



# HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I

THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, PROPER 19

8:00 AM, SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL

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*St. Paul's Cathedral is a vibrant Episcopal church in the heart of downtown Oklahoma City. Deeply rooted in the ministry and teachings of Jesus Christ and the traditions of the Episcopal Church, St. Paul's is the spiritual center of the Diocese of Oklahoma. We are committed to being a place for all who seek and share God's unconditional and abundant love, which calls us to comfort and stand with the vulnerable and each other. All are invited; all are welcome.*

## SILENT PROCESSION

## THE WORD OF GOD

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*The people standing, the Celebrant says*

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

*People*

**And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

*The Celebrant says*

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The following song of praise is said, all standing*

**Glory be to God on high,**

**and on earth peace, good will towards men.**

**We praise thee, we bless thee,**

**we worship thee,**

**we glorify thee,**

**we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,**

**O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.**

**O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;**

*We are glad you are here. Please scan below for welcome information.*



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sins of the world,  
have mercy upon us.  
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,  
have mercy upon us.  
For thou only art holy;  
thou only art the Lord;  
thou only, O Christ,  
with the Holy Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*The Celebrant says to the people*

The Lord be with you.

*People*

**And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant*

Let us pray.

*The Celebrant says the Collect*

O God, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee,  
mercifully grant that thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule  
our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the same  
Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, now and for ever.

*People*

**Amen.**

## THE LESSONS

*The people sit.*

### FIRST READING

#### Romans 14:1-12

*Lector*

A Reading from the Epistle to the Romans.

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of  
quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the  
weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who  
abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who  
eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on  
servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall.

And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God. We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God." So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

The Word of the Lord.

People

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 103:8-13** *(read responsively by whole verse)*

8 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, \*  
slow to anger and of great kindness.

**9 He will not always accuse us, \***  
**nor will he keep his anger for ever.**

10 He has not dealt with us according to our sins, \*  
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.

**11 For as the heavens are high above the earth, \***  
**so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.**

12 As far as the east is from the west, \*  
so far has he removed our sins from us.

**13 As a father cares for his children, \***  
**so does the Lord care for those who fear him.**

*All standing.*

## **GOSPEL**

### **Matthew 18:21-35**

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

*People*          **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Peter came and said to Jesus, “Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” Jesus said to him, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.’ And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, ‘Pay what you owe.’ Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you.’ But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, ‘You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?’ And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*          **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

## **THE SERMON**

The Rev. Canon Tim Sean Youmans

*All standing.*

## THE NICENE CREED

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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

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

*In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.*

I bid thy prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishop Poulson; for this gathering; and for all thy ministers and people.

Pray for the Church.

*Silence*

I bid thy prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people.

Pray for justice and peace.

*Silence*

I bid thy prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. We pray especially for those on the Cathedral Prayer list, and those spoken now, either silently or aloud.

Pray for those in any want or trouble.

*Silence*

I bid thy prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him.

Pray that they may find and be found by him.

*Silence*

I bid thy prayers for the departed.

Pray for those who hast died.

*Silence*

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ hath been honored.

Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

*Silence*

*We invite you to pray for all on the Cathedral prayer list, which is located in the narthex. Please take a copy with you to pray throughout the week.*

## CONFESSION OF SIN

*All stand or kneel. Silence is kept. The Deacon or Celebrant says the following*

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

*Minister and People*

**Most merciful God,**

**we confess that we have sinned against thee**

**in thought, word, and deed,**

**by what we have done,**

**and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved thee with our whole heart;**

**we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.**

**For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ,**

**have mercy on us and forgive us;**

**that we may delight in thy will,**

**and walk in thy ways,**

**to the glory of thy Name. Amen.**

*The Priest stands and says*

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

*All stand. The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*

**And with thy spirit.**

*Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## WELCOME

## COMMISSIONING OF MINISTRY LEADERS

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

*The Celebrant begins the Offertory*

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

## THE OFFERTORY

*Please place your offering in the offering box at the back of the Chapel, send a text message to 73256 and enter Stpaulsokc\$ and an amount, or scan the QR code to give online.*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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*The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says*

The Lord be with you.

*People*                    **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant*              Lift up your hearts.

*People*                    **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

*Celebrant*              Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

*People*                    **It is meet and right so to do.**

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

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. 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 with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

*Celebrant and People*

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:  
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.**

**Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.**

**Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*Please scan to  
make a gift  
online.*





*The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues*

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

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

*People and Celebrant*

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**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**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

*Then is said*

**Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
Therefore let us keep the feast.**

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

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.

*The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.*

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

*The Celebrant blesses the people.*

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses the people with these words*

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

Those serving today:

**Celebrant and Preacher**

The Rev. Canon Tim Sean Youmans

**Acolyte**

Brock Ratliff

**Deacon**

The Rev. Tracy Anderson

**Welcome Team**

Rebecca Herrin

**Lector**

Susan Gabbard

**Altar Guild**

Mary Ann Johnson, Claudia Conner,  
Mandy Highsaw, Tim Jones, Linda Reed,  
Lin Sanchez, Scott Woods

**Lay Eucharistic Minister**

Carol Howard

The sanctuary light is given to the glory of God  
by the Churchwell Family in celebration of Addison Churchwell's birthday.

**St. Paul's Cathedral Clergy**

The Very Reverend Katie Churchwell, *Dean*  
The Reverend Sarah Smith, *Curate and Succentor*  
The Reverend Omar Cisneros, *Curate*  
The Reverend Canon Tim Sean Youmans, *Canon Priest*  
The Reverend Tracy Anderson, *Deacon*  
The Reverend Gerald Butcher, *Deacon*  
The Reverend Marilyn Robertson, *Deacon and Cathedral Nurse*

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