

# St. Paul's EPISCOPAL CHURCH

SECOND SUNDAY  
AFTER PENTECOST

The Rev. Javier E. Almendárez-Bautista, Celebrant  
The Rev. Alice Graham Grant, Homilist

HOLY EUCHARIST  
9:00 A.M. SERVICE  
JUNE 2, 2024

**Prelude**

Carol Yeargin, Organist

**Processional**

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

Hymn 7

## Liturgy of the Word

**Opening Acclamation**

*The Celebrant says*

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People

*Glory to God for ever and ever.*

*The Celebrant says*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires are 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.*

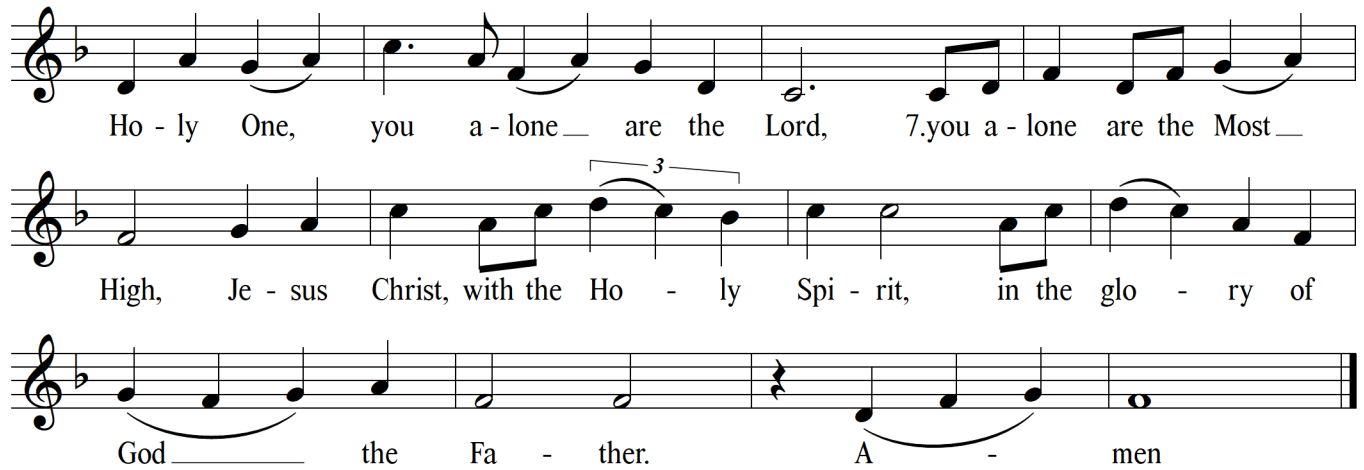
*The following is sung.*

**Gloria**

Glory to God

Hymnal S280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
 peace — to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y — God and  
 Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.  
 3. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the  
 right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the



**Collect of the Day**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.  
 People *And also with you.*  
 Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, your never-failing providence sets in order all things both in heaven and earth: Put away from us, we entreat you, all hurtful things, and give us those things which are profitable for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**Children’s Processional**

All Things Bright and Beautiful  
*Verse 1*

Hymn 405

*Children’s Chapel is for children 3 years old through 5th grade.*

**First Reading**

Deuteronomy 5:12-15

A Reading from Deuteronomy.

Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

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

**The Psalm**

Psalm 81:1-10

- 1 Sing with joy to God our strength \*  
and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.
- 2 Raise a song and sound the timbrel, \*  
the merry harp, and the lyre.
- 3 Blow the ram's-horn at the new moon, \*  
and at the full moon, the day of our feast.
- 4 For this is a statute for Israel, \*  
a law of the God of Jacob.
- 5 He laid it as a solemn charge upon Joseph, \*  
when he came out of the land of Egypt.
- 6 I heard an unfamiliar voice saying \*  
"I eased his shoulder from the burden;  
his hands were set free from bearing the load."
- 7 You called on me in trouble, and I saved you; \*  
I answered you from the secret place of thunder  
and tested you at the waters of Meribah.
- 8 Hear, O my people, and I will admonish you: \*  
O Israel, if you would but listen to me!
- 9 There shall be no strange god among you; \*  
you shall not worship a foreign god.

10 I am the LORD your God,  
who brought you out of the land of Egypt and said, \*  
"Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it."

## Second Reading

2 Corinthians 4:5-12

A Reading from Second Corinthians.

We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you.

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

## Gradual

Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word (Vs 1 and 2)

Hymn 440

## Gospel

Mark 2:23-3:6

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

One sabbath Jesus and his disciples were going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?" And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions." Then he said to them, "The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath."

Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. And he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come forward." Then he said to them, "Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

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

## Homily

The Rev. Alice Graham Grant

## Nicene Creed

*All who are able, stand.*

*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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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.*

## Prayers of the People

People's Response: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

## Confession of Sin

*The Deacon or Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*All who are able, kneel. Minister and People*

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

*The Priest stands and says*

BCP 360

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.*

**Peace**

BCP 360

Celebrant      The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
People         *And also with you.*

**Announcements**

*If you would like to donate online, follow the QR code found on the giving card in the back of the pews.*

*At the end of the announcements, you are also welcome to come forward to make a special donation to Heifer International, a non-profit organization whose mission is to end hunger and poverty, to mark an anniversary, blessing, or other event.*

**Liturgy of the Eucharist**

**Offertory**

Carol Yeargin, Organist

**Eucharistic Prayer I**

Enriching Our Worship

*The People remain standing.*

Celebrant      The Lord be with you.  
People         *And also with you.*  
Celebrant      Lift up your hearts.  
People         *We lift them to the Lord.*  
Celebrant      Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
People         *It is right to give God thanks and praise.*

*The Celebrant proceeds.*

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

*Celebrant and People*

**Sanctus**

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

Hymnal S129

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly— Lord, God of pow-er and might, hea-ven and earth are  
full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The Celebrant continues*

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love.

You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke

it, and gave it to his friends, 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, 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

### Memorial Acclamation

*Celebrant and People*  
Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will rise again.

*The Celebrant then continues.*

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

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.*

*The Celebrant then continues*

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

### Lord's Prayer

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*People and Celebrant*

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.*

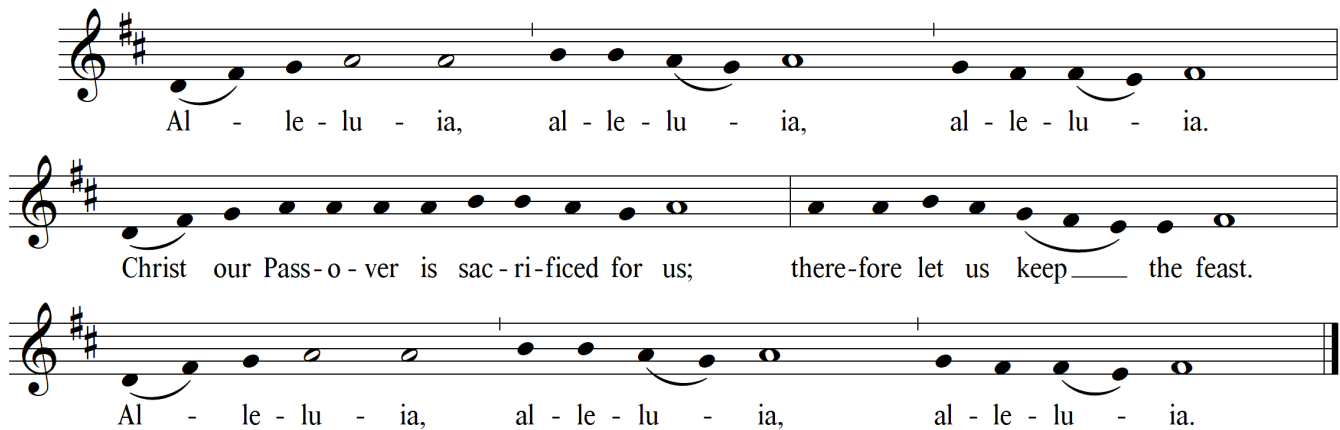
### Breaking of the Bread

*A period of silence is kept.*

### Fraction Anthem

Christ Our Passover

Hymnal S154



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### Holy Communion

*The Celebrant says*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*All are welcome to come forward for communion, including children. Please follow the ushers' guidance as you come to the rail.*

*If you would like to receive the wine by intinction (dipping the bread in the cup), keep the bread in your hands and wait for the communion server to come to you.*

*If you would like to receive from the common cup (drinking from the cup directly), please consume the bread first and then make your way to the steps at the end of the rail. A communion server will be there with the common cup.*

*If it is not your custom to receive communion, you are still welcome to come forward for a blessing. Simply cross your arms across your chest and the minister will offer a prayer.*

*A priest is also available to provide prayers for healing in the back southwest corner of the church. Simply head to the back during communion distribution and wait for your turn.*

*If you are at home or otherwise unable to take communion, you may say the following prayer.*

### Spiritual Communion Prayer

*In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I*

*remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.*

**The Communion Music**

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light  
Strengthen for Service Lord

Hymn 490  
Hymn 312

**Final Prayer**

*Celebrant and People*

*Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food as we hear your Word proclaimed and gather at your holy Table. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.*

**Blessing**

**Recessional**

Thy Strong Word Did Cleave the Darkness

Hymn 381

**Dismissal**

Deacon

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People

*Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.*

**Postlude**

Carol Yeargin, Organist

The Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the 30th wedding anniversary of Martha and Frank Cordell.

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## JUNE 2, 2024

**New to St. Paul's? Welcome!** Please let us know you are here by filling out a visitor card in the pew. Stop by our Welcome Station in the narthex (lobby) to chat with Greeters and find materials that might help if you are new to St. Paul's or the Episcopal Church. Join a tour of our campus on the third Sunday of the month at 10:15 a.m. to learn more and meet others. Contact Mary Kintz, our Community Connector, at [mary.kintz@stpaulscary.org](mailto:mary.kintz@stpaulscary.org) to learn more about joining us!

**Children's Chapel:** Children ages 3 years old through 5th grade are invited to process to Children's Chapel during the 9 a.m. service and return to their families during announcements.

**Coffee & Chaos (Parish Hall Lobby):** The Children's Ministry Committee invites you to join us after the 9 a.m. service for Coffee & Chaos! We have coffee for adults and snacks for children in the Parish Hall lobby. The playground is open and the lobby has seats and restrooms inside. This is not just for families: all are welcome to enjoy the fun!

**Formation:** Formation experiences for all have shifted to summer programming. Watch the announcements for details on offerings for adults, youth and children, from book groups to Bible studies to Vacation Bible Camp!

### PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Rise Against Hunger Meal Packing Event:** You (and your family, friends, neighbors) are invited to join a meal packaging experience with Rise Against Hunger at St. Paul's today from 10 a.m. - noon in the Parish Hall. Meals are distributed through global partners that support school feeding programs, orphanages, health clinics, vocational training and crisis response. Volunteers ages 4 years and up can commit their time and money to both packaging and paying for these meals. Information about registering and donating can be found on our website. Contact Ramsey McIntire at [dingerbv@gmail.com](mailto:dingerbv@gmail.com) with questions.

**Youth Picnic:** All St. Paul's Youth, friends, family and Sunday school teachers are invited to our Youth Picnic today, June 2, from 5 p.m. to sundown at Buehler Shelter in Bond Park. The picnic will be potluck-style: we will provide the main course of burgers and hot dogs, and you all bring fantastic sides and desserts! See what others are bringing on the signup, available on the website. Questions? Contact Ben Bricio at [youth@stpaulscary.org](mailto:youth@stpaulscary.org).

**Wear Orange June 7-9:** June is National Gun Violence Awareness Month, and traditionally, all who wish to see gun violence reduced are encouraged to wear orange during the month. This year's National Gun Violence Awareness Day is June 7, and the Episcopal Diocese of North Carolina encourages everyone to wear orange next weekend, June 7-9. St. Paul's is providing orange pins to anyone who wishes to participate. Pick up your pin in the narthex today! Find a link to learn more about wearing orange and diocesan efforts to reduce gun violence on our website.

**Adult Formation Summer Reading Group:** Join us for a virtual book group on Zoom on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m., June 5- August 28, as we stroll through the Gospels with "Into the Mess & Other Jesus Stories" by Debie Thomas. Each chapter is self-contained; if vacation interferes with a few sessions, you can easily jump in when you return. Try a few sessions with us. Email Gerri Batchelor at [gerrikairos@gmail.com](mailto:gerrikairos@gmail.com) to register.

**High School Summer Bible Study: The Gospel of Luke:** Join Mother Alice on Wednesdays, 6:30-8 p.m. at Chipotle in Cary (3402 Kildaire Farm Road), June 5-July 31. Together we will read the Gospel of Luke looking at how Jesus' love transforms societal perceptions of loving one's neighbor in the 1st century and today. Bring your questions, a journal, a pen and an open mind! Contact Mother Alice at [alice@stpaulscary.org](mailto:alice@stpaulscary.org) to learn more and sign up.

**ONE Wake Petition for Affordable Housing:** Religious leaders across Wake County are working through ONE Wake to develop a strategy to address the crisis of gentrification and displacement impacting tens of thousands of Wake County residents. ONE Wake is asking anyone who shares their vision of change to sign a petition in support of this effort. St. Paul's has pledged to obtain 750 signatures; will you help us? Learn more about the specifics of the ONE Wake vision and the petition in the narthex; use the link to add your name and ask your friends to do the same. Questions? Contact Mary Kintz and Christina Myers at [onewake@stpaulscary.org](mailto:onewake@stpaulscary.org).

**Prayer List:** Dave, Bob, Peggy, Ann, Vickie, Ann, Laura, Margaret, Mary, Virginia, Des, Mary, Christine, Kathy, Russell, Doug, Guy, Katie, Michael, Cathy, Alan, Jessica, Nancy, Sherry, John, Mary, Alison, Lynette, Susan, Randall, Clarence, Susan, Mary Marsha, Steve, Mila, Florence, Sue, Ron, Liz, Brent, Kim, Martha, Pam, Patty, Ed, Nancy, Ralph, Claudia, Bill, Melissa, Sue, Noah, Stephen, Sally, Chase.

If you have a name you would like to include on the prayer list, or a ministry event that you would like to announce in this printed bulletin, please send information to [announcements@stpaulscary.org](mailto:announcements@stpaulscary.org). Please note that there is a 2-week lead time on printed announcements.



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