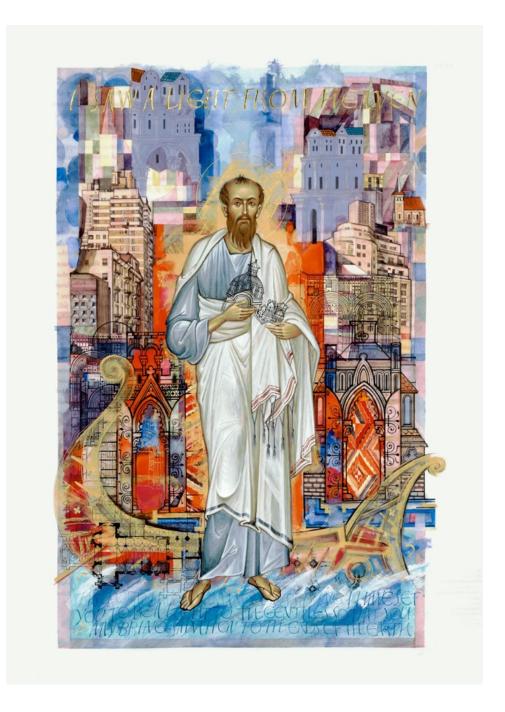


HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II THE CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL 10:00 AM, JANUARY 28, 2024 St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral

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.



On this day, we celebrate the Conversion of St. Paul, and following the service we invite you to our annual business meeting and celebration.

Please scan below for welcome information.



VOLUNTARY

Prelude in Eb, BWV 552/1

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Please remain silent during the voluntary as a time of prayer and meditation.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 616

"Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein

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, 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 following hymn is sung, all standing

Hymnal S279

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his 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.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, by the preaching of your apostle Paul you have caused the light of the Gospel to shine throughout the world: Grant, we pray, that we, having his wonderful conversion in remembrance, may show ourselves thankful to you by following his holy teaching; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People Amen.

THE LESSONS

The people sit.

FIRST READING

Acts 26:9-21

Lector A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Paul said to King Agrippa, "Indeed, I myself was convinced that I ought to do many things against the name of Jesus of Nazareth. And that is what I did in Jerusalem; with authority received from the chief priests. I not only locked up many of the saints in prison, but I also cast my vote against them when they were being condemned to death. By punishing them often in all the synagogues I tried to force them to blaspheme; and since I was so furiously enraged at them, I pursued them even to foreign cities. With this in mind, I was traveling to Damascus with the authority and commission of the chief priests, when at midday along the road, your Excellency, I saw a light from heaven, brighter than the sun, shining around me and my companions. When we had all fallen to the ground, I heard a voice saying to me in the Hebrew language, 'Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me? It hurts you to kick against the goads.' I asked, 'Who are you, Lord!' The Lord answered, 'I am Jesus whom you are persecuting. But get up and stand on your feet; for I have appeared to you for this purpose, to appoint you to serve and testify to the things in which you have seen me and to those in which I will appear to you. I will rescue you from your people and from the Gentiles- to whom I am sending you to open their eyes so that they may turn from darkness to light and from the power of Satan to God, so that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me.' After that, King Agrippa, I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision, but declared first to those in Damascus, then in Jerusalem and throughout the countryside of Iudea, and also to the Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to God and do deeds consistent with repentance. For this reason the Jews seized me in the temple and tried to kill me."

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 67

(sung by all)



- 1 May God be merciful to | us and | bless us, * show us the light of his | counte-|nance and | come to us.
- 2 Let your ways be |known u-pon| earth, * your saving | health a-|mong all | nations.
- 3 Let the peoples | praise you, O | God; * let | all the | peoples | praise you.
- 4 Let the nations be glad and | sing for | joy, * for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the | nations | upon | earth.
- 5 Let the peoples | praise you, O | God; * let | all the | peoples | praise you.
- 6 The earth has brought | forth her | increase; * may God, our | own God, | give us his | blessing.
- *2nd Half
- 7 May God | give us his | blessing, * and may all the ends of the | earth | stand in | awe of him.

SECOND READING

Galatians 1:11-24

Lector A Reading from the Epistle to the Galatians.

I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that the gospel that was proclaimed by me is not of human origin; for I did not receive it from a human source, nor was I taught it, but I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ. You have heard, no doubt, of my earlier life in Judaism. I was violently persecuting the church of God and was trying to destroy it. I advanced in Judaism beyond many among my people of the same age, for I was far more zealous for the traditions of my ancestors. But when God, who had set me apart before I was born and called me through his grace, was pleased to reveal his Son to me, so that I might proclaim him among the Gentiles, I did not confer with any human being, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were already apostles before me, but I went away at once into Arabia, and afterwards I returned to Damascus. Then after three years I did go up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas and stayed with him fifteen days; but I did not see any other apostle except James the Lord's brother. In what I am writing to you, before God, I do not lie! Then I went into the regions of Syria and Cilicia, and I was still unknown by sight to the churches of Judea that are in Christ; they only heard it said, "The one who formerly was persecuting us is now proclaiming the faith he once tried to destroy." And they glorified God because of me.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Nyland



All standing.

GOSPEL

Matthew 10:16-22

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,

according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to the twelve, "See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time; for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Very Rev. Katie Churchwell

During the
Sequence Hymn,
all children are
invited to process
to the St.
Nicholas Chapel
to attend
Children's
Chapel. They
will return at the
Peace.

THE NICENE CREED

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

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The Leader and People pray responsively Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest, especially [names]. Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, for those on the Cathedral Prayer List and those named now, either silently or aloud.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions. The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

CONFESSION OF SIN

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The Deacon says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you

in thought, word, and deed,

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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.

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.

The Priest 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

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

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

WELCOME AND ANNUAL MEETING INSTRUCTIONS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Celebrant begins the Offertory

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. **Ephesians 5:2**

THE OFFERTORY

Please place your offering in the alms basin, send a text message to 73256 and enter Stpaulsokc\$ and an amount, or scan the QR code to give online.

Please scan to make a gift online.



OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

We praise thee, O God: we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.

All the earth doth worship thee: the Father everlasting.

To thee all Angels cry aloud: the Heavens, and all the Powers therein.

To thee Cherubim and Seraphim: continually do cry,

Holy, Holy, Holy: Lord God of Sabaoth;

Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty: of thy glory.

The glorious company of the Apostles: praise thee.

The goodly fellowship of the Prophets: praise thee.

The noble army of Martyrs: praise thee.

The holy Church throughout all the world: doth acknowledge thee;

The Father: of an infinite Majesty; Thine honourable, true: and only Son; Also the Holy Ghost: the Comforter.

Thou art the King of Glory: O Christ.

Thou art the everlasting Son: of the Father.

When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man: thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.

When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death:

thou didst open the Kingdom of Heaven to all believers.

Thou sittest at the right hand of God: in the glory of the Father.

We believe that thou shalt come: to be our Judge.

We therefore pray thee, help thy servants: whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.

Make them to be numbered with thy Saints: in glory everlasting.

O Lord, save thy people: and bless thine heritage.

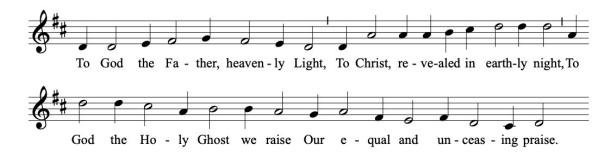
Govern them: and lift them up for ever.

Day by day: we magnify thee; And we worship thy Name: ever world without end.

Vouchsafe, O Lord: to keep us this day without sin.

- O Lord, have mercy upon us: have mercy upon us.
- O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us: as our trust is in thee.
- O Lord, in thee have I trusted: let me never be confounded.

PRESENTATION HYMN



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says

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 him 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 the great shepherd of your flock, Jesus Christ our Lord; who after his resurrection sent forth his apostles to preach the Gospel and to teach all nations; and promised to be with them always, even to the end of the ages. 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 Hymnal S131

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.

The people stand or kneel.

Then 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.

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.

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.

The Celebrant continues

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 for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has 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 sung Hymnal S155

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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.

COMMUNION HYMN 255

"We Sing the Glorious Conquest"

Munich

SENDING OUT OF LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

The Deacon or the Celebrant says

We 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 all share one bread, one cup. Amen.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

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Celebrant and People

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.

The Celebrant blesses the people.

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among 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.

The Eucharistic candles on the altar symbolize that Christ is the light of the world and they represent the presence of God in Worship, the reading of the Gospel, and the Eucharist. Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." The congregation is invited to remain silent, prayerful, and fully engaged in the reverence of worship until the Eucharistic candles have been extinguished at the conclusion of the Voluntary.

CLOSING HYMN 410

"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

Lauda anima

VOLUNTARY

Chorale Prelude on "St. Anne"

Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848-1918)

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About the music:

Bach's monumental *Prelude in E flat*, BWV 552, is part of a large collection of chorale-based organ works called *Clavier-Übung III*. The collection begins with the *prelude* followed by 21 chorale preludes, then concludes with a triple fugue based on the hymn tune St. Anne, or "O God our help in ages past." The *prelude* is written in French Overture style which is characteristic of sharp dotted rhythms in a majestic, grand manner. Both the prelude and the fugue are also deliberate representations of the three figures of the Trinity: the Father, represented by these majestic-dotted chords, the Son, in a light, varied, galant style, and the Holy Spirit, as descending fast notes in a three-part double fugue, "Like fiery tongues."

Our service music for the season of Epiphany was composed by **Gerald Near**. Near has composed several things for the Hymnal 1982 as well as many sacred anthems for liturgical use. Did you know he was commissioned to write a choral anthem for St. Paul's? It was dedicated to H. Scott Raab at his 25th Anniversary as Canon Musician.

The sequence hymn today is set to a tune entitled, *Nyland*. Hymn tune names are typically selected by the composer of the music. Though sometimes clearly associated with the text, many times they are named for the location in which they were composed or reflect the nationality of the composer. In other cases, they carry sentimental value such as the hymn tune *Michael*, written by Herbert Howells in memory of the tragic death of his son. *Nyland* is named for a province in Finland and is a folk melody from the south of Finland. Partly because of its association with the folk melody, it is a very popular and singable tune.

Today the choir sings a glorious setting of the BCP morning canticle, *Te deum* by Irish composer Charles Villiers Stanford. Stanford sang as a boy chorister at St. Patrick's Cathedral in Dublin and studied at Trinity College, Cambridge where he was also appointed organist as an undergraduate. Stanford's musical output is vast having written a number of large concert works, choral music, and chamber music. His best-known works are certainly in the sacred tradition of cathedral music. He wrote a number of Anglican Chants, numerous anthems, motets, morning and evening canticles, and organ music. The setting today, in B flat major, is truly a masterpiece and most likely one of Stanford's most popular settings of the *Te Deum*. It was composed in 1879 for the Choir of Trinity College, Cambridge as an effort to improve singing at the college chapel.

Our closing hymn today, *Lauda anima*, is sung to a tune written by John Goss. John Goss served as choirmaster at "big St. Paul's" in London from 1838-1872. We often sing other melodies by Goss including Anglican Chant. This is a good example of the tune name reflecting the text. *Lauda anima* translates simply as "praise my soul."

The closing voluntary was composed by Charles Hubert Hastings Parry, famously known for his coronation anthem, "I was glad." Parry also composed the hymn tune *Repton* which we sang last week at the 11:15 service to the text "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind." Parry was an influential composer and teacher during his lifetime and his influence can be traced long after his death in 1918. His chorale prelude on "St Anne" is part of a collection of seven chorale preludes, set 1, no. 7. It is jubilant in character, much like the hymn tune, and typical of an English voluntary influenced by composers such as Charles Wood, Charles Stanford, and Herbert Sumsion.

Those serving today:

Celebrant and Preacher

The Very Rev. Katie Churchwell

Assisting Priests

The Rev. Omar Cisneros
The Rev. Canon Tim Sean Youmans

Deacons

The Rev. Tracy Anderson The Rev. Gerald Butcher The Rev. Marilyn Robertson

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Kendall Foster, J.D. Weiss, John Koons, Lila Guilford, Tatum Foster, Matthew Sessing, Emily McDonald, Will Bendure, Jackson Bendure, Trevor Todd

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Miles Tolbert (first lesson), Bill Parker (second lesson)

Lay Eucharistic Ministers

Jani Hill, Bill Parker, Karen Meites

Intercessor

Karen Meites

Oblationer

Julia Kirt

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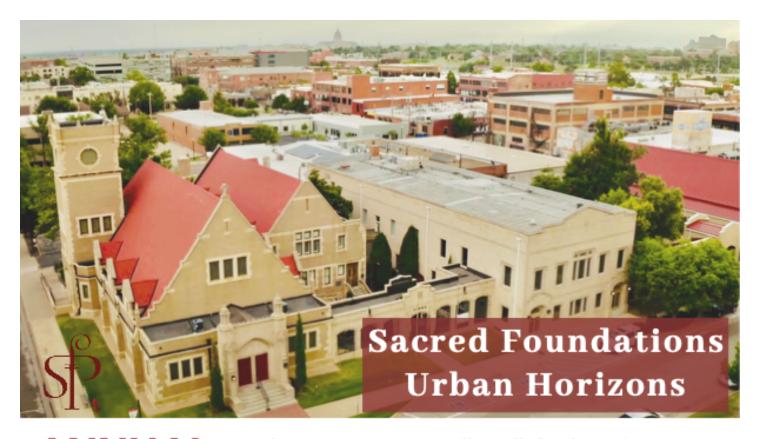
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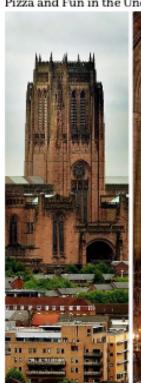
Children and Youth! Pizza and Fun in the Undercroft! Make your way up to Dean Willey Hall after the service

Make a bid on your favorite cake and crown the next Cake Boss

Help yourself to lunch and find a place to sit

Members in Good Standing: sign in at your table so we can

determine a quorum



Choir Tour 2025!

The Cathedral Choir will embark on a tour of the UK in 2025 including Liverpool, Ripon, and Blackburn Cathedrals. Save the dates! July 19-29, 2025. *A companion trip for friends of the choir is planned to be offered.



who join by Easter 2024 will be eligible to tour with us. Email jripka@stpaulsokc.org to join.













