

SAINT PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2021

THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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The Holy Eucharist - Rite II

Welcome and Announcements

Please stand as able.

Opening Hymn

How Firm a Foundation

1 How firm a foun-da - tion, ye saints of the Lord, is laid for your
2 In ev - ery con - di - tion, in sick - ness, in health, in pov - er - ty's
3 Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dis-mayed, for I am thy
4 The soul that on Je - sus still leans for re - pose, I will not, I

faith in his ex - cel - lent Word; what more can he say than to
vare or a - bound - ing in wealth, at home or a - broad, on the
God, and will still give thee aid; I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and
can - not de - sert to his foes; that soul, though all hell should en -

you he hath said, who un - to the Sav - ior for ref - uge have fled?
land or the sea, as thy days may de-mand so thy suc - cor shall be.
cause thee to stand, up - held by my right-eous, om - nip - o - tent hand.
deav - or to shake, I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake!

Presider: Blessed be God, Earth Maker, Pain Bearer, Life Giver.

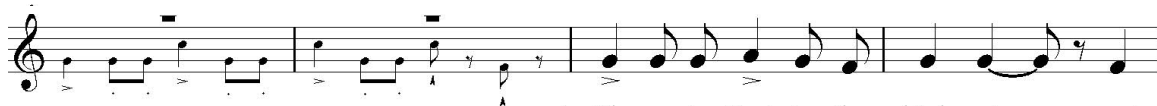
People: And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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

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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,



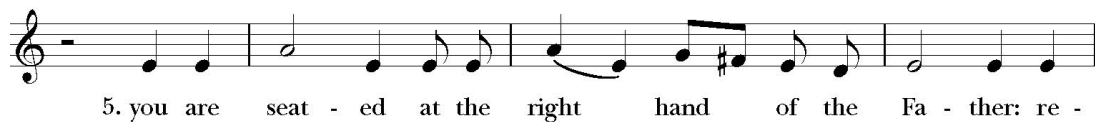
on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you



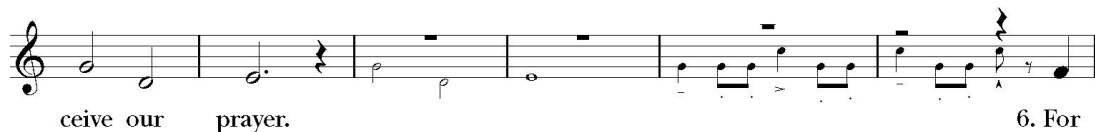
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;

Gloria

cont'd.



5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -



ceive our prayer. 6. For



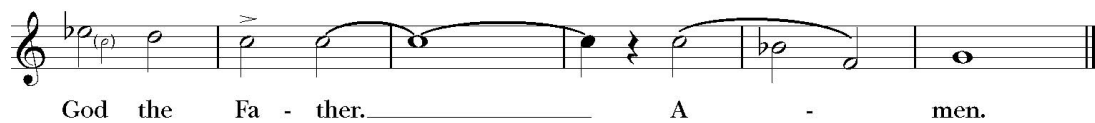
you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



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 of the Day

Presider: God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray together.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

Please be seated.

A Reading from Genesis 2:18-24

The Lord God said, “It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner.” So out of the ground the Lord God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said,

“This at last is bone of my bones
and flesh of my flesh;
this one shall be called Woman,
for out of Man this one was taken.”

Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 8:4-9



O Lord our Gov-er-nor, how ex-alt-ed is your Name in all the world.

When I consider your heavens, the/work of your fingers, *
the moon and the stars you have /set in their courses,
What is man that you should be /mindful of him? *
the son of man that /you should seek him out? [ANTIPHON]

You have made him but little /lower than the angels; *
you adorn him with /glo-ry and honor;
You give him mastery over the /works of your hands; *
you put all things /un-der his feet: [ANTIPHON]

—All /sheep and oxen, *
even the wild /beasts of the field,
The birds of the air, the /fish of the sea,
and whatsoever walks in the /paths of the sea. [ANTIPHON]



A Reading from Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere,

“What are human beings that you are mindful of them,
or mortals, that you care for them?

You have made them for a little while lower than the angels;
you have crowned them with glory and honor,
subjecting all things under their feet.”

Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying,

“I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.”

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

Fairest Lord Jesus

1 Fair - est Lord Je - sus, Ru - ler of all na - ture, O thou of
 2 Fair are the mea - dows, fair - er still the wood - lands, robed in the
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair - er still the moon - light, and all the

God and man the Son; thee will I cher - ish,
 bloom - ing garb of spring: Je - sus is fair - er,
 twink - ling, star - ry host: Je - sus shines bright - er,

thee will I hon - or, thou, my soul's glo - ry, joy, and crown.
 Je - sus is pur - er, who makes the woe - ful heart to sing.
 Je - sus shines pur - er, than all the an - gels heaven can boast.

Presider: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Mark 10:2-16

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ

Some Pharisees came, and to test Jesus they asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?” He answered them, “What did Moses command you?” They said, “Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her.” But Jesus said to them, “Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, ‘God made them male and female.’ ‘For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.”

Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, “Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.”

People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.” And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

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,
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

Eucharistic Minister: 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 the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence.

The People may add their own petitions.

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence.

The People may add their own thanksgivings.

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.

Blessing of the Animals:

Priest: Our help is in the name of the Lord

People: Who has made heaven and earth.

Priest: You have created all things.

People: And for your pleasure they are and were created.

Priest: Let us pray.

Almighty God, who gives us richly all things to enjoy, bless, we beseech You, these animals which we offer in your name and presence. That, caring for them with grateful hearts, we may know even more the joy of your salvation, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Priest: O God, who has made all things, bless, we pray these non-human companions, that they may be fountains of love and joy to those with whom they dwell. **Amen.**

O merciful Creator, your hand is open wide to satisfy the needs of every living creature. Make us always thankful for your loving providence; and grant that we, remembering the account we must one day give, may be faithful stewards of your good gifts and the creatures you have given into our charge; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession and Absolution

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.**

For those of you worshipping in person, please remain in your pew during the Peace.

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 Thanksgiving of Life

Offertory Anthem

“*Siyahamba*”

by St. Paul’s Choir
(Prerecorded and played on Zoom)

Your gifts are much appreciated.

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

Doxology

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

Please stand as able.

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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 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.

Holy and gracious God: 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:

Presider and People:

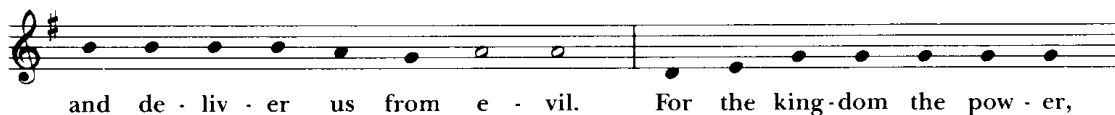
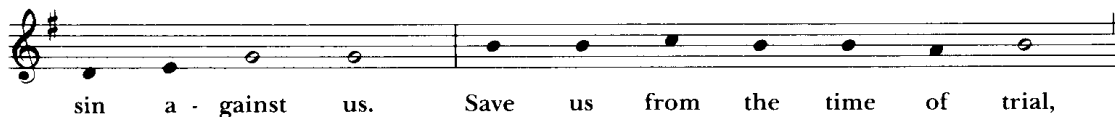
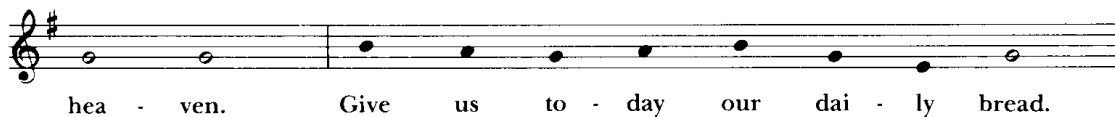
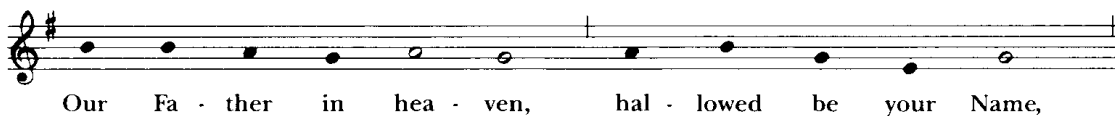
**Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**

Presider: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Loving God, 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 God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

Presider: As our Lord and Savior taught us, we are bold to pray:



The Breaking of the Bread

Presider: God of promise, you have prepared a banquet for us.

People: **Happy are those who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.**

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

Please be seated.

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

One Bread, One Body

Refrain

One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all,
one cup of bless-ing which we bless. And we, though
man-y, through-out the earth, we are one bod-y in this

Verses

one Lord. 1. Gen-tile or Jew, ser-vant or
2. Man-y the gifts, man-y the
3. Grain for the fields, scat-tered and

to Refrain

1. free, wom-an or man, no more.
2. works, one in the Lord of all.
3. grown, gath-ered to one, for all.

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. **Amen.**

Post Communion Prayer

Presider: Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly One, 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.

Blessing

1 I want to walk as a child of the light.
 2 I want to see the bright-ness of God.
 3 I'm look-ing for the com-ing of Christ.

I want to fol-low Je-sus.
 I want to look at Je-sus.
 I want to be with Je-sus.

God set the stars to give light to the world. The
 Clear sun of right-eous-ness, shine on my path, and
 When we have run with pa-tience the race, we

star of my life is Je-sus.
 show me the way to the Fa-ther.
 shall know the joy of Je-sus.

I Want to Walk As a Child of the Light

cont'd.

Refrain

In him there is no dark - ness at all. The

night and the day are both a - like. The

Lamb is the light of the ci - ty of God. *rit.*

a tempo

Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

Dismissal

The Celebrant dismisses them with these words:

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

- You are invited to enjoy the gift of postlude music and then greet your friends - afterwards.

We acknowledge that we are on the traditional lands of the Coast Salish peoples who have reserve treaty rights to this land, including the Upper Skagit, Skagit and Swinomish Tribes 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.

Offertory - Thank you for giving!

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Announcements for October 3, 2021

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.

Fall 2021 Book Study

Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. logon for a six week review of the book: *The New Jim Crow (Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness); Michelle Alexander; The New Press (New York, London); Tenth Anniversary Edition; 2020* (377 pages). Participants will offer suggestions for other books or topics for study as the year unfolds.

Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85860256930?pwd=RlNDVzZXZ2htQlNwRklQcWxJUHNlUT09>

Meeting ID: 858 6025 6930 & Passcode: 151617

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Celebrations and Thanksgiving of Life

Submit your celebrations of birthdays and other life events to be read aloud in the service via email (stpaulmv@comcast.net) by Wednesday afternoons at 2:00 p.m.

St. Paul's Son-Shine Stitchers - Next meeting, October 6!

If you quilt, crochet, knit, and needle point or any other textile work then feel free to join the St. Paul's Son-Shine Stitchers group. They meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. in the fireside room. You can come to as many sessions for as long as you like.

Welcome to Saint Paul's!

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. The prayer book gives directions as to when we stand, sit, or occasionally kneel; these are guidelines. What is more important is that you bring your complete self to worship God.

Everyone is welcome to receive Holy Communion at the Lord's table. We use real wine in the cup. If you wish to receive only a blessing, simply cross your arms in front of you as the priest approaches. If you do not want to drink from the chalice, keep the piece of bread on your open palm, and present it to the chalice bearer, who will then dip the bread into the wine and place it on your tongue. Non-gluten bread is also available. Please inform us if this is your preference. 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.

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