



The Seventh Sunday of Easter: May 16, 2021

Welcome to St. Paul's Episcopal Church!

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Office Hours: The Church Office is closed with staff working remotely until further notice.

Service Times

SUNDAY

8:00AM HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I

10:15AM to 12:00PM . . . NURSERY OPEN

10:30AM HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

WEDNESDAY

10:30 AM . . MORNING PRAYER (VIA ZOOM)

Morsel for Meditation

Our faith begins at the point where atheists suppose it must be at an end. Our faith begins with the bleakness and power which is the night of the cross, abandonment, temptation, and doubt about everything that exists! Our faith must be born where it is abandoned by all tangible reality; it must be born of nothingness, it must taste this nothingness and be given it to taste in a way that no philosophy of nihilism can imagine.

H. J. Iwand: *Bread and Wine*

Faith is what you have in the absence of knowledge... and that absence doesn't bother me because I have got, over the years, a sense of the immense sweep of creation, of the evolutionary process in everything, of how incomprehensible God must necessarily be to be the God of heaven and earth. You can't fit the Almighty into your intellectual categories. If you want your faith, you have to work for it. It is a gift, but for very few is it a gift given without any demand for time devoted to its cultivation....Even in the life of a Christian, faith rises and falls like the tides of an invisible sea. It's there, even when he can't see it or feel it, if he wants it to be there.

Flannery O'Connor: *Cries from the Heart*

Lay Ministry

8:00 AM LECTOR/LEM

05/16: DAVID CLEGG

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10:30 AM LECTOR

05/16: DAVID STIPE

05/23: SUZANNE TAYLOR

ACOLYTES

05/016: TBD

ALTAR GUILD

05/16: LAURA FUNK, GEORGIANNA HARRISON,
GAIL ROLSTON

VESTRY PERSON OF THE DAY

05/16: DEBBIE SHAFFER, FRANK MCKEE

05/23: ELIZABETH PORTER, JOHN-PAUL BALLARD

CIRCLE OF CARE (MONTHLY)

ON HOLD

INTERCESSORY PRAYER (WEEKLY)

ON HOLD

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

8:00 — HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I

Introduction to Worship

Opening Sentence	BCP 323
Collect.	BCP 174
The Lessons	
First Reading	Acts 1:15-17, 21-26
Psalm	Psalm 1
Epistle	1 John 5:9-13
Gospel	John 17:6-19
Sermon	The Rev. Dr. Bill Shaddox
Nicene Creed	BCP 326
Prayers of the People	BCP 328
The Confession.	BCP 331
The Peace.	BCP 332
Announcements	

Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving (Prayer I)	BCP 333
The Lord's Prayer	BCP 336
<i>Agnus Dei</i>	BCP 337
The Presentation	BCP 338
Post Communion Prayer	BCP 338
The Blessing & Dismissal	BCP 339

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive communion.

10:30 — HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

Prelude

Processional Hymn	<i>H #494</i>
<i>Crown him with many crowns (Diademata)</i>	
Opening Sentence	BCP 355
<i>Gloria in excelsis</i>	<i>H #280</i>
Collect.	BCP 225
The Lessons	
First Reading	Acts 1:15-17, 21-26
Psalm	Psalm 1
Epistle	1 John 5:9-13
Gospel Hymn	<i>H #214</i>
<i>Hail the day that sees him rise (Llanfair)</i>	
Gospel	John 17:6-19
Sermon	The Rev. Dr. Bill Shaddox
The Nicene Creed	BCP 358
Prayers of the People (Form III)	BCP 387
The Confession.	BCP 360
The Peace.	BCP 360
Announcements	

Holy Communion

Offertory	<i>H #483</i>
<i>The head that once was crowned with thorns (St. Magnus)</i>	
Offertory Anthem	<i>A3 #221</i>
<i>Doxology (Old 100th)</i>	
The Great Thanksgiving (Prayer A)	BCP 361
<i>Sanctus</i>	<i>H #S129</i>
The Lord's Prayer	BCP 364
<i>Agnus Dei</i>	<i>H #S157</i>
The Presentation	BCP 364
Communion Hymns	
<i>Pass It On</i>	<i>A3 #133</i>
<i>It Is Well With My Soul</i>	<i>A3 #100</i>
Post Communion Prayer	BCP 365
The Blessing & Dismissal	BCP 366
Recessional Hymn	<i>H #473</i>
<i>Lift high the cross (Crucifer)</i>	

BCP = Book of Common Prayer (black)

H= Hymnbook (red)

A3 = Alleluia III (yellow)

Pray for the Church, the Body of Christ

Please pray for those on our prayer list this week: Julia Schwartz, Father Gordon, Dolores Miltenberger, 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.

Announcements

- **Registration for 2021 For the City is now open!** Consider being the hands and feet of Jesus, working together with fellow brothers and sisters in the faith to transform our community and the people living within it. Activity dates are Wednesday, June 2nd, through Saturday, June 5th. All volunteers are asked to register at www.forthecity.info. This year's activities will include:
 - Light Construction Projects
 - Painting
 - Roof Work
 - Yard Work (mowing, weeding, trimming etc.) (Kid friendly - Adult must accompany)
 - Trash, clippings and brush hauling
 - Food Drive and distribution to local food banks
 - Public Area Cleanup on Wesley Street, Lee Street, other major thoroughfares
 - Random Acts of Kindness (yard work, car washing, trimming, etc.) (Kid friendly - Adult must accompany)
 - Prayer Walking and Driving in neighborhoods and public areas such as parks, schools and public building (Kid friendly - Adult must accompany)
- **Volunteer Opportunity** - As a consequence of some budget cuts, the Jr Warden Division is taking on the weekly task of cleaning the church offices, bathrooms, Clardy Hall and sanctuary. This will be effective 1 March 2021. So as not to over burden any one person or persons, volunteers are needed to lighten the load. Instructions, materials and consumables will be provided.
 - Volunteering your time is one of the Three T's - Time, Talent and Treasure for the church. Cleaning teams will be 2 to 3 people at a time.
 - Experience has shown that the cleaning goes very quickly once started (less than 2hrs). Wiping down the church for the Sunday service will be a part of the cleaning effort.
 - Please volunteer, your church needs you.
 - Contact the Jr. Warden, Frank E. McKee if you wish to volunteer

Upcoming Events

Sunday, May 23: Pentecost Sunday - Picnic following 10:30am service

May 9

Offering: \$792.22

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