

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost
Morning Prayer

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Welcome to St. Paul's!

We seek Christ and celebrate the mystery of God's love for all.

-Our Vision Statement-

We are progressive Christians in an open, inclusive, and affirming community of faith.

We provide a safe harbor for everyone on their spiritual journey.

We endeavor to bring God's presence to a world in need.

Newcomers and Guests: Please sign our guest book in the lobby where you entered and introduce yourselves. We would love to give you a thank you gift for praying with us and learn more about you.

Families with Children: We welcome people of any age who seek God's love and saving help.

The OK Corral is a good spot for small free-ranging kiddos.

Families are especially welcome to gather on the rug near the altar step, where you will also find children's activity bags. Quiet activities are available so kiddos can watch and learn while wiggling.



ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

An Inclusive and Progressive Community of Faith

The Holy Eucharist

18 October 2026

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost Morning Prayer

Gather

Share

The Presider invites members and visitors to share important milestones of God's work in their lives, like birthdays, anniversaries, job changes, new family members.

Participate

A member of the clergy or an elected leader shares important news about how to participate in the fellowship and mission of St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

Acknowledge

Officiant We begin by gratefully acknowledging the Native Peoples upon whose ancestral homeland we gather today. St. Paul's was built on the ancestral land of the Suquamish Nation. The Suquamish are known as the "People of the Clear Salt Water," and have lived in harmony with the lands and waterways along the Salish Sea for thousands of years.

People **We offer our respect to Elders past, present, and future.**

We Listen for God

Officiant Silence is not the absence of noise. Take a moment to breathe in God's Holy Spirit and listen for the presence of Christ among us in every place we are.

The people observe a moment of silent reflection begun by the toning of the singing bowl and ended with the ringing of the Martinique Bell.

The Word of God

Opening Hymn: Gather Hymnal #663 "Lord of All Hopefulness"

1. Lord of all hope - ful - ness, Lord of all joy,
2. Lord of all ea - ger - ness, Lord of all faith,
3. Lord of all kind - li - ness, Lord of all grace,
4. Lord of all gen - tle - ness, Lord of all calm,

Whose trust, ev - er child - like, no cares could de - stroy,
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,
Your hands swift to wel - come, your arms to em - brace,
Whose voice is con - tent - ment, whose pres - ence is balm,

Be there at our wak - ing, and give us, we pray,
Be there at our la - bors, and give us, we pray,
Be there at our hom - ing, and give us, we pray,
Be there at our sleep - ing, and give us, we pray,

Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

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Opening Sentence Psalm 43:3

Officiant Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me, and bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling.

Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon

Officiant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Silence may be kept.*

All **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.**

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

Invitatory and Psalter *All stand*

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Venite Psalm 95:1-7

Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the caverns of the earth, and the heights of the hills are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

Psalm 99 *Dominus regnavit*

1 The Lord is King; let the people tremble; he is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake.

2 **The Lord is great in Zion; he is high above all peoples.**

3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; he is the Holy One.

4 **"O mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."**

5 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and fall down before his footstool; he is the Holy One.

6 **Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, they called upon the Lord, and he answered them.**

7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.

8 **O Lord our God, you answered them indeed; you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds.**

9 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and worship him upon his holy hill; for the Lord our God is the Holy One.

All **Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

The Lessons

A Reading from the Book of Exodus 33:12-23

Moses said to the Lord, "See, you have said to me, 'Bring up this people'; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.' Now if I have found favor in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people." He said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." And he said to him, "If your presence will not

go, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth.” The Lord said to Moses, “I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name.” Moses said, “Show me your glory, I pray.” And he said, “I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, ‘The Lord’; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But,” he said, “you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live.” And the Lord continued, “See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen.”

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
All **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle 9 The First Song of Isaiah *Ecce, Deus* *Isaiah 12:2-6*

Surely, it is God who saves me; **I will trust in him and not be afraid.**

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, **and he will be my Savior.**

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing **from the springs of salvation.**

And on that day you shall say, **Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;**

Make his deeds known among the peoples; **see that they remember that his Name is exalted.**

Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, **and this is known in all the world.**

Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, **for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: **as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

A Reading from the Book of 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead-- Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

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Gospel Canticle

A Song of Praise *Benedictus es, Domine* *Song of the Three Young Men, 29-34*

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; **you are worthy of praise; glory to you.**

Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; **we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.**

Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; **on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.**

Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; **we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.**

Glory to you, beholding the depths; **in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.**

Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; **we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.**

The Gospel

Gospeler A reading from the Gospel of Matthew 22:15-22 ❖❖❖

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

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Sermon *Silence follows the sermon*

The Apostle's Creed

All **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

All **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.

Suffrages

Officiant Help us, O God our Savior;
All Deliver us and forgive us our sins.

Look upon your congregation;

Give to your people the blessing of peace.

Declare your glory among the nations;

And your wonders among all peoples.

Do not let the oppressed be shamed and turned away;

Never forget the lives of your poor.

Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you;

And your favor to those who are true of heart.

Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;

So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

The Collects

Collect of the Day: Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Collect for Sunday: O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Collect for the Nation: Almighty God, who has given this good land for our stewardship: We humbly ask you to bless this nation and fill us with gratitude for your call to love our neighbors. Sanctify our land with honorable work, sound learning, and orderly relationships. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion; from pride and arrogance, and from every evil way. Defend our liberties, and fashion into one united people the multitudes brought together through trial and sacrifice. Endue with the spirit of wisdom those holding authority in government, that there may be justice and peace at home, and that, be following in the path of our Savior, we may show forth your praise among the nations of the earth. In times of prosperity, fill our hearts with thankfulness, and in the days of trouble, let our trust in you never fail; which we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Collect for the Mission of the Church: Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Intercessions and Thanksgivings

Officiant I bid your prayers of intercession and thanksgiving, made silently or aloud.

When the period of prayer is finished, the Officiant concludes by saying, "Amen."

Offertory Hymn: Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Words by JOHN NEWTON

Traditional American Melody
Additional Words and Music by
CHRIS TOMLIN and LOUIE GIGLIO

The musical score is written for piano and voice. The piano part consists of two staves (treble and bass clef) with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#) and a 4/4 time signature. The tempo/mood is marked 'mp' (mezzo-piano). The score is divided into three systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The first system includes chord markings: D5, Dsus2, and D5. The second system includes the lyrics: 'A - maz - ing _ grace, how sweet the sound, _ that'. The third system includes the lyrics: 'saved a _ wretch like _ me. I _ once was lost but now I'm found, was _ blind but now _ I see. 'Twas grace that taught my _ heart to fear, _ and grace my fears re - Lord has prom - ised _ good to me, _ His Word my hope se -'. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody.

D5 Dsus2 D5

mp

A - maz - ing _ grace, how sweet the sound, _ that

saved a _ wretch like _ me. I _ once was lost but

now I'm found, was _ blind but now _ I see. 'Twas

grace that taught my _ heart to fear, _ and grace my fears re -
Lord has prom - ised _ good to me, _ His Word my hope se -

lied. How pre - cious did that grace ap - pear the
 cures. He will my shield and por - tion be as

hour I first be - lied. } My chains are gone, I've been set
 long as life en - dures. }

free. My God, my Sav - ior has ran - somed

me. And like a flood, His mer - cy rains un - end - ing

27 A7sus/E A7sus D A/D
 love, a - maz - ing grace.

30 D A/D D D/F#

The grace. My chains are

gone, I've been set free. My God, my

Sav - ior has ran - somed me. And like a

flood, His mer - cy rains un - end - ing

love, a - maz - ing grace. The

mp

earth shall soon dis - solve like snow, the sun for - bear to

shine. But - God, who - called me here be - low will

be for - ev - er mine, will be for - ev - er

mine. You are for - ev - er mine.

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Officiant Everliving Creator, we forget that all we have comes from you. We offer you tokens of our labor to remind us that we are utterly dependent on you for our memory, hope, and very breath. **Amen.**

The General Thanksgiving

All Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. **Amen.**

Sending

Deacon (or Officiant)

Let us bless the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Closing Hymn: Gather Hymnal #567 "Holy Holy Holy Lord God Almighty"

1. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
2. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
3. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,
4. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
Cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
Though the eye made blind by sin thy glo - ry may not see,
All thy works shall praise thy Name in earth and sky and sea.

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!
Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
On - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.
God ev - er - last - ing through e - ter - ni - ty.
Per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pu - ri - ty.
God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

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Concluding Sentence 2 Corinthians 13:14

Officiant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

Altar Memorial

This Sunday's sanctuary candle was given in loving memory of Grace Moore, Rev. Declan Jarry III's grandmother.