



# ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

"AN INCLUSIVE AND PROGRESSIVE COMMUNITY OF FAITH"

*The Holy Eucharist*

21 August 2022

## Proper 16

### Announcements & Welcome

*Please put your cellphone in airplane mode so as not to disrupt the livestreaming of the service.*

*We begin by gratefully acknowledging the Native Peoples upon whose ancestral homeland we gather today. St. Paul's was built on the unceded ancestral land of the Suquamish Nation. The Suquamish are known as the "People of the Clear Salt Water," and have lived in harmony with the lands and waterways along the Salish Sea for thousands of years. We offer our respect to Elders past, present, and future.*

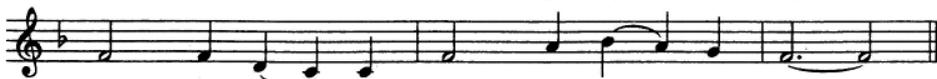
### Opening Hymn: Gather Hymnal #919: "I Come with Joy"



1. I come with joy, a child of God, For -  
2. I come with Chris - tians far and near To  
3. As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, Each  
4. The Spir - it of the ris - en Christ, Un -  
5. To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound By



giv - en, loved, and free, The life of Je - sus  
find, as all are fed, The new com - mu - ni -  
proud di - vi - sion ends. The love that made us,  
seen, but ev - er near, Is in such friend - ship  
all that God has done, We'll go with joy, to



to re - call, In love laid down for me.  
ty of love In Christ's com - mu - nion bread.  
makes us one, And strang - ers now are friends.  
bet - ter known, A - live a - mong us here.  
give the world The love that makes us one.

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

Gloria (See blue booklet "Mass of God's Peace and Love" by John Kingslight)

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray together.

O merciful God, grant that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for-

**ever and ever. Amen.**

### **Jeremiah 1:4-10**

The word of the Lord came to me saying, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you," says the Lord.

Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 71:1-6**

- 1 In you O Lord I have taken refuge:  
let me never be put to shame.**
- 2 In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me:  
incline your ear to me and save me.**
- 3 Be to me a rock of refuge, a fortress where I may find safety:  
for you are my rock and my stronghold.**
- 4 Rescue me O my God, from the hand of the wicked:  
from the grasp of the unrighteous and cruel.**
- 5 For you O Lord are my hope:  
my trust has been in you from the time of my youth.**
- 6 On you have I leaned since I was born:  
it is you that brought me out of my mother's womb, you are the theme of my  
constant praise.**

### **Hebrews 12:18-29**

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the re-

moval of what is shaken – that is, created things – so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

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**Gospel Alleluia (See blue booklet "Mass of God's Peace and Love" by John Kingslight)**

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to **Luke 13:10-17** ❖ ❖ ❖

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Now Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**Sermon:** The Rev. Kathleen Kingslight

**Affirmation of Faith**

**We believe in God, the creator of all life and beauty,  
who blesses our journey.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ,  
who lived as a friend and savior to all he met as he traveled,  
and who ate and laughed, wept and celebrated with them in love.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
who rides on the gentle breeze,  
who strengthens our bindings,  
and who offers hope eternal.**

**We believe in the church,  
which stands open to all travelers,  
and bears witness to the everlasting love of God. Amen.**

**The Prayers of the People (from *Intercessions for the Christian People*)**

*Celebrant* Let us pray our Vision Statement together:

**O God, help us to be progressive Christians in an open, inclusive, and affirming community of faith. O Jesus, guide us in providing a safe harbor for those on their spiritual**

journey. O Holy Spirit, be with us in our endeavors to reflect God's peace and loving justice into our world.

We would be empty without God's gifts, and we would be selfish if we kept them to ourselves. For God's generosity let us pray, saying: Lord, hear our prayer.

Teach us to love sharing your gift of peace, we pray you, O Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Teach us to love, sharing your gift of mindfulness, we pray you, O Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Teach us to love, sharing your gift of life, we pray you, O Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Save us from the merchants of war, lies, and death, we pray you, O Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Help us cherish all truth and life that is not ours, we pray you, O Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For our ordained leaders: Michael our Presiding Bishop, Greg our Bishop, Kathleen our Rector, Verger Declan and others, we pray you, O Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

In our weekly prayer cycle, we pray for our parishioners Marty & Harold Stennett and Jeanne Wolf. We also pray for these communities of faith: St. Augustine's in-the-Woods, Freeland, St. Philip's, Marysville, and the Episcopal/Anglican Province of Alexandria. We pray you, O Lord. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

**You enter our lives, O God, by the gift of yourself. It is the way we are to enter yours. Teach us that generosity. Teach it to everyone alive – our brothers and sisters in this world. We pray through Christ, our teacher and brother. Amen.**

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor:

<b>Most merciful God,</b>	<b>we have not loved our neighbors as</b>
<b>we confess that we have sinned against you</b>	<b>ourselves.</b>
<b>in thought, word, and deed,</b>	<b>We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.</b>
<b>by what we have done,</b>	<b>For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,</b>
<b>and by what we have left undone.</b>	<b>have mercy on us and forgive us;</b>
<b>We have not loved you with our whole</b>	<b>that we may delight in your will,</b>
<b>heart;</b>	<b>and walk in your ways,</b>
	<b>to the glory of your Name. Amen.</b>

*Celebrant* 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.**

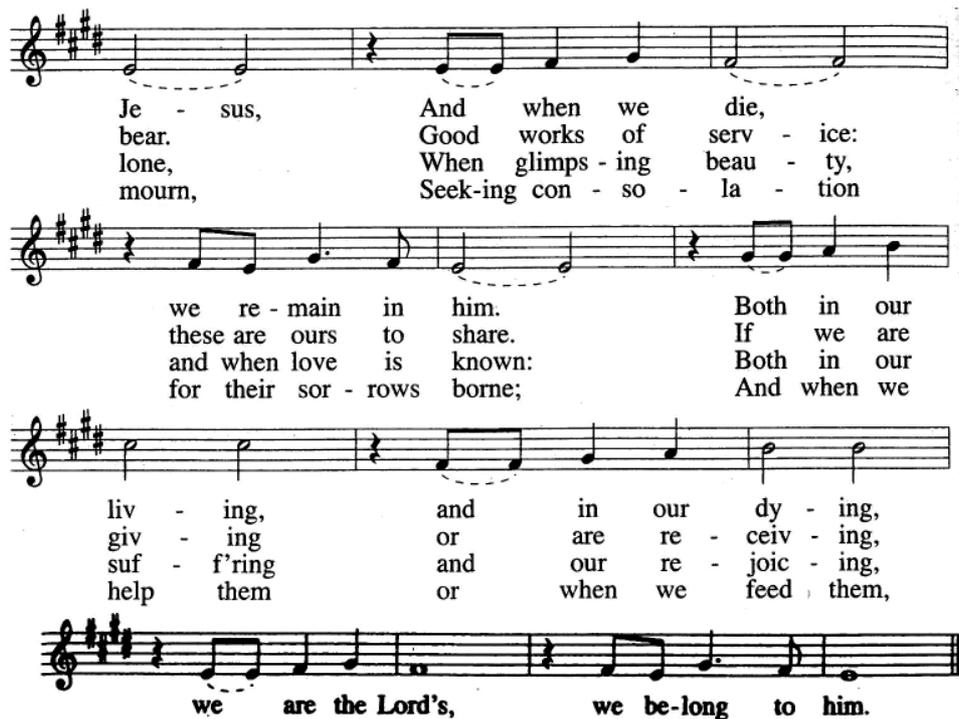
### **The Peace**

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

### **Offertory Hymn: Gather Hymnal #756: "When We Are Living"**



1. When we are liv - ing,	we are in Christ
2. While we are liv - ing,	we have fruit to
3. When sad or hurt - ing,	when we feel a -
4. Through-out this wide world	man - y peo - ple



Je - sus, And when we die,  
bear. Good works of serv - ice:  
lone, When glimps - ing beau - ty,  
mourn, Seek - ing con - so - la - tion

we re - main in him. Both in our  
these are ours to share. If we are  
and when love is known: Both in our  
for their sor - rows borne; And when we

liv - ing, and in our dy - ing,  
giv - ing or are re - ceiv - ing,  
suf - f'ring and our re - joic - ing,  
help them or when we feed them,

we are the Lord's, we be - long to him.

**The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A**

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our 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. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Sanctus: Holy (See blue booklet "Mass of God's Peace and Love" by John Kingslight)**

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 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.**

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 forever. **Amen.**

### The Lord's Prayer

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

**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, forever and ever. Amen.**

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

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

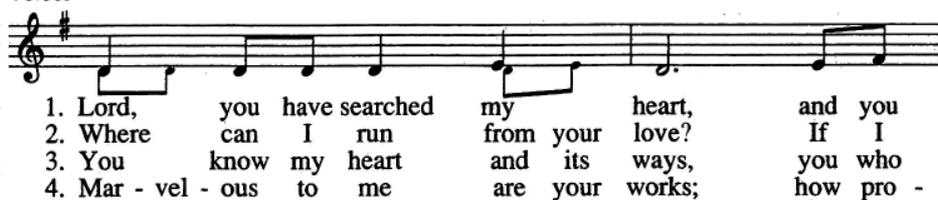
### Communion Hymn: Gather Hymnal #695: "You Are Near"

#### Refrain



O Lord, I know you are near, stand-ing al - ways  
at my side. You guard me from the foe, and you  
lead me in ways ev - er - last-ing.

#### Verses



1. Lord, you have searched my heart, and you  
2. Where can I run from your love? If I  
3. You know my heart and its ways, you who  
4. Mar - vel - ous to me are your works; how pro -

know when I sit and when I stand. Your  
climb to the heav - ens you are there; if I  
formed me be - fore I was born, in the  
found are your thoughts, my Lord. E - ven

hand is up - on me, pro - tect - ing me from death,  
fly to the sun - rise or sail be - yond the sea,  
se - cret of dark - ness be - fore I saw the sun,  
if I could count them, they num - ber as the stars,

keep - ing me from harm.  
still I'd find you there.  
in my moth - er's womb.  
you would still be there. D.C.

**The Act of Spiritual Communion by St. Alphonsus Liguori** (for those livestreaming from home):  
My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

**Prayer after Communion:**

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and the 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 forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

**Commissioning the Eucharistic Visitors**

In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

We, who are many, are one body because we share one bread and one cup. Amen.

**The Blessing** ✠

**Closing Hymn: Gather Hymnal #777: "Here I Am, Lord"**

Verses

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my  
2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my  
3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the

peo - ple cry. All who dwell in dark and sin  
peo - ple's pain. I have wept for love of them.  
poor and lame. I will set a feast for them.



My hand will save. They turn a - way. My hand will save. I, who made the Fin-est bread I will break their I

stars of night, hearts of stone, will pro - vide I will make their dark - ness bright. Give them hearts for love a - lone. Till their hearts be sat - is - fied.

Who will bear my light to them? I will speak my word to them. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? Whom shall I send? Whom shall I send?

Refrain

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you call - ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

## The Great Beginning

*Celebrant* Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

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

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

### This Sunday's Ministry Team:

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