

The Seventh Sunday of Easter: May 24, 2020

Welcome to St. Paul's Episcopal Church!

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT US AT WWW.STPAULSTX.ORG

903-455-5030 secretary@stpaulstx.org 8320 Jack Finney Blvd. Greenville, Texas 75402-3004 Office Hours: Tuesday - Thursday 8am - 2pm

Service Times

SUNDAY

10:30 AM HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

WEDNESDAY

Noon Noonday Prayers

Morsel for Meditation

There is no way to peace along the way of safety. For peace must be dared. It is the great venture. It can never be safe. Peace is the opposite of security. To demand guarantees is to mistrust, and this mistrust in turn brings forth war. To look for guarantees is to want to protect oneself. Peace means giving oneself completely to the law of God, wanting no security, but in faith and obedience laying the destiny of the nations in the hand of Almighty God, not trying to direct it for selfish purposes. Battles are won, not with weapons, but with God. They are won where the way leads to the cross.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer, *A Testament to Freedom: The Essential Writings of Dietrich Bonhoeffer* (New York: Harper Collins, 1990, 1995), 228. From "The Church, the People of the World" (Ecumenical Conference, Fano, Italy), August 28, 1934.

Lay Ministry

10:30 ам Lector 05/24: Robb Horn

Acolytes 05/24: David Kirklin

Altar Guild 05/24: Georgianna Harrison 05/31: Georgianna Harrison

VESTRY PERSON OF THE DAY 05/24: FRANK MCKEE, JOHN-PAUL BALLARD 05/31: ELIZABETH PORTER, DANA MEDFORD

CIRCLE OF CARE (WEEKLY)

ON HOLD UNTIL IN-PERSON MEETINGS RESUME

INTERCESSORY PRAYER (WEEKLY) ON HOLD UNTIL IN-PERSON MEETINGS RESUME

Jesus Christ, *Head of the Church* The Rt. Rev. Dr. George R. Sumner, *Bishop* The Rev. Dr. Nicholas Funk, *Rector* The Rev. Gordon Miltenberger, *Assisting Priest* David Gish, *Music Director* John Shasteen, *Organist* Angela Dryer, *Parish Administrator*

Order of Worship

Pray for the Church, the Body of Christ Please pray for those on our prayer list this week: Judy Shaddox, Chris Bynum, Lily Stipe, Chris Wiltz, Allen Clegg Sr., The Clegg Family, Jo Dodson, Elaine Hodge, Beverly Gish, Cyndi Sehr, Faye Hamann, Dana Medford, Bob Lanier, Alice Cooney, Wayne and Lillian McHenry, Eileen Jenkins, Father Gordon, Dolores Miltenberger, Dru Ann Jamison, Mike Lavigne, and Paula Reeves. We also pray for our Daughters of the King Ministry as they bring their strength and service together by praying for friends and for the people.

Contact our church office to add a name to our prayer list.

Stewardship Today

Part of our stewardship is taking time, developing our ability to pray - to communicate with God in Prayers of Intercession for those in need of God's healing. In practicing good Christian stewardship, it is not time or abilities, or money, but all three, given to make known God's love for this world. We are healed not to retire from God's service, but to serve God's world. We are always called upon to practice good stewardship.

> One Minute Stewardship Sermons by Rev Charles Cloughen Jr[.]

Frank McKee Stewardship Committee Chair

May 17 - Offering: \$1,023.00

BCP = Book of Common Prayer (black) H= Hymnbook (red) A3 = Alleluia III (yellow)

10:30 — Holy Eucharist Rite II

Prelude

Doxology (Old 100th)
The Great Thanksgiving, Prayer A BCP 361
Sanctus
The Lord's Prayer BCP 364
Agnus Dei
The Presentation BCP 362
Communion Hymns
I Saw the Light
Swing Lo, Sweet Chariot A3 #157
Post Communion Prayer BCP 365
The Blessing & Dismissal BCP 366
Recessional Hymn
Crown him with many crowns (Diademata)

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive communion.

- Sunday Tune in to the Church's Facebook Live or YouTube at 10:30am for the morning service 05/24:
- 05/24: Sunday - Virtual Coffee Hour following the morning service via Zoom
- 05/27: Wednesday - Noonday prayer at Noon via Zoom (also posted live on the Parish's Facebook page)
- Wednesday 8am & 6pm Tune in to GEUS community Channel 34 for a broadcast of the previous 05/27: Sunday's service at St. Paul's - a weekly event!
- Friday Interactive Bible study via Zoom at 8:00am 05/29:
- 05/31: Sunday - Tune in to the Church's Facebook Live or YouTube at 10:30am for the morning service
- 05/31: Sunday - Virtual Coffee Hour following the morning service via Zoom

To Join Zoom Meetings, use the following information:

Website: <u>https://zoom.us/j/9037772020</u>

Meeting ID: 903 777 2020 **One tap mobile:** +13462487799, 9037772020# **Password**: 7777777 Dial by your location: +1 346 248 7799

Rector's Update

Greetings to the saints of St. Paul's,

Good news! It looks like we'll be back in the church for Trinity Sunday on June 7th! We'll be putting out details of that next week, as there will be differences than our previous worship. For example, we'll all have masks, and no congregational singing. Those 65 and over (and those with underlying health conditions) are recommended to continue watching the livestream, rather than attending the service.

As mentioned last week, we have started distributing consecrated hosts (i.e. the wafers) to those who let me know they'd like to receive them. Each Sunday, I will consecrate extra wafers, and have them distributed to those who let me know that they would like to receive it. During the service, I'll ask that those watching online to consume the host with me during the Eucharist. We'll continue to do this as long as we need to do it. The catch is that you have to let me know that you want to receive the host by the Thursday afternoon prior to the Sunday you'd like to receive the Eucharist. Please let me know the number of people receiving, and how often you'd like to receive. The best way to let me know is via email: fathernickfunk@gmail.com.

Here are the Highlights from St. Paul's May Vestry meeting:

Heard a teaching on charting a moral Christian path during coronavirus.

 Heard that there has been no indication from the Diocese regarding the date of the church or office reopening.

- Heard that the Diocese is receiving nomination for the annual elections at the 2020 Diocesan Convention.
- Offered thanks to the tech team and service support on Sunday.
- Offered thanks to Georgianna Harrison and Laura Funk for using flowers grown at the church and close by to decorate the Altar.
- Heard that the Senior Warden is putting together a survey of the parish.
- Heard that the June Vestry meeting probably will be via Zoom.
- Heard that we have purchased new John Deere X350 riding mower from United Ag and Turf, Sulphur Springs.
- Heard that we have installed a small undercounter hot water heater in Altar Guild Sacristy.
- Heard that a trench has been dug for the fiberoptic cable to offer a high-speed internet connection for live streaming of services.

 Heard that we are working with Shane Stovall Roofing to get cash bids for reworking school and Clardy Hall roofs.

- Heard that a city code enforcer sent a code violation letter to wrong address to get our back field mowed.
- Heard that we will likely be offering live streaming worship for some time, and that may require the purchase of additional equipment.

 Heard that we are pursuing a number of grants for the school and church plant. Thank you to Debbie Shaffer and Elizabeth Porter.

- Heard that we have signed up for mobile and electronic giving through Tithe.ly (https://tithe.ly/give_new/ www/#/tithely/give)
- Heard that Dr. Joe Bleier has been added to the Bishop's medical advice cohort.
- Decided NOT to proceed forward with the installation of flagpoles near the church sign.
- Decided to receive the donation of a table and benches.
- Will seek to comply with the regulations necessary to obtain full CARE Act loan forgiveness.
- Total Income Year-to-Date: \$86,210.55 Budget: \$88,814.00 Over Budget: -\$2,603.45