



# ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

"An Inclusive and Progressive Community of Faith"

*The Holy Eucharist*

8:00 & 10:15 a.m.

19 August 2018

## Proper 15

*Welcome to St. Paul's Episcopal Church. We're glad you're here!  
We pray that you will encounter the living God during worship today.  
To help with that, hearing assistance devices are available from the ushers.  
Please turn off audible cell phones and pagers.  
If your child is restless you may find solace in the Nursery,  
or in the Narthex, where you can still hear and see the service.*

### Announcements & Welcome

**Prelude:** "Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord"

setting by John Behnke



~ please stand as you are able ~



**Hymn:** Hymnal (1982) #657: "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

As a community that seeks Christ and celebrates the mystery of God's love for all, let us begin our worship.

Blessed be God: Father, Son & Holy Spirit.

**And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

**8:00: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.**

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

**10:15: Trinity Mass Hymn: "Gloria"**

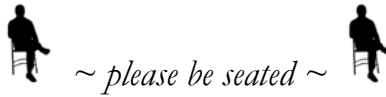
(found in the Trinity Liturgy booklet)

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray together.

**Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.***



### **Proverbs 9:1-6**

Wisdom has built her house,  
she has hewn her seven pillars.  
She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine,  
she has also set her table.  
She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls  
from the highest places in the town,  
“You that are simple, turn in here!”  
To those without sense she says,  
“Come, eat of my bread  
and drink of the wine I have mixed.  
Lay aside immaturity, and live,  
and walk in the way of insight.”

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 34:9-14**

9. Fear the Lord, you that are God’s holy people:  
for those who fear the Lord are in want of nothing
10. Strong lions suffer want and go hungry:  
but those who seek the Lord  
shall lack nothing that is good.
11. Come my children and listen to me:  
I will teach you the fear of the Lord.
12. Which of you delights in life:  
and desires many days of prosperity?
13. Keep your tongue from evil:  
and your lips from speaking lies.
14. Turn away from evil and do good:  
seek peace and steadily pursue it.

### **Ephesians 5:15-20**

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do

not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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**Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn: Hymnal (1982) #660: "O Master Let Me Walk with Thee"**



*~ please stand as you are able ~*



The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 6:51-58

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**



*~ please be seated ~*



**Sermon:** The Rev. Kathleen Kingslight

**A Celtic Creed**

**We believe in God above us, maker and sustainer of all life,  
of sun and moon, of water and earth, of male and female.**

**We believe in God beside us, Jesus Christ, the word made flesh,  
born of a woman, servant of the poor, tortured and nailed to a tree.**

**A man of sorrows, he died forsaken.**

**He descended into the earth to the place of death.**

**On the third day he rose from the tomb.**

**He ascended into heaven, to be everywhere present,  
and His kingdom will come on earth.**

**We believe in God within us, the Holy Spirit of Pentecostal fire,  
life-giving breath of the Church, Spirit of healing and forgiveness,  
source of resurrection and of eternal life.**

Amen

### The Prayers of the People

- **O God, help us to be progressive Christians in an open, inclusive and affirming community.**
- **O Jesus, guide us in providing a safe harbor for everyone on their spiritual journey.**
- **Holy Spirit be with us in our endeavors to bring God's presence into our world in need.**

Because we need to be nourished by your word and sacrament, we pray for our church that we might both be willing to eat of your food and drink of your wine and in turn be food and drink for one another. In faith we pray to you, O God. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for bishops, all clergy, deacons, and all who minister in the church, especially Michael our Presiding Bishop, Greg our Bishop, Kathleen our rector, Hillary our aspirant, for Deacon David, and for all who nurture our life together, that the body may be strengthened and our common life enriched. In faith we pray to you, O God. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Because we live in evil days and often act like fools, we pray that our world may not continue in ignorance but discern what is truly good and just. In faith we pray to you, O God. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Because we are prone to be competitive and unconcerned about one another, we pray for all political leaders, especially our President, that we might find in them examples of generous service and self-forgetfulness. In faith we pray to you, O God. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Because there are so many poor and hungry people in our world, we pray that we may be generous in giving, compassionate in serving, and sensitive in understanding the needs of others. In faith we pray to you, O God. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For the homeless, for the dreamers, for the resisters and for the refugees and their children, and those losing their homes in fires and volcanoes and for the safety of the first responders who rescue them, In faith we pray to you, O God. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Because our world is pervaded by a spirit of skepticism and mistrust, we pray for unbelievers that they may find us to be confident people who know that God does indeed have a plan for our world. In faith we pray to you, O God. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Because we have often been nourished and supported by many relatives and friends who have preceded us in death, we pray that they may live in peace and be mindful of who still struggle to live the Christian life. In faith we pray to you, O God. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for the sick, especially for Eliane Aponte and Linda Manlove, are there others. In faith we pray to you, O God. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for parishioners Marilyn Pantano, Wes Peters, Adam, Hannah & Ivy Plueger, Leigh Price, and Annie, Esther, Felix & Samuel Prince. We pray for our Bishop Greg Rickel and the bishop's staff, All Commissions, Committees & Programs, retired clergy, clergy widows/widowers, and clergy households; also for The Church of South India. In faith we pray to you, O God. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

All loving God, the source of all good gifts, we praise and thank you for your provident care. Hear the prayers we have made in faith. As a gracious mother, feed us with the bread of life so we might abide with you forever. We make this prayer as always through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

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

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**



~ please be seated to listen to the musical offering and use it as a time of prayer ~



**Offertory:** *Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings of bread and wine, and money, to the celebrant. Please stand, if you are able, while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.*

**Offering:** "Beach Spring",

setting by John Carter

**The Great Thanksgiving:** *Eucharistic Prayers A*

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

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:

8:00: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

**10:15: Trinity Mass Hymn: “Holy, Holy, Holy” (found in the Trinity Liturgy booklet)**

*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 thank, 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

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

*The Celebrant 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, forever and ever. **Amen.**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

**8:00: O Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.  
O Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.  
O Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, grant us your peace.**

**10:15: Trinity Mass Hymn: “Lamb of God: (found in the Trinity Liturgy booklet)**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

### **The Invitation**

*This is the table, not of the church, but of Jesus Christ. It is made ready for those who love him and who want to love him more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little; you who have been here often and you who have not been here for a long time or never before; you who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, not because the Church invites you, but because it is Christ who invites you to meet Him here.*

### **Communion Hymn; Gather Hymnal #797: “You Walk Along Our Shoreline”**

Let us pray together:

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **Blessing**

**Hymn: Hymnal (1982) #635: “If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee”**

### **The Great Beginning**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

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

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**Postlude:** "March from Scipio"

setting by Handel

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**This Morning's Ministry Team:**

*Celebrant: The Rev. Kathleen Kingslight*

**8:00 am**

1st Reading: Suzie Hubert  
2nd Reading: Barbara Miller  
Prayers of the People: Suzie Hubert  
Eucharistic Minister: Alice Gray

*Music Director: Betsy Dunlap*

**10:15 am**

1st Reading: Sue Ahrens  
2nd Reading: Joanna Baas  
Prayers of the People: Lorene Leider  
Eucharistic Minister 1: Allan Johnson  
Eucharistic Minister 2: Duane de Lessart  
Crucifer/Server: Scott de Lessart

Hospitality Angels: Karen Hobson  
Carl & J Baker

Altar Guild: Jeanne Wolf  
Myra Battin  
Lorene Leider

Counters: Jan Hobson  
Jovani Ruiz

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