SAINT PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2025 THE TWENTY SECOND 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

Welcome	Presider
Announcements	Member of Vestry
PreludeLord I Lift Your Name or	n Highby Rick Founds
Land Acknowledgement	Presider

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:

Opening Bell

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The Word of God

Please stand as able.

Opening Hymn Sing Praise to God who Reigns Above Hymn 408

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:

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

Lector: A Reading from Job 19:23-27a

Job said,

"O that my words were written down!

O that they were inscribed in a book!

O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock forever!

For I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at the last he will stand upon the earth;

and after my skin has been thus destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another."

Lector: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 17:1-7



Keep me as the ap-ple of your eye; hide me un-derthe sha-dow of your wings.

Canted Verses:

- 1. Hear my plea of innocence, O lord: give heed to my cry; listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.
 - Let my vindication come forth from your presence; let your eyes be fixed on Justice.
- 2. Weigh my heart, summon me by night, melt me down; you will find no impurity in me. My footsteps hold fast to the ways of your law; in your paths my feet shall not stumble.
- 3. I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me; incline your ear to me and hear my words.

Show me your marvelous loving-kindness, O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand from those who rise up against them.

Lector: A Reading from 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

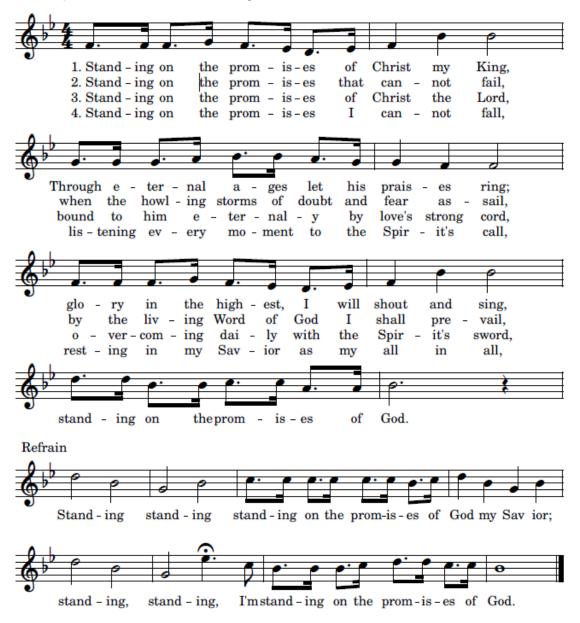
As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

Lector: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Gradual HymnStanding On the Promises



Presider: The Holy Gospel of our Lord according to Luke 20:27-38

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus and asked him a question, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her."

Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive."

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

Please be seated.

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

Deacon: 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

Anthem Lyrics

In our sorrow we journey head down, in our sorrow we journey had down, in the dust of defeat with our hearts at our feet, we are planting our seeds in the ground, we are planting our seeds in the ground.

May we offer our lives as the ground, may we offer our lives as the ground. Now our fears we forsake, let the seeds stir and wake, may they grow in the peace that we've found, may they grow in the peace that we've found.

It's a myst'ry, who knows? How the harvest grows, with our hand and our tears in the soil, From the ground, feel it rise, filled with joy and surprise, till the laughter like water flows, Till the laughter like water flows.

So give thanks and rejoice at the sound, so give thanks and rejoice at the sound, for the song rises still and our arms, God will fill, oh the harvest of love will astound, yes the harvest of love will astound!

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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 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.

Please stand as able

Presider: May God be with you.
Presider: 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, the 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: O 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 Jesus 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, Jesus 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.

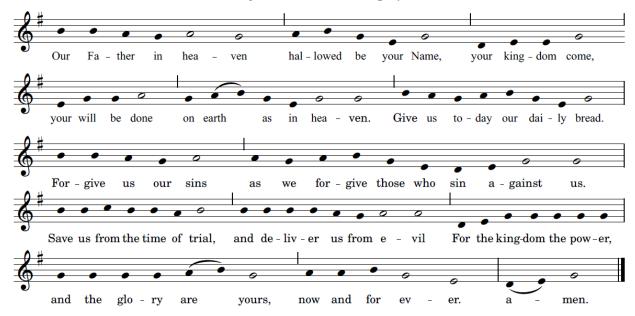
Christ will come again.

Presider: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Most Holy God, 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 are yours, Most Blessed One, now and forever. **Amen**.

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

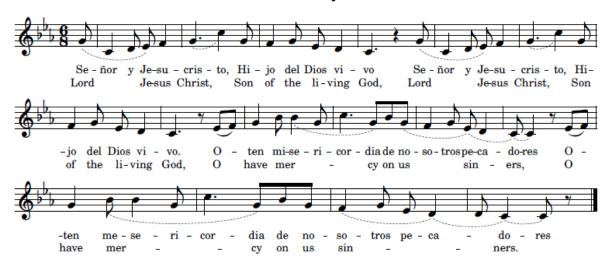


The Breaking of the Bread

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.

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

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

Dismissal

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

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude...... by Michael W. Smith

Serving Today:

9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Presider and Preacher: The Reverend Rilla Barrett Deacon: The Reverend Dennis Taylor

Musician: Karen Rentko Eucharistic Minister: Mary Ann Taylor

Eucharistic Visitors: Sandy McDougall & Mary Ann Taylor

Acolyte: Daniel Dempsey

Greeters: Susan Sanderson and Laura Molloy/Dempsey

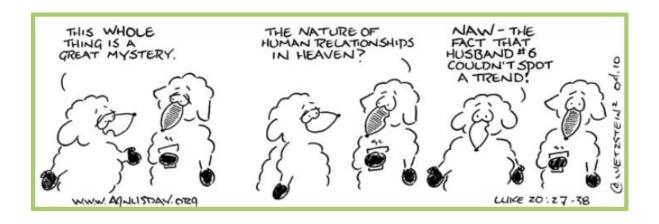
Lector(s): Nicole Smith & Dan Niven

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 Darcy Wells in loving memory of Ethan Chapin.

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

Coffee Hour

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

Office Closure

David is out of the office on vacation. The office will be closed Monday and Tuesday of this week, and back in the saddle on Wednesday. Thanks for your consideration during these days, prayers for air travel are greatly appreciated!

Day by Day

The November, December, January edition of Day by Day is available on the table outside the office. Pick one up and add a devotional to your day.

Food Drive for Veterans

The City of Mount Vernon Parks and Recreation is collecting food and household items to support Veterans through to Veterans Day, November 11. There is a box in the Narthex for this purpose.

Stewardship Letters and Pledge Cards.

Stewardship letters and pledge cards have been mailed. Be sure to look for yours, and prayerfully consider how you will respond. Please turn them in on or before December 7th which will be our Ingathering Sunday. Extra pledge cards are available if you have misplaced yours.

Please plan to attend services on November 23. Vicki Wesen will be our celebrant and preacher that day. In addition, Maggie Bird, or Parish Treasurer, will bring everyone up to date on current financial condition and what our needs are for the future.

"God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share in every good work." 2 Corinthians 9:8

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We ask that those worshiping 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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