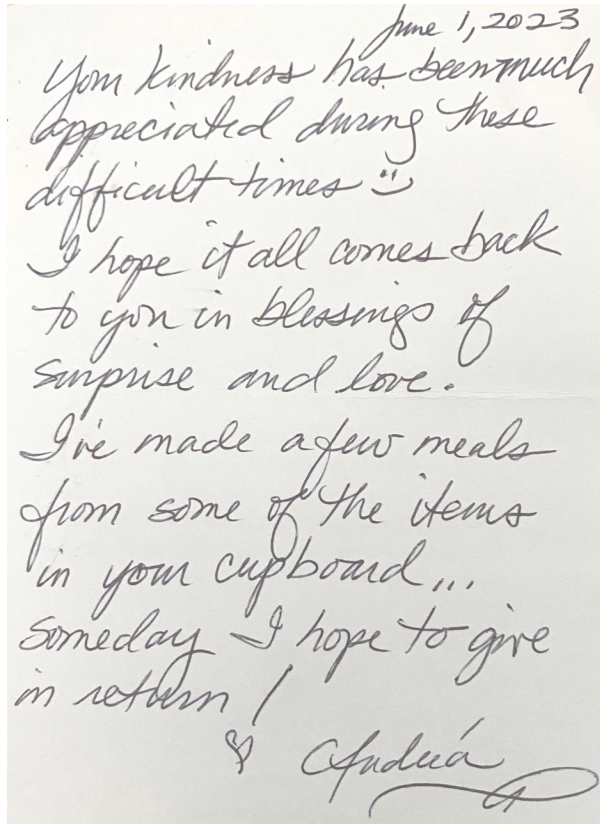
**Art Camp: Creation Celebration | June 26 - 20 | 9:00am - Noon**

Includes daily art, music, movement, snack and worship. \$40 per child for rising second-graders through rising fifth-graders. Scholarships available. Contact Meaghan Thomas at [speckids@spechurch.com](mailto:speckids@spechurch.com) for more information.

Register on our website asap.

### Blessing Box Update

A message of Grace ~ A gift from our neighbor



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The Blessing Box Team

### New Columbarium

After more than a year of thoughtful planning and hard work, St. Paul's has a new columbarium. We are grateful to Don Bobo for his ministry and his leadership in managing this project from start to finish. The columbarium was installed outside in the Bellamy Memorial Garden the week of May 15, and it was blessed on May 20 prior to the interment of Merry Ann and Larry Wright. As long-time members of our church, Merry Ann and Larry had an enduring commitment to celebrate and share God's love through St. Paul's. They will forever be part of the fabric of our church, joining the communion of saints who faithfully walk with us on our journey with Christ.

### 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>. Register asap.

### Choir Trip

St. Paul's choir will travel to Grace Church Cathedral in Charleston, S.C., to sing at the Sunday morning liturgies at 9 and 11 on July 23 in place of the resident choir, which will be singing at the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C., that day. Dorothy Papadakos will be playing at the 10:30am service and we'll have a quartet directed by Dr. Aaron Peisner, Director of Choral Activities at UNCW.

### Save the Date

Mark your calendars for the East Carolina Episcopal

Revival with Presiding Bishop Michael Curry. The revival will be held on Saturday, October 21, 2023 at Episcopal Farmworker Ministry, 2989 Easy Street, Dunn, NC. It promises to be an event you won't want to miss! The Diocese is seeking volunteers for the revival. If you are interested in helping, please check out the following link:

<https://www.diocese-eastcarolina.org/blog/seeking-revival-team-volunteers/?occurrence=354>

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

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



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