

SAINT PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2025
THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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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.



The Holy Eucharist - Rite II

Opening Bell

Welcome..... Celebrant

AnnouncementsMember of Vestry

Prelude.....God Will Take Care Of You..... Elizabeth Mahoney-Niven, piano

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, especially the Skagit Nation 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.

Mission Statement

Presider and People:
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The Word of God

Please stand as able.

Opening Hymn.....Healer of Our Every Ill

Heal - er of our ev - 'ry ill, light of each to - mor - row,
Give us peace be - yond our fear, and hope be - yond our sor - row.

1. You who know our fears and sad - ness,
2. In the pain and joy be - hold - ing,
3. Give us strength to love each oth - er,
4. You who know each thought and feel - ing,

Grace us with your peace and glad - ness,
How your grace is still un - fold - ing,
Ev - 'ry sis - ter, ev - 'ry broth - er,
Teach us all your way of heal - ing.

D.C.

Spr - it of all com - fort: fill our hearts.
Give us all your vi - sion: God of love.
Spir - it of all kind - ness: be our guide.
Spir - it of com - pas - sion: fill each heart.

Opening Acclamation

Presider: Blessed be God: Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier.

People: And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and forever. 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.

Hymn of Praise

GloriaHymn S280

In the front of the Blue Hymnal

The Collect of the Day

Presider: God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

Presider and People:

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through 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

Lector: A Reading from 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy."

When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

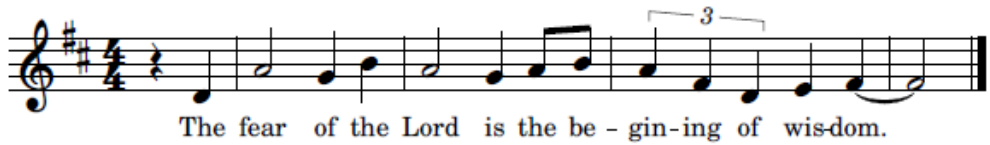
But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 111:1-2, 7-10



Canted Verses:

1. Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.
Great are the deeds of the Lord! They are studied by all who delight in them.
2. The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; all his commandments are sure. They stand fast for ever and ever, because they are done in truth and equity.
3. He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant for ever; holy and awesome is his Name.
The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;
Those who act accordingly have a good understanding; his praise endures for ever.

Lector: A Reading from 2 Timothy 2:8-15

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David-- that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;
if we endure, we will also reign with him;
if we deny him, he will also deny us;
if we are faithless, he remains faithful--
for he cannot deny himself.

Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn Thine Arm O LordHymn 567

Presider: The Holy Gospel of our Lord according to Luke 17:11-19

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Presider: On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

The Sermon The Reverend Rilla Barrett

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 Form VI

Deacon: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

*The Leader reads regular type, the **People** respond **boldly***

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 Sean, our presiding bishop, and Philip, our bishop, and all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

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.

Let us pray for the search process for our congregations;
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

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

Silence may be kept.

Presider and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful God; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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

OffertoryHealing Waters St. Paul’s Choir
Michael Rader, Bass Guitar

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 God above ye heavenly host
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.
Amen**

The Holy Communion Enriching Our Worship 2

*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.

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 our thanks and praise.**

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:





Presider: Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, 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.”

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

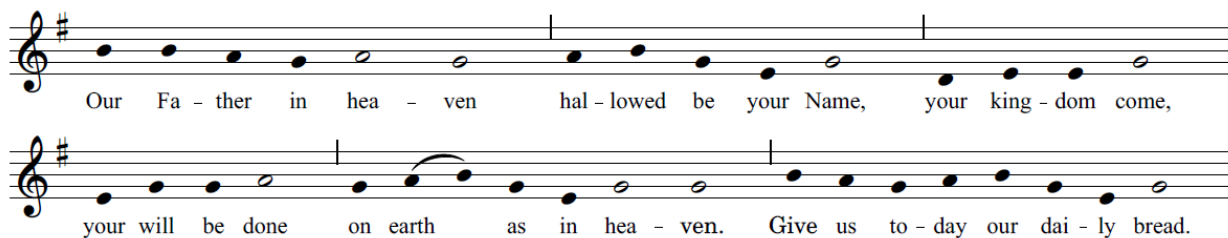
Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

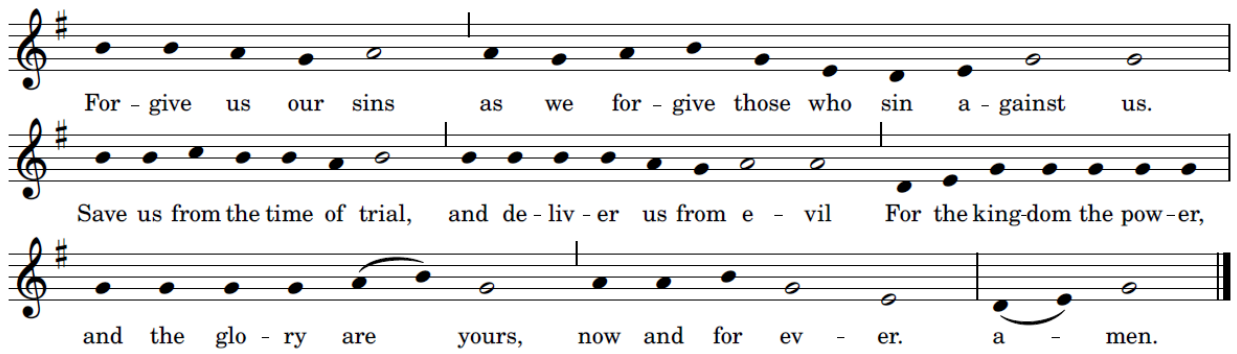
In the fullness of time bring us, with St. Paul and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen**

Amen.

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



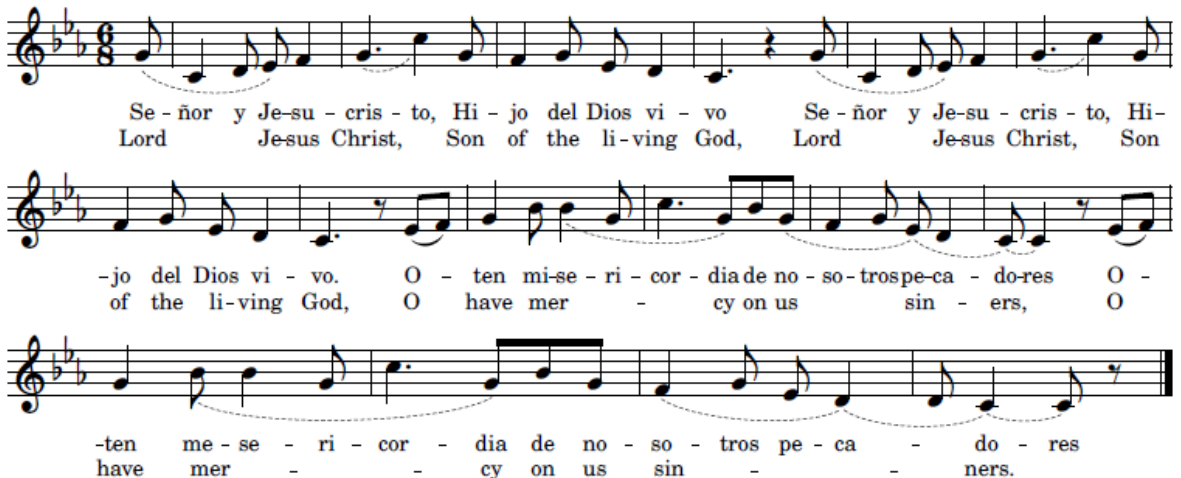


The Breaking of the Bread

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

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Fraction Hymn



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

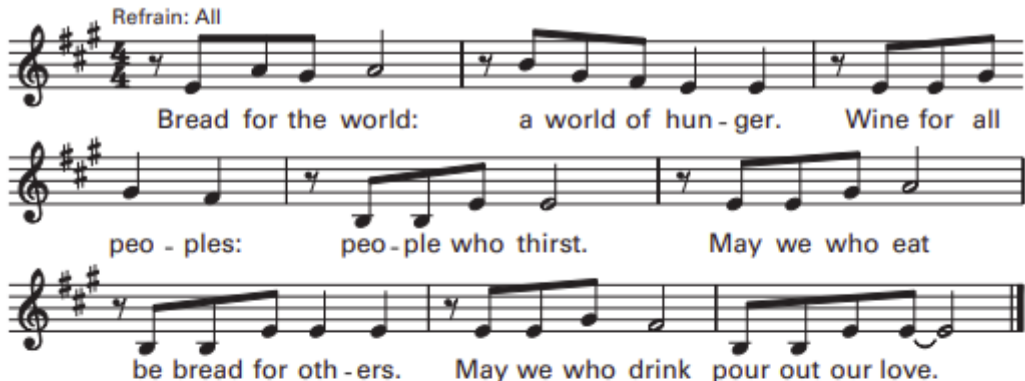
Please be seated.

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

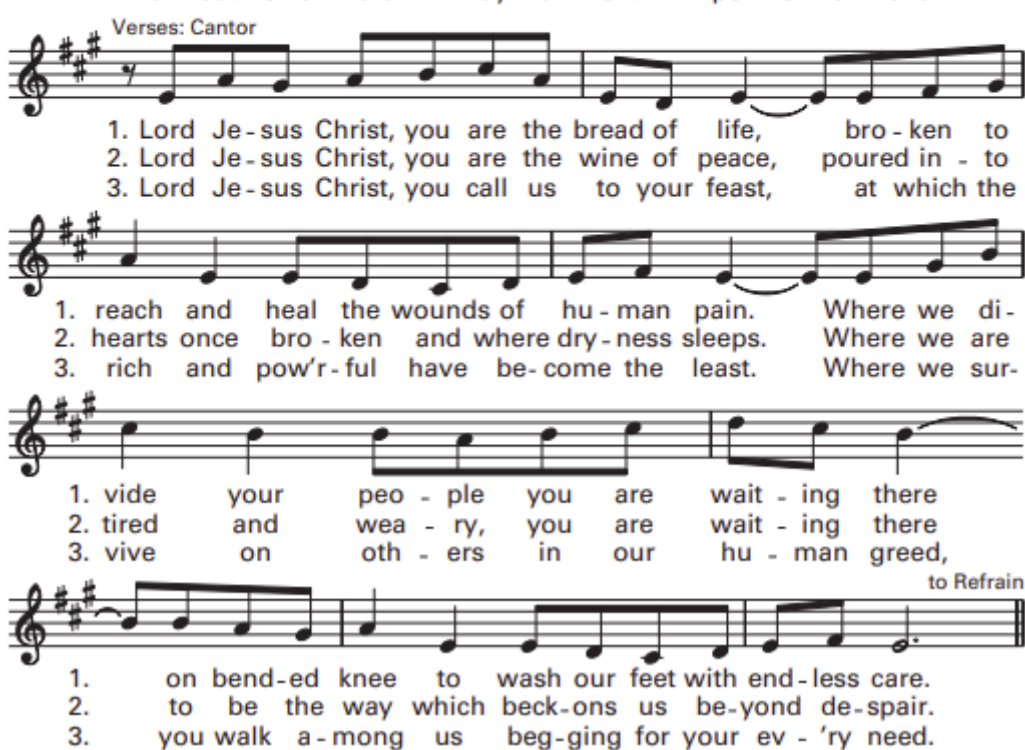
Communion Hymn.....Bread For The World

Refrain: All



Bread for the world: a world of hun - ger. Wine for all
peo - ples: peo - ple who thirst. May we who eat
be bread for oth - ers. May we who drink pour out our love.

Verses: Cantor



1. Lord Je - sus Christ, you are the bread of life, bro - ken to
2. Lord Je - sus Christ, you are the wine of peace, poured in - to
3. Lord Je - sus Christ, you call us to your feast, at which the

1. reach and heal the wounds of hu - man pain. Where we di -
2. hearts once bro - ken and where dry - ness sleeps. Where we are
3. rich and pow'r - ful have be - come the least. Where we sur -

1. vide your peo - ple you are wait - ing there
2. tired and wea - ry, you are wait - ing there
3. vive on oth - ers in our hu - man greed,

to Refrain

1. on bend - ed knee to wash our feet with end - less care.
2. to be the way which beck - ons us be - yond de - spair.
3. you walk a - mong us beg - ging for your ev - 'ry need.

Sending out of Eucharistic Visitors:

The Deacon sends forth the Eucharistic Ministers:

Deacon: We who are many are one body

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

Deacon: 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.

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

Post Communion Prayer

Deacon: 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

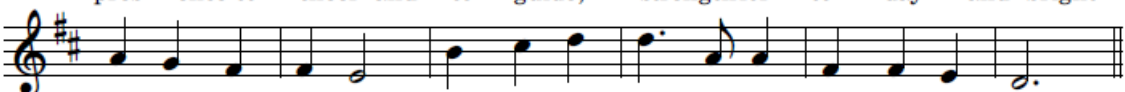
Closing Hymn Great is Thy Faithfulness This page and next



1. Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther: there is no
2. Sum - mer and win - ter and spring - time and har - vest, sun, moon, and
3. Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth, thine own dear



shad - ow of turn - ing with thee; thou chang - est not, thy com -
stars in their cours - es a - bove join with all na - ture in
pres - ence to cheer and to guide; strength for to - day and bright



-passions, they fail not; as thou has been, thou for - ev - er wilt be.
man - i - fold wit - ness to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
hope for to - mor - row, bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

Refrain Next Page

Refrain



Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People: Thanks be to God.

PostludeHe's Always Been Faithful Arr. Labenske

Serving Today:

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Presider and Preacher:	The Reverend Rilla Barrett
Serving:	Deacon Dennis Taylor
Music Director:	J.J. Cully
Eucharistic Minister:	Dan Niven
Eucharistic Visitors:	Acacia McDermott & Sandy McDougall
Acolyte:	Daniel Dempsey
Greeters:	Paul & Judy Thompson
Lector(s):	Margie Lauer & Jen McCabe
Counters:	Elizabeth Tucker & Dianna Hume

St. Paul's Prayer Team prays daily for those on the prayer list.

Please email Acacia McDermott redwoodam@proton.me.

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Announcements And Opportunities

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.

Altar Flowers

The flowers in the sanctuary today are brought to you by Julie Hagen in honor of Vicki Smaby Wesen's 80th birthday. Thanks so much Julie, and Happy Birthday Vicki!

Please sign up in the parish hall to contribute to this ongoing ministry.

Coffee Hour

The coffee hour this morning is hosted by Cathey Frederick and Ron & Pat Kostanich also in celebration of Rev. Vicki Smaby Wesen's birthday.

Please sign up on the clipboard in the Parish Hall to host a coffee hour. We have October 26 and all of November open. Questions? Contact Melissa Bird 360.622.1008.

Altar Guild Planning and Orientation

In anticipation of busy Advent and Christmas seasons, St. Paul's altar guild members will meet in the parish hall at St. Paul's on Saturday, October 18 at 11:00 for a planning meeting, orientation for our new members and lunch. If you are interested in joining our amazingly capable and flexible ministry, we look forward to getting to know you. Please let me know if you can make it! To ensure we have enough provisions please email Bonnie Schuh at myschuhfamily@gmail.com to RSVP for this event.

Parish Office Closures

The office will be closed October 29-30, and November 5-7 and 10-11. David will be on vacation out of state, then out of country. Last minute changes to the November 2nd and 9th bulletins will probably not happen. Prayers for traveling mercies are appreciated.

Veterans Food Drive

October 1 through November 11 the City of Mount Vernon is having a Veterans Food Drive. The City will be collecting donations of non-perishable food and household goods at participating locations. All donations will be distributed to veterans via Skagit Vet-Connect. Donations will be accepted in the bin in the narthex. Check the website for more location information. <https://mountvernonwa.gov/1124/Veterans-Day-Food-Drive>

Participants in Healing Second Half 2025 Ask

We are well into the second half of 2025, and Participants in Healing (PiH) has chosen Friendship House. The donation will be made around the holidays.

The ask is for you to consider giving an extra six percent, over whatever you believe is appropriate, to Participants in Healing, clearly marked on the gift. Thank you from the members of the PiH, Deacon Dennis Taylor, Carol Boss, Cathey Fredrick, Joe Thomas, Margie Lauer, Susan Sanderson, Darrin Rankin.

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

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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