

Welcome

Welcome to St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral; we are so glad you are here. St. Paul's is a safe and welcoming place for all people. If you are new to St. Paul's we encourage you to get connected with our weekly email newsletter. You can sign up online at stpaulsokc.org.

A friendly reminder to those who are worshipping in-person, please have your mask on (covering your mouth and nose) and maintain social distancing at all times during the service. Additionally, we cannot have congregational singing at this time, so during the hymns we invite you to listen to the choristers and follow along with the words printed in the bulletin. We thank you in advance for adhering to these Diocesan protocols which keep us all safe and allow for us to worship in-person.

The Coming In Song

[please stand as you are able]

Into the Mystic
Van Morrison

We were born before the wind
Also younger than the sun
Ere the bonnie boat was won as we sailed
into the mystic

Hark, now hear the sailors cry
Smell the sea and feel the sky
Let your soul and spirit fly
into the mystic

And when that fog horn blows
I will be coming home

And when the fog horn blows
I want to hear it
and I don't have to fear it

And I just want to rock your gypsy soul
Just like way back in the days of old
And magnificently we will flow
into the mystic

Gather

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Song of Praise

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, the 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,
For you alone are the Lord,
For you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Spirit
with your Holy Spirit,
with your Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Invitation

BCP 225

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Word

Acts 8:26-40 (CEB)

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

[You may be seated]

An angel from the Lord spoke to Philip, "At noon, take the road that leads from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a desert road.) So he did. Meanwhile, an Ethiopian man was on his way home from Jerusalem, where he had come to worship. He was a eunuch and an official responsible for the entire treasury of Candace. (Candace is the title given to the Ethiopian queen.) He was reading the prophet Isaiah while sitting in his carriage. The Spirit told Philip, "Approach this carriage and stay with it." Running up to the carriage, Philip heard the man reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you really understand what you are reading?" The man replied, "Without someone to guide me, how could I?" Then he invited Philip to climb up and sit with him. This was the passage of scripture he was reading: "Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter and like a lamb before its shearer is silent so he didn't open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was taken away from him. Who can tell the story of his descendants because his life was taken from the earth?" The eunuch asked Philip, "Tell me, about whom does the prophet say this? Is he talking about himself or someone else?" Starting with that passage, Philip proclaimed the good news about Jesus to him. As they went down the road, they came to some water. The eunuch said, "Look! Water! What would keep me from being baptized?" He ordered that the carriage

halt. Both Philip and the eunuch went down to the water, where Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Lord's Spirit suddenly took Philip away. The eunuch never saw him again but went on his way rejoicing. Philip found himself in Azotus. He traveled through that area, preaching the good news in all the cities until he reached Caesarea.

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

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 22:24-30 (St. Helena Breviary, p. 390)

Refrain:

And when that fog horn blows

I will be coming home

And when the fog horn blows

I want to hear it

and I don't have to fear it

My praise is of you in the great assembly; *

I will perform my vows in the presence of those
who worship you.

The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek you shall praise you: *

"May your heart live for ever!"

Refrain

For yours is the royal power, O God; *
you rule over the nations.

To you alone all who sleep in the earth bow down
in worship; *

all who go down to the dust fall before you.

Refrain

My soul shall live for you;
my descendants shall serve you; *
they shall be known as yours for ever.

They shall come and make known to a people
yet unborn *

the saving deeds that you have done.

Refrain

Gospel Hymn

[Please stand as you are able]

Jesus Cast a Look on Me

Lyrics by John Berridge

Music by Matthew Perryman Jones

Jesus cast a look on me,
Give me sweet simplicity
Make me poor and keep me low,
Seeking only Thee to know

All that feeds my busy pride,
Cast it evermore aside
Bid my will to Thine submit,
Lay me humbly at Thy feet

Make me like a little child,
Of my strength and wisdom spoiled
Seeing only in Thy light,
Walking only in Thy might

Leaning on Thy loving breast,
Where a weary soul can rest
Feeling well the peace of God,
Flowing from His precious blood

In this posture let me live,
And hosannas daily give
In this temper let me die,
And hosannas ever cry!

Gospel

John 15:1-8 (CEB)

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, “I am the true vine, and my Father is the vineyard keeper. He removes any of my branches that don’t produce fruit, and he trims any branch that produces fruit so that it will produce even more fruit. You are already trimmed because of the word I have spoken to you. Remain in me, and I will remain in you. A branch can’t produce fruit by itself, but must remain in the vine. Likewise, you can’t produce fruit unless you remain in me. I am the vine; you are the branches.

If you remain in me and I in you, then you will produce much fruit. Without me, you can’t do anything. If you don’t remain in me, you will be like a branch that is thrown out and dries up. Those branches are gathered up, thrown into a fire, and burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified when you produce much fruit and in this way prove that you are my disciples.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily

**[You may be seated after
the opening prayer]**

Profess

BCP 358

[Please stand as you are able]

**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.**

Pray

BCP 385

[silence will be observed after each petition]

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Daniel, Bishop of Uruguay; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Poulson, our Bishop; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.
Pray for the Church.

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people.
Pray for justice and peace.

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.
Pray for those in any need or trouble.

[Intercessions]

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him.
Pray that they may find and be found by him.

I ask your prayers for the departed.
Pray for those who have died.

I ask your thanksgiving for all the blessings of this life.

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored, especially those whom we remember today.

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

Admit & Amend

"Ain't a Gonna Grieve"

Woody Guthrie, Wilco, Billy Bragg

I long to fly away to Heaven
Pass beyond that shining door
See my master and my savior
High away to Heaven soar
I have made myself my promise
Never again to grieve my lord
I will live his gospel story
Sweetest story ever told

Ain't a gonna grieve my lord no more

Ain't a gonna grieve my lord no more

Ain't a gonna grieve my lord any more, not any more

Guess I've lived my life in blindness
I have lived a life of wrong
Now my heart runs full with gladness
Singing out my gospel song
Many a faith's too easy shaken
Many a heart too full of fear
Many an eye is too mistaken
Grievous to my savior dear

Make today this golden promise
Make this vow forever more
Live the story and the glory
Dwell in peace forever more
Make today this one agreement
Change my thoughts from greed to love
Enter soft into my chamber
Pray for light to see me through

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

[You may share a greeting of peace with those near you without touching]

Through Christ let us continually offer to God the sacrifice of praise, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his Name. But do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. **Amen.**

Offer

The Love of Christ is Rich and Free

Lyrics by William Gadsby

Music by Sandra McCracken

The love of Christ is rich and free;
Fixed on His own eternally;
Nor earth, nor hell, can it remove;
Long as He lives, His own He'll love.

His loving heart engaged to be
Their everlasting Surety;
Twas love that took their cause in hand,
And love maintains it to the end.

*Chorus: Love cannot from its post withdraw;
Nor death, nor hell, nor sin, nor law,
Can turn the Surety's heart away;
He'll love His own to endless day.*

Love has redeemed His sheep with blood;
And love will bring them safe to God;
Love calls them all from death to life;
And love will finish all their strife.

He loves through every changing scene,
Nor aught from Him can Zion wean;
Not all the wanderings of her heart
Can make His love for her depart.

Chorus

At death, beyond the grave, He'll love;
In endless bliss, His own shall prove
The blazing glory of that love
Which never could from them remove

Prepare

[please stand as you are able]

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 him thanks and praise.

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we say:

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

[Please stand or kneel as you are able]

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with St. Paul and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

AMEN.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**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.**

Break

[The Celebrant breaks the bread]

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

**We who are many are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.**

Share

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.

Feast

[You may be seated]

During this season of coronavirus we will have communion in one kind only (the bread). The celebrant will consume the consecrated wine on behalf of the congregation. While this may feel incomplete to some, our tradition tells us that to receive communion in one kind (bread or wine) is to receive communion fully. We will return to communion in both kinds when we can safely do so. Please sanitize your hands before and after receiving. To receive, move toward the front of the church when the usher indicates it is your turn. Please maintain social distancing from others in the communion line. When it is your turn to receive, you can extend your hands and receive the host,

walk away from the priest, and then quickly pull down your mask to consume. Please replace your mask immediately after receiving. If you wish to refrain from communion, you can come forward to revive a contact free blessing. Cross your arms over your chest to indicate you would like a blessing.

If you require a gluten-free wafer please tell the priest when you come forward.

Listen

There is a Fountain Filled With Blood

Lyrics by William Cowper

Music by Darwin Jordan

There is fountain filled with blood
Drawn from Emmanuel's veins;
And sinners plunged beneath that flood
Lose all their guilty stains.

The dying thief rejoiced to see
That fountain in his day;
And there may I, though vile as he,
Wash all my sins away.

Dear dying Lamb, Thy precious blood
Shall never lose its power
Til all the ransomed church of God
Be saved to sin no more.

Eer since, by faith, I saw the stream
Thy flowing wounds supply,
Redeeming love has been my theme,
And shall be til I die.

When this poor lispng, stammering tongue
Lies silent in the grave,
Then in a nobler, sweeter song,
I'll sing Thy powr to save.

Gratitude

Let us pray.

[Please stand or kneel as you are able]

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.

Bless

Holy incarnate Word,
Holy abiding Spirit,
Bless you for evermore. **Amen.**

Go

Alleluia, Alleluia. Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

The Leaving-Out Song

Oh Mary Don't You Weep
Traditional

Refrain:
Pharoah's army drowned in the sea
O Mary, don't you weep
Tell Martha not to moan

O Mary, don't you weep
Tell Martha not to moan

It might be that somebody's sick today
Somebody here ain't got no home

If I could, I surely would
Stand on the rock where Moses stood.

ABOUT THIS EVENING'S SERVICE

Rooted:

Rooted is a worship service of St. Paul's Cathedral that combines the emerging liturgies in the Episcopal Church with the literary texture of American Roots Music. Tonight's music comes from a variety of sources, including Van Morrison, John Berridge, Matthew Perryman Jones, Woody Guthrie, Wilco, Billy Bragg, William Gadsby, Sandra McCracken, William Cowper and Darwin Jordan.

Liturgy:

The liturgy for this service is taken from "Enriching Our Worship 1".

The text of the Psalm is from "The Saint Helena Breviary", p. 390.

Celebrant and Preacher

The Rev. Janie Kirt Morris

Musicians

Mary Reynolds

Kevin McDonald

Lesser Feast:

Nathan Guilford

The Rev. Canon Tim Sean Youmans

Lay Readers

MaryAnn Sonntag

Christopher Haygood

Garrick Voth