St. Paul's
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

The Rev. Dr. James Weldon, Jr., Celebrant
The Rev. Angela Shelley, Homilist

HOLY EUCHARIST
9:00 A.M. SERVICE
NOVEMBER 15, 2026

Prelude Carol Yeargin, Organ

Please stand as you are able.

The Processional Hymn "Lord Christ, when thou first cam'st to earth" *The Hymnal 1982* #598
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The Word of God

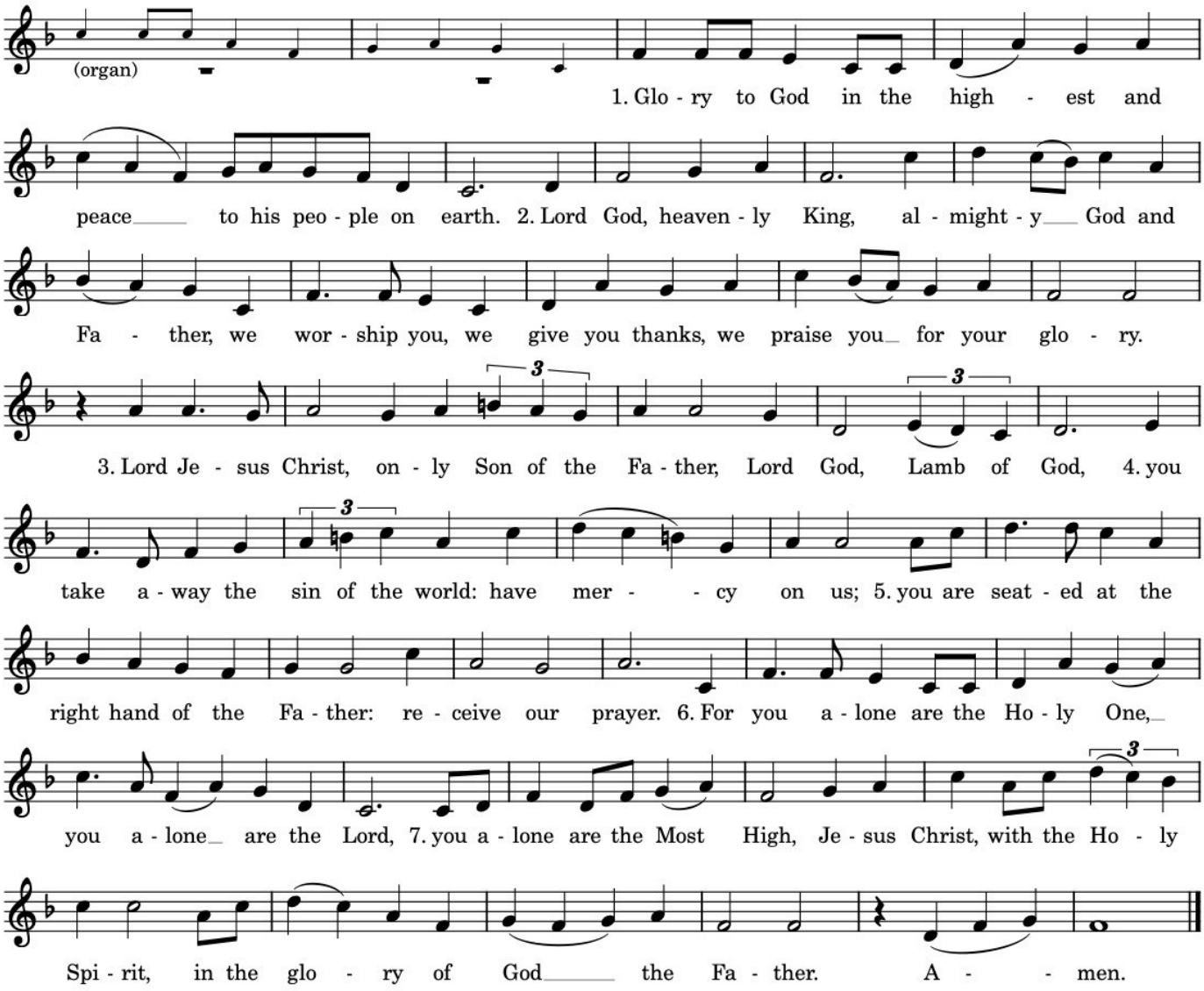
The Opening Acclamation *Book of Common Prayer (BCP)* 355

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People ***And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.***

The Celebrant says

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.***

The Gloria: *Glory to God* *The Hymnal 1982* #280



The Collect of the Day

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

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

Please be seated.

Children's Processional "I sing a song of the saints of God" (v.1) *The Hymnal 1982* #293
Children's Chapel is for children 3 years old through 5th grade. *Grand Isle*

The First Reading Judges 4:1-7

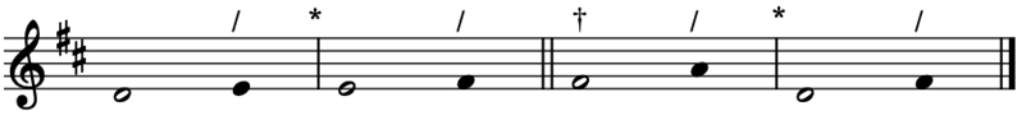
A Reading from Judges.

The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the LORD, after Ehud died. So the LORD sold them into the hand of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-ha-goiim. Then the Israelites cried out to the Lord for help; for he had nine hundred chariots of iron, and had oppressed the Israelites cruelly twenty years.

At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites came up to her for judgment. She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali, and said to him, "The Lord, the God of Israel, commands you, 'Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops; and I will give him into your hand.'"

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

Psalm 123, *Ad te levavi oculos meos* Jerome Webster Meachen (1930-2015)



1 To you I lift up my / eyes, *
to you enthroned in the / heavens.

2 As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their / masters, *
and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her / mistress,

† 3 So our eyes look to the / LORD our God, *
until he show us his / mercy.

4 Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have / mercy, *
for we have had more than enough of con / tempt,

5 Too much of the scorn of the indolent / rich, *
and of the derision of the / proud.

The Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

A Reading from the First Letter to the Thessalonians.

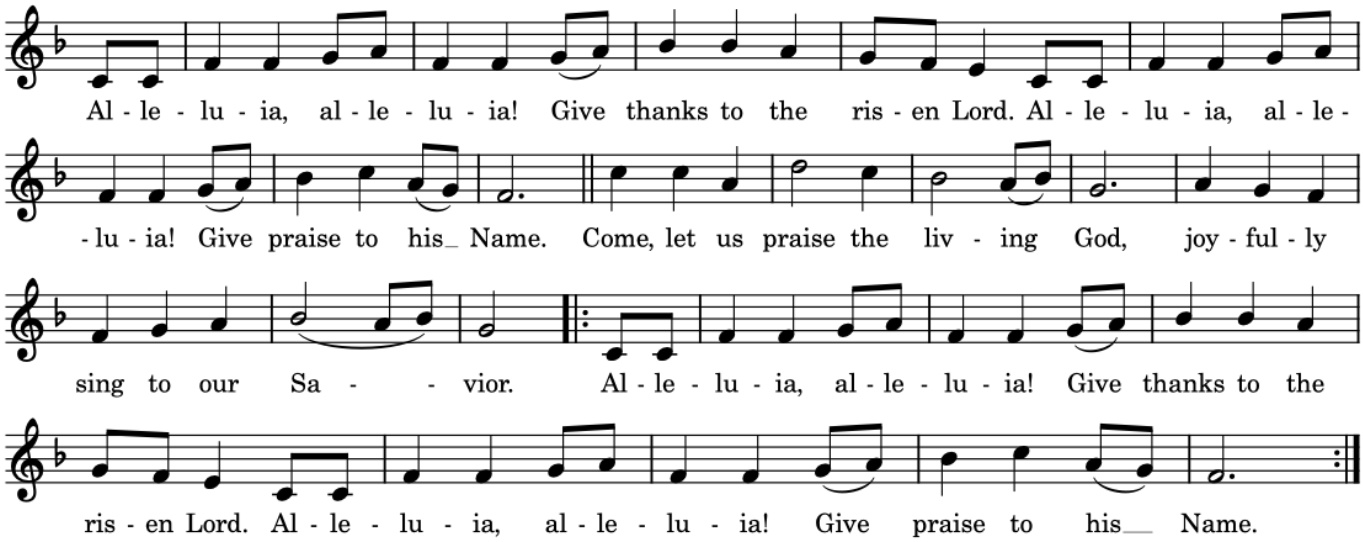
Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

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

Please stand as you are able.

The Gradual Hymn "Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord" (v. 4) *The Hymnal 1982* #293

Grand Isle



The Gospel Matthew 25:14-30

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

When Jesus said, "It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

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

People remain standing until the homilist invites all to be seated.

The Homily The Rev. Angela Shelley

A moment of silence follows the homily.

Please stand as you are able.

The Nicene Creed *BCP* 358

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.

The Prayers of the People Form IV (adapted) *BCP* 388

People's Response: ***Hear our prayer.***

Confession & Absolution of Sin *BCP* 360

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Please kneel or stand as you are able. The Celebrant and People say

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 Celebrant stands and says

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.***

The Peace *BCP* 360

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

Please be seated.

Welcome, Announcements, & Offertory Sentence

If you would like to donate online, follow the QR code found here or 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.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory: *And I Saw a New Heaven* *St. Paul's Choir* Malcolm Archer (b. 1952)

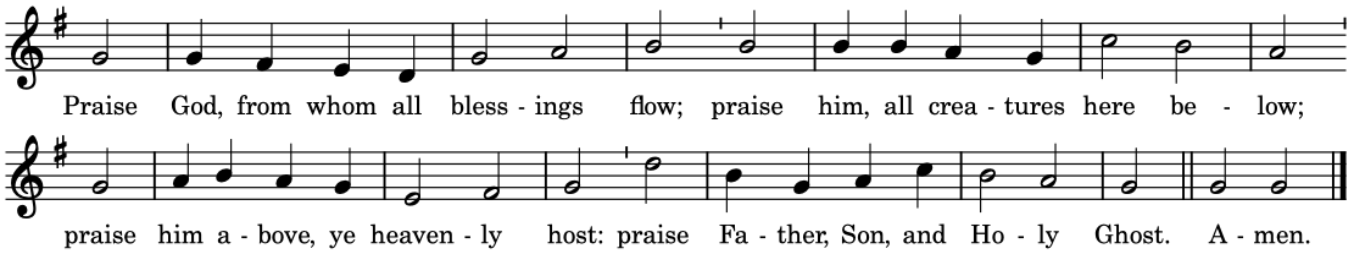
And I saw a new heaven and a new earth:
for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away;
and there was no more sea, for the first heaven
and the first earth were passed away.

And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem,
coming down from God out of heaven,
prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes;
and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying,
neither shall there be any more pain:
for the former things are passed away.

Please stand as you are able while the offering is presented.

The Offertory Response: *The Doxology* *Old 100th*



The Great Thanksgiving **Eucharistic Prayer A** *BCP* 361

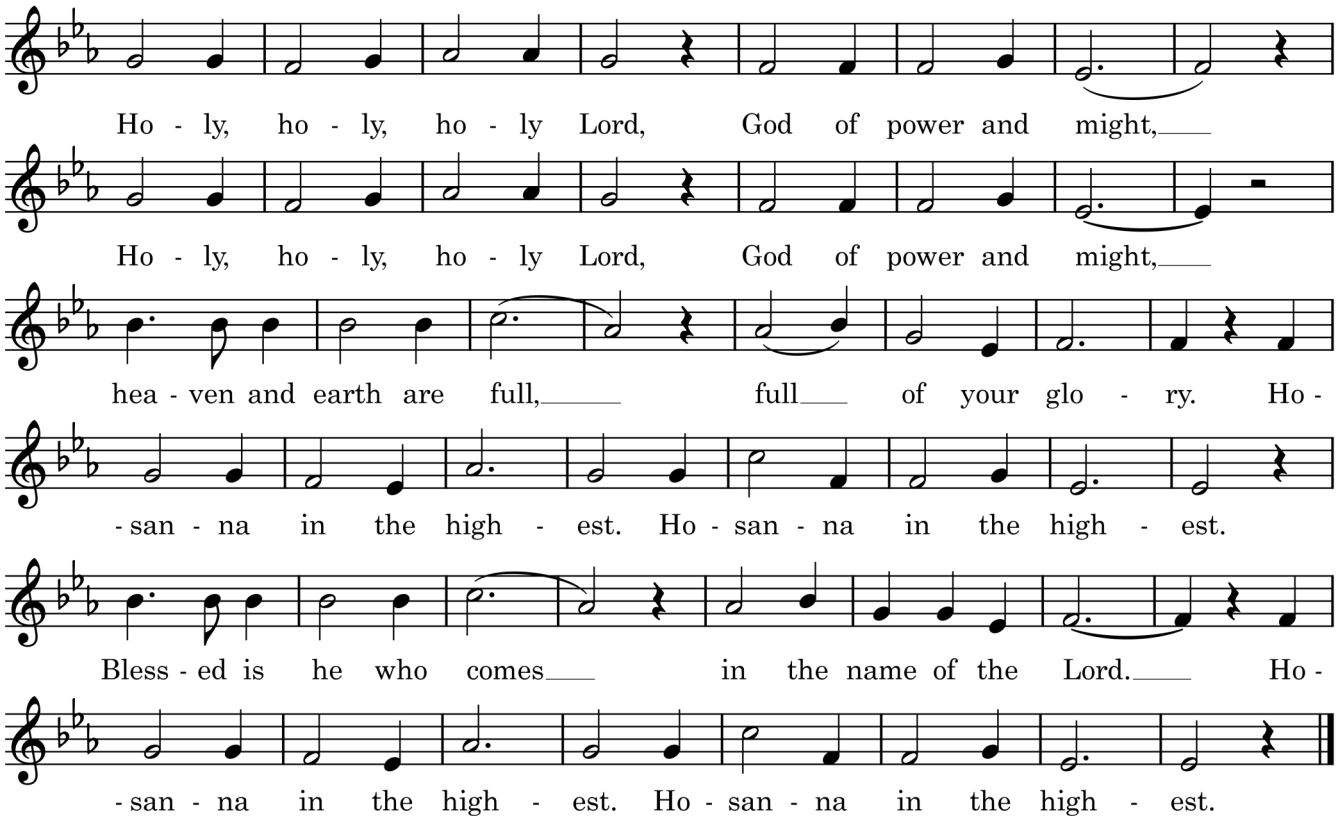
The People remain standing.The Celebrant faces them and says

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.***

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father 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:

Celebrant and People

The Sanctus: *Holy, Holy, Holy* *The Hymnal 1982* #S130



Please stand or kneel as you are able.
The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: 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:

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant then continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, 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 Father, now and for ever. ***AMEN.***

The Celebrant then continues

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

The Lord’s Prayer *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.

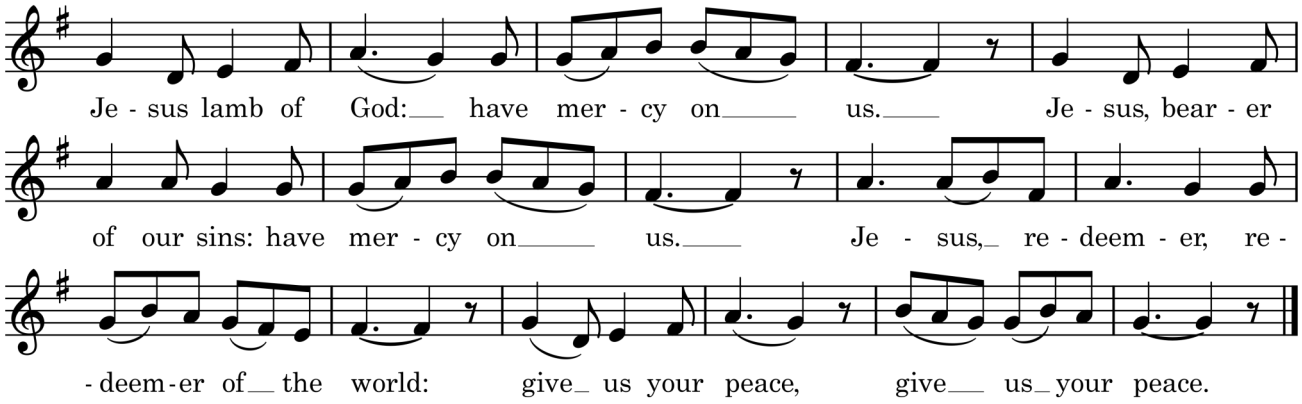
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People ***Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***

Fraction Anthem: *Jesus, Lamb of God* *The Hymnal 1982* #S164



The Presentation & Invitation

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 a gluten-free host, extend your hands palms down. 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 with a pottery chalice. If you would like to drink from the chalice directly, please consume the bread first and a communion server will offer you the silver chalice (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 a priest will offer a blessing or a deacon will offer a prayer. A person may be 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.

Music During Communion: "Not here for high and holy things" *The Hymnal 1982* #9 *Morning Song*

"Strengthen for service, Lord" *The Hymnal 1982* #312 *Malabar*

"Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless round" *The Hymnal 1982* #617 *Song I*

Please stand or kneel as you are able.

The Post-Communion Prayer *Enriching our Worship (EOW)* 69

Celebrant and People

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.

The Blessing

Please stand as you are able.

The Retiring Processional "Come, labor on" *The Hymnal 1982* #541 *Ora Labora*

The Dismissal *BCP* 366

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People ***Thanks be to God.***

Postlude Carol Yeargin, Organ

The Altar Flowers are offered to the glory of God and in memory of DiAnne Smith Monroe by Kip Monroe.

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VETERANS DAY - IN GRATITUDE TO ALL OUR MILITARY FOR THEIR FAITHFUL SERVICE

Pre-EYC will share a special gift to veterans after each service on Nov. 15.

Robert T. Adams, United States Air Force
Carolyn Anderson, United States Air Force
Emery Anderson, United States Air Force
Anne Babb, United States Navy
Terry Babb, United States Navy
Marshall Bates, United States Navy; Navy Reserve
Daniel Bertollozzi, United States Army
Virginia (Gini) Todd Brink, United States Army Reserve
Dana Bunke, United States Air Force
Laura Carathanasis, NC Army National Guard
Ethan Clark, United States Air Force
Jon F. Copperwheat, United States Navy
Kevin S. Crigger, United States Marine Corps
Rachel M. Crigger, United States Marine Corps
Kevin Crow, United States Navy
Philip Cunningham, United States Army
Larry Cupitt, United States Army
John J Donnee, United Staves Navy
Steve Dinwiddie, United States Navy
Nate Drees, PA Army National Guard
Steve East, United States Navy
Terry Foskett, British Merchant Navy
Bob Frey, United States Navy
Tom Giddings, United States Navy
Steve Glass, United States Navy
Ralph S. Greco, United States Air Force
Leopold Griffith, United States Army
Andrew Healey, United States Navy
Owen "Connor" Hibberd, Jr., United States Air Force
Kenneth Holmes, United States Coast Guard
Nathan J. Huffman, United States Navy
Jeff Jensen, United States Army
Steve Jensen, United States Army; United States Coast Guard
Bob Johnson, United States Air Force
Geri Johnson, United States Air Force
The Very Rev. Dr. Russell Johnson, United States Marine Corps
Cindy Kager, United States Navy Nurse Corps Reserve
James (Jim) Lamb, United States Air Force
Andrew Ligay, United States Army, NC Army National Guard
Wayne Lord, United States Navy
Howard Loughlin, United States Navy
John Lytvinenko, Army National Guard
Neil McClenney, United States Navy
Rich McCreery, United States Navy
Doug Mistler, United States Army
Evan Moller, United States Army
Kip Monroe, United States Army; GA Army National Guard
Percy Montague, IV, United States Marines
Joe Naughton, United States Army
Mike O'Dowd, United States Army
Bill Prenger, United States Army
Al Prillaman, United States Army
Richard Reilly, United States Air Force
Mary F Rodriguez, United States Army Reserve
Mike Roithmayr, United States Air Force
John Rose, United States Air Force
Joe Ryan, United States Coast Guard
Willard Bruce Seehorn, Jr., United States Marine Corps; NC Army National Guard
Bill Shenton, United States Army
Buren R. Shields, III, United States Army
Scott R. Shuman, United States Navy
Daniel Smith, United States Army
Gary F. Smith, United States Navy
Paul Smith, United States Navy and Marine Corps
Penny Tennian, NY Army National Guard
Allan Thunes, United States Navy
Katie Watson, United States Air Force
Kevin Watson, United States Air Force
Gordon Werner, United States Navy
Bryan Wigley, United States Air Force

In Memoriam

Hunter Adams, United States Army
Albert Applegate, United States Army
Sam Beatty, United States Army Air Corps
Rumsey Beery, United States Army
Jesse Black, United States Air Force
Richard Dennis Borders, United States Marines
Herbert L. Crosby, United States Air Force
Ernest Davenport, United States Army
Pablo L. Fernando, United States Navy
William Fierke, United States Coast Guard
Albert Charles Foskett, British Army
Joseph Furno, United States Navy
Craig George, United States Navy
Verlyn Gerry Giddings, United States Army
Robert E. Haas, Jr., United States Navy
Roy Hanning, United States Air Force
Brooks Harris, United States Marine Corps
Ralph Hawkins, United States Navy
Roger Herrman, United States Navy Reserve
Henry E. Hirschy, Jr., United States Navy
William (Bill) E. Hoff, United States Navy
Charles T. Hubbard, United States Navy Reserve
Charles W. Hubbard, III, United States Navy Reserve
Edward B. Hubbard, United States Navy Reserve
George Jensen, United States Army
Don Johnston, United States Army
Tom Lawlor, United States Navy
Robert Lyerly, United States Army
Wallace McLeod, United States Army
Percy Montague, III, United States Army Air Corps
Lloyd Novick, United States Coast Guard
Gordon Reynolds, United States Navy
Charlie Robertson, United States Army
Norman T. Robinson, United States Air Force
Hal Shook, United States Air Force
R. Richard Shuman, United States Air Force
Terry Shuman, United States Army
Randy Sterns, United States Marines
Don Stumbaugh, United States Navy
Sherwood L. Swann, United States Marine Corps
John Oliver Truitt, United States Air Force; United States Air Force Reserve

SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I 10:15 a.m. Sunday School
9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II 10:20 a.m. Adult Formation
10:05 a.m. Coffee Hour 11:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

New to St. Paul's? Welcome! Please let us know you are here by filling out a visitor card in the pew or online. Stop by our Connecting Station in the narthex (lobby) to chat and find materials that might help if you are new to St. Paul's or The Episcopal Church. Join a tour of our campus today after the 9 a.m. service to learn more and meet others. Contact Mary Kintz, our Community Connector, at mary.kintz@stpaulscary.org to find out more about us!

Kids in Worship at St. Paul's: Children are always welcome in our worship services without exception, but if parents should wish for a space where your kids have more room to move around during the service, you are welcome to make use of the Comfort Room (glassed-in room at the rear of the worship space from which you can still hear and see the service). Ask an usher if you need help finding it. Also, our Kids' Club (free nursery care) is available during the 9 a.m. service, and infants/toddlers through 36 months (3 years old) are welcome to attend.

Accessibility: St. Paul's strives to make our services and programs comfortable and accessible to all. Ushers and Greeters are available to help. Please let us know how we can work together to improve your experience here.

Name Badges: One of the best ways to show hospitality in a community this size is to wear nametags. Please help us bridge the "unknowing" by wearing yours! If you don't yet have a nametag, please complete an order form in the narthex (lobby) so we can get you one. Contact Joyce Loughlin at loughlin1@mindspring.com with questions.

HAPPENING TODAY – NOVEMBER 15, 2026

Welcome our New Associate Rector, the Rev. Angela Shelley: We are so happy to welcome the Rev. Angela Shelley to our community! Gather with us in the Chapel after the 9 a.m. service to welcome her to St. Paul's.

Welcome Sarah Jean Barton, ThD, Presenting Today's Adult Forum: Occupational Therapist and Duke Divinity School professor Dr. Sarah Jean Barton will present "Disability and All of Us: The Baptismal Shape of Christian Identity" in the Chapel at 10:20 a.m.

Stewardship Sunday: Today marks the culmination of Gathering in Grace. If you have not already, please make your pledge today to support St. Paul's in 2027. Stewardship members will be in the narthex following each service to assist you. We gather today in grace, celebrating the generosity that sustains the worship, formation, pastoral care, outreach, fellowship, work for justice, and daily ministry of St. Paul's.

Honoring Veterans: In addition to our custom of expressing gratitude by listing the names of veterans in a special bulletin insert, our Pre-EYC group has a special gift to distribute to veterans in the narthex after each service this morning. Thank you to all who serve and support our military families.

Children's Chapel: Children 3 years old through 5th grade are invited to process to Children's Chapel during the 9 a.m. service, returning to their families for announcements.

Children's Sunday School - 5th grade and under: Classes are meeting from 10:15-11 a.m. in the Education Building.

Youth Sunday School - 6th thru 12th grade: Classes are meeting from 10:15-11 a.m. in the Youth Wing.

Newcomer Tour: If you are new or newly returned to St. Paul's, please join a tour of our campus after the 9 a.m. service. No sign up is necessary; meet at the welcome area in the narthex (lobby).

Cursillo Community Gathering: Join fellow St. Paul's Cursillistas from 12:30 to 2 p.m. in the Youth Wing for food, fellowship, and small-group reunions designed to get to know one another better.

Episcopal Youth Community (EYC) 6th thru 12th grade: Join us from 5-7 p.m. in the Youth Wing for food, fun and conversation. Invite your friends!

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Annual Meeting and Vestry Elections: Plan to join us in the Chapel at 10:15 a.m. Nov. 22 for St. Paul's Annual Meeting and vestry election. Hear from Fr. Jay and the wardens about next steps in moving forward with all clergy positions full! Information about vestry candidates is posted on the website and available in the narthex.

Visit the St. Nicholas Giving Tree: The St. Nicholas Tree is in the narthex, ready for you to select tags and do your shopping! The tree is full of tags - invite the elves in *your* life to join us in providing Christmas magic to families in need. Find information on the St. Nicholas website to guide your shopping; use the QR Code on the tag to find your way. Remember, all gifts should be brought to the church on or before Dec. 6, when St. Nicholas makes his annual visit at both the 9 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. services. Monetary donations (supporting ministry costs and need-based supplemental gifts) are welcome; please indicate "St Nick" in the memo. Contact Colette Hibberd at hibberdfamily@yahoo.com for assistance.

Bishop Search Listening Sessions have Begun: The Episcopal Diocese of North Carolina has begun the process of searching for our next leader as Bishop Sam Rodman is set to retire in early 2028. The diocese will host 22 different Holy Conversations, or opportunities for people to offer feedback to the search committee about their experience and hopes for the diocese. Some will be online, some in person and some for specific groups of folks. Please take a look at the options on the diocesan website and sign up to attend; your experience and your hopes for the diocese matter.

Thanksgiving Food Drive for NeighborUp: The transitional kindergarten class of St. Paul's Preschool is helping NeighborUp collect food for their annual Thanksgiving Dinner Basket drive through today, Nov. 15. Support their efforts by dropping off goods in the narthex in the labeled container. Needed items are listed on flyers in the narthex as well.

Spiritual Retreat for Seniors (65+): Join us on Saturday, Nov. 21, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the youth wing, for "Living Your Best Life: Exploring Life, Loss and Legacy," a retreat for seniors. Limited to 30 participants, the retreat will be led by parishioner Fr. Frank Hubbard, assisted by Nancy Fierke, Howard Loughlin, Joyce Loughlin, and Glenda Swann. The day includes a catered Mediterranean lunch (free will cash offerings accepted). To learn more and register, contact Fr. Frank Hubbard at therevfah50@hotmail.com. Transportation can be provided upon request.

Coffee Connections for Young Adults (25-40ish) on Nov. 21: Get to know other young adults and hang out with Community Connector Mary Kintz at Chanticleer Coffee in Cary on Saturday, Nov. 21 at 10 a.m. Open to anyone interested in making/renewing connections, including those who may have done service projects or attended St. Paul's long ago.

Rainbow Gathering Friendsgiving Nov. 22: Join the Rainbow Gathering on Sunday Nov. 22 at 12:30 p.m. in the Annex as we gather in gratitude, fellowship, and love for our Friendsgiving celebration! Share delicious food, joyful moments, and thankful hearts as we celebrate the blessing of community. Please RSVP to Andrea at jang7e@gmail.com by Nov. 19 for planning purposes. We look forward to celebrating with you!

Celebration of New Ministry Nov. 30: Bishop Sam Rodman will be at St. Paul's for a Celebration of New Ministry- to celebrate our new clergy team and instituting Fr. Jay as our rector— Monday, Nov. 30 at 7 p.m. Join this celebration as we prayerfully commit to the shared ministry of clergy and lay people throughout our diocese, sustaining each other with our gifts and talents. More information is coming soon.

Advent Quiet Day: On Saturday, Dec. 5, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., the Rev. Robert Fruehwirth returns to lead an Advent Quiet Day, "Prepare the Way: Essential Spiritual Practices for Welcoming God Everyday." Jesus was born over 2000 years ago, but the life of Christ is born anew in us, every day, as we open our lives to welcome God. Retreatants will be guided through the core elements of Christian spiritual practice — silent waiting on God, meditation on scripture, growing self-knowledge, discernment of God's call, and recollected action. Learn more about this day in the narthex and register online.

Advent Lessons and Carols: Plan to join us on Sunday, Dec. 6 at 4 p.m. as the St. Paul's Choir and the Bells of St. Paul's present the service of Advent Lessons and Carols, led by Director of Music Ministries Rusty McKinney, accompanied by Organist Carol Yeargin. Come join us for an afternoon of beautiful music and scripture readings in the Anglican Tradition. A reception follows in the narthex (lobby).

We pray for Sally, Janet, Carl, Martha, Henry, Althea, Louane, Carter, Anne, Jon, Patrick, Barbara, Ann, Rob, Betty, Jim, Zemiria, Henry, Carol, Evelyn, Stephanie, Liam, Bob, Carol, Frank, Sylvia, Mike, Juan, William, Gopalakrishnan, Archie, Dave, Laurinda, Laura Ann, Leslie, Bill, and Edna. **In the prayers for the deceased**, we pray for Sue Dianne Kenney.

To add a name to the prayer list, or to promote a ministry event in this printed bulletin, please send information to announcements@stpaulscary.org. Names included in the prayer list will remain for a month. Please contact Natalie Sroka or a member of the clergy if the need for prayer is ongoing. Note that there is a 2-week lead time on printed announcements.

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