

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

The Rev. Javier E. Almendárez-Bautista, Celebrant Madeleine Preston, Homilist 9:00 A.M. SERVICE JUNE 23, 2024

Prelude Processional Carol Yeargin, Organist Hymn 429

I'll Praise My Maker While I've Breath

Liturgy of the Word

Opening Acclamation

The Celebrant says

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People

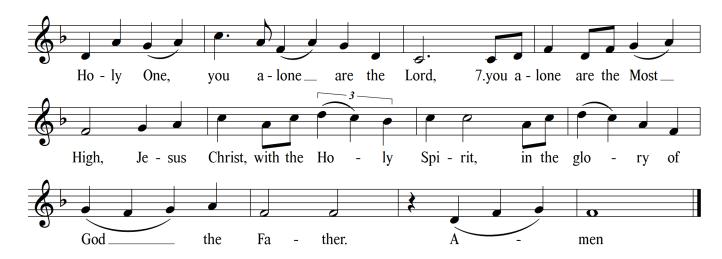
Glory to God for ever and ever.

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.





Collect of the Day

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

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; 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 3)
Children's Chapel is for children 3 years old through 5th grade.

Hymn 405

First Reading

1 Samuel 17: (1a, 4-11, 19-23), 32-49

A Reading from First Samuel.

The Philistines gathered their armies for battle. And there came out from the camp of the Philistines a champion named Goliath, of Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span. He had a helmet of bronze on his head, and he was armed with a coat of mail; the weight of the coat was five thousand shekels of bronze. He had greaves of bronze on his legs and a javelin of bronze slung between his shoulders. The shaft of his spear was like a weaver's beam, and his spear's head weighed six hundred shekels of iron; and his shield-bearer went before him. He stood and shouted to the ranks of Israel, "Why have you come out to draw up for battle? Am I not a Philistine, and are you not servants of Saul? Choose a man for yourselves, and let him come down to me. If he is able to fight with me and kill me, then we will be your servants; but if I prevail against him and kill him, then you shall be our servants and serve us." And the Philistine said, "Today I defy the ranks of Israel! Give me a man, that we may fight together." When Saul and all Israel heard these words of the Philistine, they were dismayed and greatly afraid.

Now Saul, and they, and all the men of Israel, were in the valley of Elah, fighting with the Philistines. David rose early in the morning, left the sheep with a keeper, took the provisions, and went as Jesse had commanded him. He came to the encampment as the army was going forth to the battle line, shouting the war cry. Israel and the Philistines drew up for battle, army against army. David left the things in charge of the keeper of the baggage, ran to the ranks, and went and greeted his brothers. As he talked with them, the champion, the Philistine of Gath, Goliath by name, came up out of the ranks of the Philistines, and spoke the same words as before. And David heard him.

David said to Saul, "Let no one's heart fail because of him; your servant will go and fight with this Philistine." Saul said to David, "You are not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him; for you are just a boy, and he has been a warrior from his youth." But David said to Saul, "Your servant used to keep sheep for his father; and whenever a lion or a bear came, and took a lamb from the flock, I went after it and struck it down, rescuing the lamb from its mouth; and if it turned against me, I would catch it by the jaw, strike it down, and kill it. Your servant has killed both lions and bears; and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be like one of them, since he has defied the armies of the living God." David said, "The LORD, who saved me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, will save me from the hand of this Philistine." So Saul said to David, "Go, and may the LORD be with you!" Saul clothed David with his armor; he put a bronze helmet on his head and clothed him with a coat of mail. David strapped Saul's sword over the armor, and he tried in vain to walk, for he was not used to them. Then David said to Saul, "I cannot walk with these; for I am not used to them." So David removed them. Then he took his staff in his hand, and chose five smooth stones from the wadi, and put them in his shepherd's bag, in the pouch; his sling was in his hand, and he drew near to the Philistine.

The Philistine came on and drew near to David, with his shield-bearer in front of him. When the Philistine looked and saw David, he disdained him, for he was only a youth, ruddy and handsome in appearance. The Philistine said to David, "Am I a dog, that you come to me with sticks?" And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. The Philistine said to David, "Come to me, and I will give your flesh to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the field." But David said to the

Philistine, "You come to me with sword and spear and javelin; but I come to you in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. This very day the Lord will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you down and cut off your head; and I will give the dead bodies of the Philistine army this very day to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the earth, so that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel, and that all this assembly may know that the LORD does not save by sword and spear; for the battle is the LORD's and he will give you into our hand."

When the Philistine drew nearer to meet David, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet the Philistine. David put his hand in his bag, took out a stone, slung it, and struck the Philistine on his forehead; the stone sank into his forehead, and he fell face down on the ground.

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

The Psalm 9:9-20

- 9 The LORD will be a refuge for the oppressed, * a refuge in time of trouble.
- 10 Those who know your Name will put their trust in you, * for you never forsake those who seek you, O LORD.
- 11 Sing praise to the LORD who dwells in Zion; * proclaim to the peoples the things he has done.
- 12 The Avenger of blood will remember them; * he will not forget the cry of the afflicted.
- Have pity on me, O LORD; *
 see the misery I suffer from those who hate me,
 O you who lift me up from the gate of death;
- 14 So that I may tell of all your praises and rejoice in your salvation * in the gates of the city of Zion.
- 15 The ungodly have fallen into the pit they dug, * and in the snare they set is their own foot caught.
- The LORD is known by his acts of justice; *
 the wicked are trapped in the works of their own hands.
- 17 The wicked shall be given over to the grave, * and also all the peoples that forget God.
- 18 For the needy shall not always be forgotten, * and the hope of the poor shall not perish for ever.
- 19 Rise up, O LORD, let not the ungodly have the upper hand; * let them be judged before you.
- 20 Put fear upon them, O LORD; * let the ungodly know they are but mortal.

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

A Reading from Second Corinthians.

As we work together with Christ, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says,

"At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you."

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see-- we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. In return-- I speak as to children-- open wide your hearts also.

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

Gradual Ye Servants of God (Verses 1&2)

Hymn 535 Mark 4:35-41 Gospel

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When evening had come, Jesus said to his disciples, "Let us go across to the other side." And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea. "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

> The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily Madeleine Preston

Nicene Creed

People

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 **BCP 360**

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 savs

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.

BCP 360 Peace

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

Offertory Response All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own have we given Thee.

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

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



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 come 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

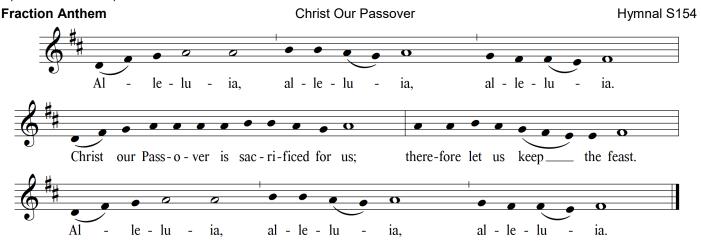
And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Lord's Prayer People and Celebrant **BCP 364**

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.



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

Eternal Father, Strong to Save Lead Us, Heavenly Father Lead Us

Hymn 608 Hymn 559

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 O Praise Ye the Lord Hymn 432

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 59th anniversary of Craig and Candy Snively.

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TODAY - JUNE 23, 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 a.m. to learn more and meet others. Contact Mary Kintz, our Community Connector, at 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.

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

Welcome Madeleine Preston! We are so happy to have Madeleine Preston, our summer intern from 2023, join us this Sunday as guest homilist. Madeleine is continuing her studies at Duke Divinity School.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

School Supplies Drive for Episcopal Farmworkers Ministry: Our Vacation Bible Campers will be making bags and preparing school supply donations for the Episcopal Farmworker Ministry during VBC in July. You can join in the project by donating items on the needs list, which can be found in the narthex or online. Donations can be left in the "helping hallway" between the narthex and the vesting room. Questions? Email vbc@stpaulscary.org.

Field Trips with the Racial Justice Planning Group: The Racial Justice Planning Group has two summertime field trips planned. The first is to Historic Stagville near Durham on Saturday, June 29. The second trip is to the International Civil Rights Center and Museum in Greensboro on Saturday, July 20. Following each tour, we will gather for a shared meal nearby to discuss our experiences. We would love to have you join us! More information is available on the website, or by contacting Aleta McClenney at aleta@att.net.

Appalachia Service Project (ASP) Journey: Our ASP crew of 21 youth and 11 adults departed for Dickenson County, VA this morning for a weeklong journey, serving families and building relationships in the process. Please keep all involved in your prayers for a week rich with meaning, fun and decent weather. You can follow their progress on the ASP Center's Facebook page (link is provided on our website).

81st General Convention of The Episcopal Church: The 81st General Convention of The Episcopal Church is taking place June 23-28, 2024 in Louisville, KY. The General Convention is the governing body of The Episcopal Church. Every three years it meets as a bicameral legislature that includes the House of Deputies and the House of Bishops, composed of deputies and bishops from each diocese. You are invited to learn more about what is being celebrated and discussed by following information provided by the Office of Public Affairs, the Diocese of North Carolina's communications department, and the Episcopal News Service. Links to all of these resources can be found on our website.

Dorcas Christmas in July Food Drive: Dorcas Ministries in Cary is again sponsoring a drive to stock their food pantry with much-needed items during the summer months. Each week, St. Paul's will have a big box to fill with items specified for that week, starting July 1-7 with pantry staples like canned meat, mixed vegetables, condiments and spices. Let's help keep the pantry shelves stocked! Questions? Contact the church office at 919-467-1477.

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, Clarence, Susan, Mary Marsha, Mila, Florence, Sue, Ron, Liz, Brent, Kim, Martha, Pam, Patty, Ed, Nancy, Ralph, Claudia, Bill, Melissa, Noah, Stephen, Sally, Chase, Anne, Heather, Ronnie, John, Janice, Scott.

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. Names included in the prayer list will remain for two weeks, and we are happy to extend at your request. Please email us or call the office to keep someone on the list; we are here to help. Please note that there is a 2-week lead time on printed announcements.



St. Paul's Website