

# *Welcome to St. Paul's Episcopal Church*

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**August 6th, 2023 – Tenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**Propers 13 A, Track 1**

***Congregational Responses are in bold type***

*There are 3 Bathrooms located in the hallway between the church and the parish hall.*

Prayers for Healing are offered following the Mass on the 2nd and Last Sunday of each month.

Organ Prelude: “Morning Has Broken”

J Wilson

Hymnal **389** – “Let us with a gladsome mind”

John Milton

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.**

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 your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## The Gloria - Hymnal S280

**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.**

**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.**

God be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; 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.*

### *Genesis 32:22-31*

The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did

not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, 'Let me go, for the day is breaking.' But Jacob said, 'I will not let you go, unless you bless me.' So he said to him, 'What is your name?' And he said, 'Jacob.' Then the man said, 'You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed.' Then Jacob asked him, 'Please tell me your name.' But he said, 'Why is it that you ask my name?' And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, 'For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved.' The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*Psalm 17:1-7, 15 – Please remain seated and pray the Psalm responsively by verse.*

Hear a just cause, O Lord; attend to my cry; give ear to my prayer from lips free of deceit.

**From you let my vindication come; let your eyes see the right.**

If you try my heart, if you visit me by night, if you test me, you will find no wickedness in me; my mouth does not transgress.

**As for what others do, by the word of your lips I have avoided the ways of the violent.**

My steps have held fast to your paths; my feet have not slipped.

**I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God; incline your ear to me, hear my words.**

Wondrously show your steadfast love, O saviour of those who seek refuge from their adversaries at your right hand.

**As for me, I shall behold your face in righteousness; when I awake I shall be satisfied, beholding your likeness.**

*Romans 9:1-5*

I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit—I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed for ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

*Matthew 14:13-21*

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, 'This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.' Jesus said to them, 'They need not go away; you give them something to eat.' They replied, 'We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.' And he said, 'Bring them here to me.' Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken

pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## The Sermon

### The Nicene Creed

**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

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;  
**For our families, friends and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

For this community, the nation and the world;  
**For all who work for justice, freedom and peace.**

For the just and proper use of your creation;  
**For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice and oppression.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;  
**For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

For the peace and unity of the Church of God.  
**For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop and Sean, our Bishop and all Bishops and other ministers;  
**For all who serve God in the Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Parishioners

**Doris Bohn, Bill & Lu Ess, Mona Gaddis, Marje Hagberg, Barbara Harrison, Art Henning, GG Michaels, Sue Petherick, Toni Spence, Joyce VanTine, Guy Kim Walser, Kathy Zigrossi**

Family

**Rich, Bret, Catie, Mark, Leonard, Silas, Bert, Bob & Mary, Linda, Patsy, Danita, Kristan & Family, Tommy, Anna, Leighton, Bruce, Breni, Doni, Arlene and Jane, Scott**

Military

**Matthew, Jimmy, Mary Elise, Bill, Len and Kevin**

Friends

**The Wafa family, Mindy, Bettina, Jennifer, Father Jim Heidt, Donny, Douglas, Smitty, the Claybots family, Christina and Baby Jordan, Gladys, Nancy, Marilyn, Colleen, Bruce, Bo, Lori, Pam**

We also remember **Province of the Anglican Church of the Congo; St. Philip's, Buffalo; St. Simon's, Buffalo; The Cathedral of St. Paul, Erie**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life, including those who are celebrating birthdays this week:

**June Dempsey, Daniel Hibschweiler, Harper Hutchinson, Christopher Rowan, Mary Arlene Leney** and other blessings we name silently or aloud

*Silence*

We will exalt you, O God our King;  
**And praise your name for ever and ever.**

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom;

*Silence*

*The people may add their own petitions*

Lord let your loving-kindness be upon them;  
**Who put their trust in you.**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and**

**serve you in the newness of life, to the honor and glory of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Almighty God, have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.  
**Amen.**

The Peace –

The peace of Christ be always with you. **And also with you.**  
*Please greet one another with a visible sign of God's peace.*

Offertory - Let us with gladness offer our gifts to the Lord.

Offertory Music: "Abide with Me"

W H Monk

*Please stand (if you are able) for the Doxology –*  
**Hymn 380, verse 3**

The Great Thanksgiving

God be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **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.

For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.



Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

### The Sanctus - Hymnal S130

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

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 thank 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:

**We remember Christ's death, We proclaim Christ's resurrection,  
We await Christ's coming in glory;**

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 beloved children; 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 pray,

**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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. **Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and lives through you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*Please come forward to receive communion one row at a time.  
Please let the priest know if you need a gluten-free wafer.*

Communion Music: “Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring” J S Bach

Let us pray.

**Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

### The Blessing

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Hymnal **397** – “Now thank we all our God ” Martin Rinckart

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Organ Postlude: “The Lord is my Light” Francis Allison

## Serving Today

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Sarah M. Rieth

Deacon: The Rev. Leann P. McConchie

Counters: Darlene Pazda, Paul Mikulski

Readers (8 a.m.): Bob Scheib / Debbie George

Readers (10 a.m.): Peggy Anderson, Mike Matthews

Organist: Marilyn Brady

Cantor: Kerrykate Abel

## This Week at St. Paul's

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| Monday, August 7  | 7:00 p.m.        | Vestry Meeting   |
| Tuesday, August 8 | 9:30 a.m.        | Zoom Bible Study |
| Sunday, August 13 | 8 a.m. & 10 a.m. | Sunday Service   |
|                   | 10 a.m.          | Digital Service  |

## In the Building This Week

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| Tuesday, August 8   | 8:00 p.m. | NA Meeting       |
| Wednesday, August 9 | 8:30 p.m. | Men's AA Meeting |
| Friday, August 11   | 8:00 p.m. | Men's AA Meeting |

**This week's birthdays:** (8/6) June Dempsey, (8/8) Daniel Hibscheiler, (8/8) Harper Hutchinson, (8/9) Christopher Rowan, (8/10) Mary Arlene Leney

# **Recycle and Help St. Paul's!**

We have opened an account at the bottle retrieval center at 9870 Main St, Clarence, NY 14031, you can drop off a bag of cans/bottles and let them know that they are St Paul's and the money will come back to us! This is a great way to make returns quick and easy plus help us fundraise for the church!

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## **STILL LOOKING FOR PICTURES!**

Thanks to everyone who sent in pictures! But we still need some more! All pictures are welcome, but specifically we need recent pictures from:

- Youth Group events (lasertron) / youth gatherings
- Past Youth Missions
- Family Dinners / Game Nights / Social Gatherings
- Lego Competitions / Pokemon Gatherings
- School 6 donations / Harris Hill Elementary pictures
- Group Tours & Seeing Buffalo like a tourist photos
- Church Picnics & Kids Carnivals on front lawn
- Bark in the Park & Pet Blessings
- Chicken BBQ, Basket Raffles, Chili Sales
- Sleep in Heavenly Peace action shots
- Senior Christmas Lunch / Rockin' Seniors events

Don't worry about the quality of the picture – we have a great photo editor. You can email anything you have to [paulspals@gmail.com](mailto:paulspals@gmail.com)! Thank you!!!

**LEARN**  
**PRAY**  
**ACT**



### **Becoming the beloved Community**

**“Peace is not just the absence of conflict; peace is the creation of an environment where all can flourish, regardless of race, colour, creed, religion, gender, class, caste, or any other social markers of difference.”**

**-- Nelson Mandela**



Please detach and either put in the collection plate or in the office

**Changes to the prayer list**

\_\_\_\_\_ please  
\_\_\_ add/retain \_\_\_ delete from list  
(name of person being prayed for)

Category:

\_\_\_\_\_ parishioner  
\_\_\_\_\_ military

\_\_\_\_\_ family  
\_\_\_\_\_ friend

\_\_\_\_\_  
(your name)

**Address changes/additions**

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Name

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Birthday