

# SAINT PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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and that we are recipients of and participants in that healing and restoration.*



SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2024  
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# The Holy Eucharist - Rite II

Welcome to St. Paul's! We are grateful for your prayers and presence on this day in the life of the parish community. We hope that your worship with us will be both inspirational and spiritually nurturing. Please feel free to participate in the worship service as much or as little as you wish. Everyone is welcome to receive Holy Communion at the Lord's table.

Our worship service takes place here and online; it is also being recorded for later viewing. Feel free to greet one another as is your custom as you gather. When we are ready to start, our Angels Aloft will sound an opening bell. This signals those gathered that our service is now being recorded. Please maintain quiet and turn your attention to our opening activities at this time.



Opening Bell

Welcome

*Celebrant*

Announcements

*Member of Vestry*

Prelude

“We Remember You” – Kirk Dearman arr, by Carol Tornquist

Land Acknowledgement

*Celebrant*

*We acknowledge that we are on the traditional lands of the Coast Salish peoples who have reserve treaty rights to this land, including the Skagit Tribe who have stewarded this land throughout the generations. We thank these caretakers of this land, who have lived, and continue to live, here since time immemorial.*

Mission Statement

*Presider and People:*

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**Opening Hymn**..... “He is Risen!.....” Hymn 180

## Easter Greeting

*Please stand as able.*

Presider: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**People: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

## The Collect for Purity

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.

**Gloria** ..... Hymn S278..... *Here and next page*

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -  
might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we  
praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,  
on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;  
5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

## Gloria cont.

ceive our prayer. 6. For  
you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,  
7. you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the  
Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of  
God the Fa - ther. A - - men.

## The Collect

Presider: God be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Presider: Let us pray.

*Presider and People:*

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## The Liturgy of the Word

*Please be seated.*

### A Reading From Acts 3:12-19

Peter addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him.

But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. "And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

## The Response

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 4

### *Cum invocarem*

- 1 Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; \*  
**you set me free when I am hard-pressed;  
have mercy on me and hear my prayer.**
- 2 "You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; \*  
**how long will you worship dumb idols  
and run after false gods?"**
- 3 Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful; \*  
**when I call upon the LORD, he will hear me.**
- 4 Tremble, then, and do not sin; \*  
**speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.**
- 5 Offer the appointed sacrifices \*  
**and put your trust in the LORD.**
- 6 Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see better times!" \*  
**Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O LORD.**
- 7 You have put gladness in my heart, \*  
**more than when grain and wine and oil increase.**
- 8 I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; \*  
**for only you, LORD, make me dwell in safety.**

## 1 John 3:1-7

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in

him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn .....“Alleluia, Alleluia” ..... Hymn 191

**Presider: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Luke 24:36b-48**

Jesus himself stood among the disciples and said to them, “Peace be with you.” They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, “Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?” They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Please be seated.*

The Sermon

Reverend Dennis Taylor

*Sermon notes page at the back of the booklet*

*Please stand as able.*

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:  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
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,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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**

Intercessor: Everliving God, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
**People: That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
**That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
**That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
**That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest;  
**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
**May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**  
Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Silence.*

*Here other intercessions may be offered, silently or aloud.*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

## **Confession and Absolution**

Deacon (Presider): Let us confess our sins to God.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Presider and People:*

**God of all mercy,  
we confess that we have sinned against you,  
opposing your will in our lives.  
We have denied your goodness in each other,  
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.  
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,  
the evil we have done,  
and the evil done on our behalf.  
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us  
through our Savior Jesus Christ,  
that we may abide in your love  
and serve only your will. Amen.**

*Presider speaks an Absolution.*



## The Peace / **La Paz**

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you. / La paz del Señor sea siempre con ustedes.

People: And also with you. / **Y con tu espíritu.**

*If you are worshiping with us virtually, use the chat function to “say” peace to your fellow parishioners, or text/email someone with whom you would like to share the peace of Christ.*

## **Celebrations and Thanksgiving of Life**

**Offertory** ..... “Be Thou My Visison” .....Hymn 488

*Your gifts are much appreciated.*

*If you are joining this live stream, you may mail your offering/pledge to 415 S. 18<sup>th</sup> Street, Mount Vernon, WA 98274. You can also make payments online at [www.stpaulsmv.org](http://www.stpaulsmv.org)*

**Doxology - Sung to the Tune of “All Creatures of Our God and King”**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow**

**Praise God all creatures here below**

**Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Praise God above ye heavenly hosts**

**Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost**

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**The Holy Communion** .....**Eucharistic Prayer D**

*Intinction, also known as dipping the bread in the wine, is not practiced here. If you do not wish to drink from the common cup, please cross your arms in front of our chest as the chalice bearer approaches. The full grace of the sacrament is received with only the bread.*

*All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to come forward for communion or blessing. Gluten free wafers are available. The assembly is invited to stand as they are able for the Eucharistic Prayer.*

Presider: God be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.  
**People: We lift our hearts to God.**

Presider: Let us give thanks to the one who created us.  
**People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Presider: It is truly right to glorify you, O God, our Refuge and Strength, and to give you thanks, for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and forever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

Presider and People:

San - to, san - to, san - to, mi cor - a - zon te a - do - ra! Mi  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you! My

cor - a - zon te sa - be de - cir: san - to e - res Se - ñor.  
heart is glad to say the words: you are ho - ly, Lord.

Presider: We acclaim you, Holy God, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, given the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might dwell as faithful companions with all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power

of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Gracious God, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, Jesus lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom, to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose, Jesus gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new. And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for the One who died and rose for us, Jesus sent the Holy Spirit, the first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for Jesus to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, Jesus loved them to the end; at supper with them Jesus took bread, broke it, and gave it to them, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; offered thanks and 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Most Blessed One, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and descent among the dead, proclaiming Christ's resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting Christ's coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

### **Presider and People:**

**We praise you, we bless you,  
we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, the Rock of our Salvation.**

Presider continues:

We pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, O God, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

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Remember our Bishops all who minister in your Church.

Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth.

Remember...

Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with matriarchs, patriarchs, prophets, apostles and martyrs, with St. Paul and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Redeemer.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God our Creator, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, forever and forever. **AMEN.**

Presider: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray: *here and the next page*

Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your Name,  
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in  
hea - ven. Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.  
For - give us our sins as we for - give those who  
sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of trial,  
and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom the pow - er,

and the glo - ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Fraction Song

Se - ñor y Je - su - cris - to, Hi - jo del Dios vi - vo. Se - ñor y Je - su - cris - to, Hi -  
 Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the li - ving God, Lord Jesus Christ, Son

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jo del Dios vi - vo. O - ten mi - se - ri - cor - dia de no - so - tros pe - ca - do - res. O -  
 of the li - ving God; O have mer - cy on us sin - ners, O

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ten mi - se - ri - cor - ida de no - so - tros pe - ca - do - res.  
 have mer - cy on us sin - ners.

Presider: Alleluia! We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ

**People: We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread. Alleluia!**

*Please be seated.*

*Those present, are invited to receive Holy Communion. You can approach the altar at the direction of the usher.*

*Those with us online, during these next moments of meditation, wherever you are, receive God's gifts to you.*

*We share spiritual communion today.*

**Communion Hymn**“..... Let Us Break Bread Together on Our Knees”.....Hymn 325

## **Sending out of Eucharistic Visitors:**

*The Presider sends forth the Eucharistic Minister with a blessing:*

Presider: We who are many are one body

**People: Because we all share one bread, one cup.**

Presider: In the name of God and of this congregation 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: As you have been fed, now feed others in the name of Christ.**

Presider: Our prayers go with you, go in peace. Amen.

## **Post Communion Prayer**

Presider: Let us pray.

**God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Blessing

**Closing Hymn**.....“Christ is Alive .....Hymn 182

Dismissal

Presider: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
Alleluia, Alleluia!

**People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Postlude ..... “Sing We Alleluia” by Jay Althouse

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*Offertory - Thank you for giving!*  
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Serving Today:

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Presider	The Reverend Paul Moore
Preacher:	Rev. Dennis Taylor
Deacon:	Rev. Vicki Johnson
Musician	Elizabeth Mahoney-Niven
Eucharistic Minister:	Sherri Greenleaf
Greeters:	Sally Rode & Lauren Wright
Lector(s):	Susan Sanderson & Sandy McDougall
Counters:	Elizabeth Tucker & Margie Lauer

St. Paul's Prayer Team prays daily for those on the prayer list.  
Please email Penny Worrell at [penny.worrell@gmail.com](mailto:penny.worrell@gmail.com).

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# Announcements for April 14, 2024

Welcome to our guests: We are so glad that you are worshipping with us today! Please put your name and contact information in our guest book so that we may get to know you better.

## **Paths to Understanding**

Pastor Terry Kylo, formerly of this parish, has written a book called, *Go and Do Likewise*, and there are several interesting Zoom conversations in honor of the book's launch.

Details on the conversations and how to register are in your email newsletter.

## **Cathedral Day**

Please save April 27th for Cathedral Day. At it, people who would like to officially join St. Paul's can do so. The rest of us can go along to support them. We will coordinate transportation. A number of people from Resurrección will also be going. If you are one of those who would like to join us, please speak with Fr. Paul.

## **SonShine Stitchers**

The SonShine Stitchers meet the first and third Wednesdays from 1 to 3 pm in the church. Please join us this upcoming Wednesday, March 13. Bring a project, an idea, a friend. All are welcome.

## **Earth Day, April 22**

"This year's theme, Planet vs. Plastics, underscores the urgent need to address plastic pollution for the sake of human and planetary health. EARTHDAY.ORG is committed to demanding a 60% reduction in the production of ALL plastics by 2040 and advocating for a strong UN Treaty on plastic Pollution. Let's join the movement, explore innovative solutions, and take action to protect our planet!"

For more information go to [www.earthday.org](http://www.earthday.org)

## **Covid Tests**

There are free covid tests in the Parish Hall. It's a good idea to have one in advance of needing one, so stop by and get one as necessary. There are two tests in each kit. It's just one more way to show caring to those around you.



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### **Newcomer Luncheon - Postponed**

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the Newcomers Luncheon is being postponed. A new date will be coming soon. Check here for updates.

### **Vestry**

Vestry meetings are every second Tuesday at 4:30, usually in the Fireside room and are open meetings.

Your Vestry are:

Rector: ..... The Rev. Paul Moore

Treasurer: ..... Margaret Bird

Clerk: ..... Joe Thomas

Senior Warden: . Margie Lauer

Junior Warden: . Carol Boss

Member ..... Sue Shepherd

Member ..... Tony Smith



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We ask that those worshipping with us online reverently pray and meditate on God's grace and blessing whenever you observe the Eucharist being taken.

TELECOIL ASSIST AVAILABLE.



HEADPHONES ARE ALSO AVAILABLE,  
PLEASE SEE A GREETER.

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