



SAINT PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
SUNDAY, JULY 19, 2026
9:30 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST
THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



TELECOIL ASSIST AVAILABLE
HEADPHONES ARE ALSO AVAILABLE
PLEASE SEE A GREETER FOR ASSISTANCE

Welcome to St. Pauls! 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.

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.

Land Acknowledgement

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 the land, who have lived here and continue to live here since time immemorial.

Our Mission Statement

We believe that God is healing and restoring the world, and that we are recipients of and participants in that healing and restoration.

Prayer For The Search Of The Next Rector

Eternal Guide, please watch over our steps as the congregations of Resurreccion and Saint Paul's walk the path of selecting a new rector. Guide the hearts and minds of those who will choose a spiritual leader and pastor for us – a leader who will care for your people and prepare us for our ministries. We ask that you bless them with insight, faithfulness, patience, and joy, so that they may truly hear your voice during their decision-making. Open the hearts of those who feel called to embark on this journey to an unfamiliar place, and walk with us as we trust in this process together. For the wonder of your love, **Amen.**

Serving Today:

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Presider and Preacher:	The Rev'd David Walker
Music Director:	J.J. Cully
Cantor:	Alec McDougall
Eucharistic Minister:	Mary Ann Taylor
Eucharistic Visitors:	Acacia McDermott & Mary Ann Taylor
Acolyte:	Acacia McDermott
Greeters:	Grace Kamano, Roland & Kassian Crudder
Lectors:	Barbara Tasker-Mueller & Jen McCabe
Counters:	Margie Lauer & Martha Lum

St. Paul's Prayer Team prays daily for those on the prayer list. Please email Acacia McDermott at redwoodam@proton.me

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The Holy Eucharist - Rite II

Welcome Presider

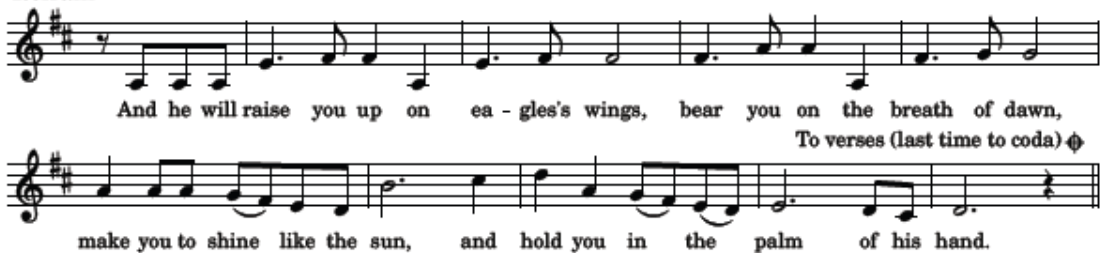
Prelude *Under His Wings*

Opening Hymn **On Eagles Wings** *This page and next*

Verse 1



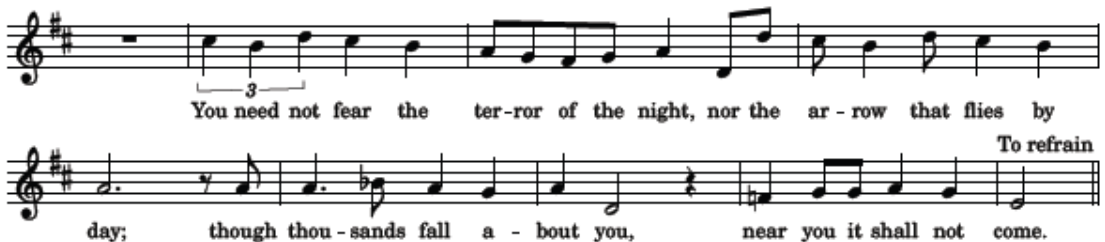
Refrain



Verse 2



Verse 3



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Verse 4

For to his angels he's giv-en a com-mand to guard you in all of your ways; up-

To refrain

-on their hands they will bear you up, lest you dash your foot a- gainst a stone.

Refrain

And he will raise you up on ea - gles's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn,

To verses (last time to coda) ♢

make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.

♢ Coda

And hold you, hold you in the palm of his hand

Opening Acclamation

Presider: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God

People: Glory to God for ever and ever.

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.**

Hymn of Praise

Gloria..... Hymn S278

In the front of the blue hymnal

The Collect of the Day

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

Presider and People: Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

Please be seated.

Lector: A Reading From Genesis 28:10-19a

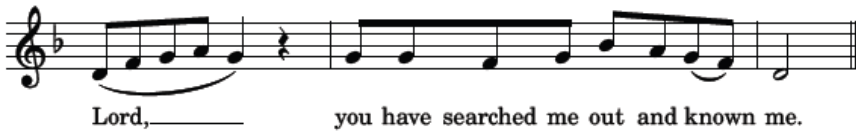
Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the LORD stood beside him and said, "I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the LORD is in this place—and I did not know it!" And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. He called that place Bethel.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 139:1-2, 6-11



1. You know my sitting down and my rising up, you discern my thoughts from afar.
You trace my journeys and my resting-places and are acquainted with all my ways.
2. Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence.
If I climb up to heaven, you are there; if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.
3. If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
even there your hand will lead me and your right hand hold me fast.
4. If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me, and the light around me turn to night,"
Darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day; darkness and light to you
are both alike.

Lector: A Reading from Romans 8:12-25

There Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn..... Lord, Be Thy Word My RuleHymn 626

Presider: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43
People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?’ He answered, ‘An enemy has done this.’ The slaves said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’ But he replied, ‘No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’”

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!”

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

The Sermon..... The Rev’d David Walker

The Nicene Creed

Please stand as able.

**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 – Form V

Eucharistic Minister: In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy"

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault
at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Sean, our Presiding Bishop, for Philip our own Bishop, for David our Interim Priest, for
Dennis our Deacon, for Rilla, Keith, Vicki, and Gary, our retired Priests, for all bishops and
other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all
may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of
the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those in positions of public trust, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this congregation, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

To you, O Lord our God.

Silence

Presider: For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

Presider: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Presider and People: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and 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 you Name. **Amen.**

Presider: 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

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

If you are worshipping 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 Thanksgivings

Offertory.....Fly Like a BirdThis page and next

Verses



1. O God, you know who I am.
2. Where can I run from your love?
3. When I am down and a - fraid,



1. You know my hopes and my dreams.
2. Where can I hide from my God?
3. when I am fall - ing a - way,

In my
From the
you ex -



1. pon - der-ing and fears, in my joy and in my tears,
2. dawn of morn ing's light to the dark - ness of the night,
3. -tend a gen - tle hand, and I know you un - der - stand.



1-3. O God, your pres - ence is real.

D.C.

Chorus

Fly like a bird to the Lord, my soul.

I want to soar like an eagle.

Though I may journey far a way from home,

I know I'll never be alone.

1. 2. Fine

Your gifts are much appreciated.

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Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God all creatures here below
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

The Holy Communion -- Eucharistic Prayer A

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.

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.

Presider: God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to God.**

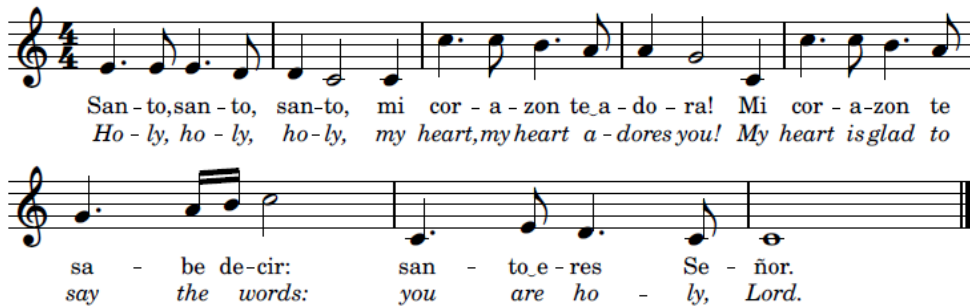
Presider: Let us give thanks to the One who created us.

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

Presider: It is 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:



Presider: Oh God, you are holy and gracious: 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, our Rock and our Foundation.

Jesus 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:

Presider and People: Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

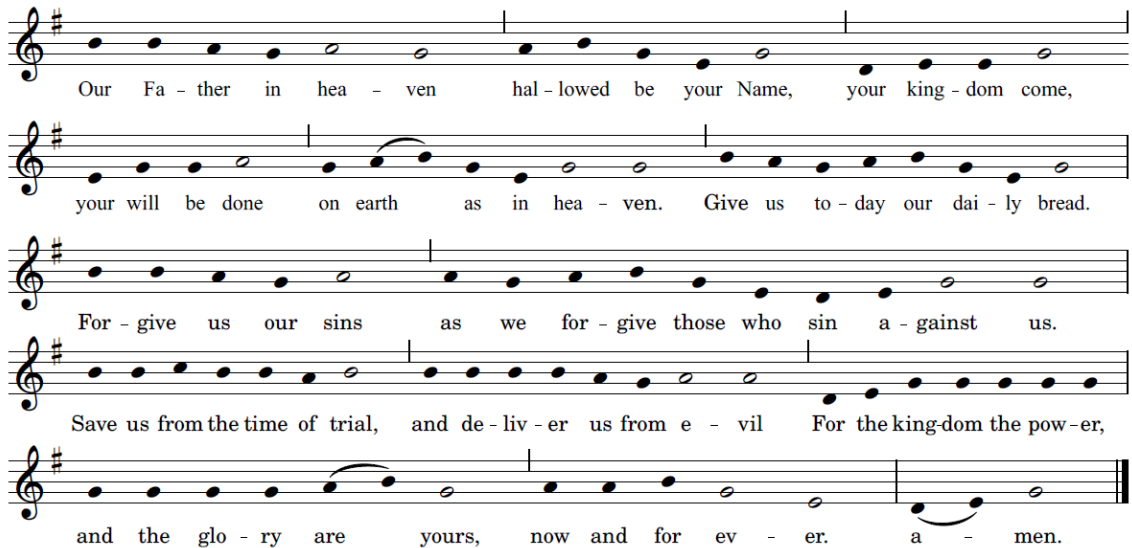
Christ will come again.

Presider: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's 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 Christ. 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 Reign.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Most Blessed One, now and for ever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,



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

Presider: Alleluia! Christ Our Passover is sacrificed for us:

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

Fraction HymnS161

Presider: The gifts of God for the People of God.

Those present are invited to receive Holy Communion. You can approach the altar after the invitation by the Presider. 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 Behold the Lamb



1. Those who were in the dark are thank - ful for the
 2. Peace - ful now, those whose hearts are blessed with un - der -
 3. Gen - tle one, Child of God, join with us at this
 4. Lord of all, give us light. De - liv - er us from

1. sun - light: we who live, we who die are grate - ful for his
 2. -stand - ing of the wheat, of the wine u - nit - ed with his
 3. ta - ble. Bless our lives; nour - ish all who hun - ger for this
 4. e - vil. Make us one; be our shield. Make still the winds that

1. gift, thank - ful for his love. _____
 2. word and the love we share. _____
 3. feast: shel - ter them with peace. _____
 4. blow; cra - dle us with love. _____

Be - hold, be - hold the Lamb of God. All who eat, all who
 drink shall live; _____ and all, all who dwell in God _____
 _____ shall come to know _____ his glo - ry. _____

Sending out of Eucharistic Visitors:

The Presider sends forth the Eucharistic Ministers:

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 HymnHope of the WorldHymn 472

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..... *Round ‘em Up* from American Sonatina by T. Brown

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Announcements and Opportunities

Take this page home with you to update your calendars.

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

Signs and Grace – Formation Opportunity

A three-week formation series called “Signs and Grace” started on July 8 with an overview of the Sacraments, last Wednesday July 15 the topic was Baptism. The third one is this coming Wednesday July 22, looking at The Eucharist. We will have soup and bread at 6 with the discussion starting at 6:30. There are sign-up sheets in the Parish Hall, one for bringing soup or bread and one of who will be attending so that we know how much soup to bring. All are welcome even if you missed the first two!

Altar Flowers

The altar flowers are given today by Paul and Judy Thompson in memory of their parents. Sign up on the clipboard in the Parish Hall to bring flowers to enhance our worship space. Contact Jen McCabe if you have questions.

Coffee Hour

This morning’s Coffee Hour is hosted by Carolyn’s Guild. Stay after worship for some coffee and conversation.

You can also sign up on the clipboard to host coffee hour. It doesn’t have to be elaborate, just cookies and coffee are great! Contact Arlene Zimmerman or Melissa Bird if you have questions.

Morning Prayer

Morning prayer is offered each Wednesday morning at 9:00, both in-person and by zoom. ***Check FaceBook and the church website for Zoom link and phone-in information, as well as the pertinent page number from the Book of Common Prayer.***

Mass on the Grass

Mark your calendars for Mass on the Grass August 9 at Hillcrest Park in the Gazebo. More details will be coming.

Art in the Narthex

The art in the narthex are Prayer Mandalas drawn by Acacia McDermott. Thanks Acacia for sharing these drawings.

Do you have art you would like to display in the narthex? Religious or otherwise, we enjoy seeing what parishioners enjoy in their homes. It does not have to be your own artwork. It can be fiber, glass, paint, sculpture or whatever medium. Contact Margie Lauer to arrange scheduling. 425.248.9336

Mayor’s Coffee Hour

We are invited to join Mount Vernon Mayor Peter Donovan at the next Mayor’s Coffee hour. This is a great opportunity to ask question, hear what’s happening at the city, and discuss concerns and relay ideas. Friday July 24, 10-11 am at Katt’s 2.0, 720 W Division St.