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Our Mission is Growing Disciples of Jesus Christ

The Liturgy of the Word

Opening Voluntary

Prelude on "Jesu, Meine Zuversicht"

J. S. Bach

Opening Hymn 420

When In Our Music God Is Glorified

Acclamation *(also on page 355 in the Book of Common Prayer)*

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

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.**

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his
 peo - ple on earth. Lord God, Hea - ven - ly King, Al - might - y God and
 16 Fath - er, We wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your
 24 *p* glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,
 32 Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
 40 on us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our
 48 prayer. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord
 57 *crescendo* you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, *ff* with the Ho - ly Spi -
 66 rit, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - - men.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Old Testament Lesson: 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14

David slept with his ancestors, and was buried in the city of David. The time that David reigned over Israel was forty years; he reigned seven years in Hebron, and thirty-three years in Jerusalem. So Solomon sat on the throne of his father David; and his kingdom was firmly established.

Solomon loved the Lord, walking in the statutes of his father David; only, he sacrificed and offered incense at the high places. The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the principal high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?"

It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you. I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honor all your life; no other king shall compare with you. If you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your life."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm Psalm Psalm 111 *(said responsively by half verse)*

Hallelujah!

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, *

in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

Great are the deeds of the Lord! *

they are studied by all who delight in them.

His work is full of majesty and splendor, *

and his righteousness endures for ever.

He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; *

the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.

He gives food to those who fear him; *

he is ever mindful of his covenant.

He has shown his people the power of his works *
in giving them the lands of the nations.

The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; *
all his commandments are sure.

They stand fast for ever and ever, *
because they are done in truth and equity.

He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant for ever; *
holy and awesome is his Name.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; *
those who act accordingly have a good understanding; his praise endures for ever.

The New Testament Lesson: Ephesians 5:15-20

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn 313 Let Thy Blood In Mercy Poured

Gospel John 6:51-58

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon, The Rev. Tom Pumphrey

The Nicene Creed *(on page 358 in the Book of Common Prayer)*

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 *(please kneel as you are able)*

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 Rob and Don our Bishops, Tom, our priest, and we pray for all bishops, priests and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for our nation and its people

That we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will.

We pray for Joseph, our President and Brian, our Governor,
and 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,

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 for those of others. *(please add your prayers)*

We thank you, Lord, for the blessings of this life. *(please add your thanksgivings)*

The priest adds a concluding Collect.

The Confession

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, 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.

The Absolution

The Exchange of the Peace of Jesus Christ

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you

People And also with you!

The Liturgy of the Table

The congregation offers to God gifts of bread and wine, as well as gifts of money and music.

The Offertory Music God of Mercy, God of Grace

Jerry Davidson

Presentation Hymn: Doxology (Lasst Uns Erfreuen)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Alleluia, alleluia! Allelulia, alleluia! Allelulia!

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A (page 361 in the Book of Common Prayer)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

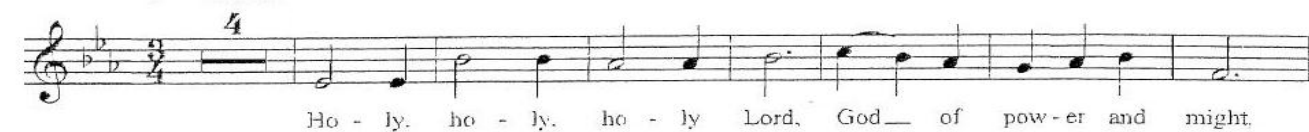
People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth...

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:



The people remain standing (as you are able). The Celebrant continues. (in the Book of Common Prayer, p. 362)

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.

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 the faith:

Celebrant & People: **Christ has died.**
 Christ is risen.
 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.

The people respond: AMEN!

The Lord's Prayer

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

Fraction Anthem S-155

This setting is not used in Lent.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is

sac - ri - ficed for us; There-fore let us keep the feast.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Communion

All are welcome at the table either to receive the blessing of the church if you are not baptized (please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest), or to share in communion with Christ and his church if you are a baptized Christian of any age or any denomination. Gluten free wafers are available upon request.

If you would like prayer for yourself or others, come to the side altar where trained intercessors will pray for you.

Communion Music

Hymn 335 I Am the Bread of Life

Eucharistic Visitor Blessing

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. Go with the Bread of Heaven and the Cup of Salvation to our sisters and brothers who cannot be with us in this place, bringing refreshment to those who are weary, and all for God's glory in the Communion of Saints. Amen.

Post Communion Prayer (*Book of Common Prayer, page 366*)

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Blessing

Closing Hymn 594 God of Grace and God of Glory



1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple pour thy power;
2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as - sail his ways!
3 Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness, bend our pride to thy con - trol;
4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils we de - plore;



crown thine an - cient Church's sto - ry; bring her bud to glo - rious flower.
From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise:
shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, rich in things and poor in soul.
let the gift of thy sal - va - tion be our glo - ry ev - er - more.



Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the fac - ing of this
grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the liv - ing of these
Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, lest we miss thy king - dom's
Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, serv - ing thee whom we a -



hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
days, for the liv - ing of these days.
goal, lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.
dore, serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God!

Closing Voluntary

Homage to J. S. Bach

Craig A. Penfield

Thank you for worshiping with us!



2024 Sunday School for Adults

Sunday 9:15-10:15 AM

The Dangerous Journey...Study of John Bunyan's Book, The Pilgrim's Progress

Facilitators: Kurt Mueller, Jim Schulz

Location: Room 8

The Pilgrim's Progress is the story of a man who is seeking to find his way to heaven. Written by John Bunyan, probably in the early months of 1676, it represents the Christian life as a journey, a quest for salvation. Pilgrim's Progress is the 2nd most widely read book in the world, after the Bible, it has stood the test of time and is still relevant even though written nearly 338 years ago.

As we set off on our journey to read and discuss The Pilgrim's Progress, we will soon discover that Bunyan's book is a portal through which we have entered into a world full of adventure. With every turn of the page, you will encounter intriguing and colorful characters, imaginative places, and engaging drama punctuated with some of the most enlightening and life-transforming dialogue ever penned.

Please plan to join us for our kickoff/introduction class on Sunday, August 11. John Musselman, who re-wrote and published our modern English version of the book, will be there to help us start our Dangerous Journey.



Women's Sunday Morning Bible Study - Galatians by NT Wright

Facilitators: Eileen Mittleider, Kristi Story, JoAnn Gotschall, Cathy Shuman, Rachel Buhler

Location: Room 12

Paul's project, he often says, is building--not building with bricks and mortar but rather with people. He lays the foundation with the shockingly good news of one true God who raised Jesus from the dead, in order to build a new family with no divisions, all of whom can call God Father. In a world of widespread ethnic rivalry and cutting divisiveness, Paul's strong corrective message in Galatians demands to be heard and reheard.



Growing Christian Families Sunday School Class

Facilitator: The Rev. Tom Pumphrey **Location:** Room 6

(for parents of newborns - 12th graders)

Grounding your family in God can be a daunting task. What steps can you take to cultivate Christian character & virtue and devotion to God in your family in this busy time of your lives? Come explore the challenges and blessings to be found as a family in Christ. This is especially for parents with little kids, but more experienced parents are welcome too, so that we can learn from each other and anticipate what is ahead in the teen years and beyond. None of us is perfect and we can all find God in the mess!



Brotherhood of St. Andrew

Facilitators: Justin Streeter, John Patton, Darron Kendrick, Chuck Matheson, & Will Weidman

Location: Hybrid (Garden Room/Zoom) **Time:** Every Other Saturday 8 AM

All men are invited to meet with us every other Saturday for fellowship and Bible study of the Sunday Gospel reading. Contact: Justin Streeter.





What are Foyer Groups? Foyer Groups are dinner groups of 6 to 8 adults that meet monthly. Foyer Groups provide opportunity to meet others in the church around a shared meal, and are a fabulous, informal means to become better acquainted with fellow parishioners.

Foyer Groups are not intended to do anything, but simply a place to be who you are with one another, gathered in homes, and sharing a meal so that friendship may grow.

If you are interested in participating in this next Foyer Group in the Fall, please contact **Anne Wright** at anneterrywright@yahoo.com.

What are the origins? The English word Foyer is derived from foier - French term for hearthside and projects an image of warmth and comfort. For generations Americans have welcomed old friends, family members and newcomers into our homes by gathering to celebrate special occasions, enjoy times of fellowship and share moments of camaraderie. Our Church has for many years encouraged small informal Parish gatherings called Foyer Groups; small, close-knit groups of parishioners sharing a common bond of Christian love and concern for one another.



Events & Announcements for the Week of August 18

Our Mission is Growing Disciples of Jesus Christ.

The Stained Glass of St. Peter & St. Paul Coffee Table Book – The book is here and ready to distribute! And what's even better is the cost of the book is \$30 instead of the original \$50! Books will be available for pickup on Saturday, August 17th after the 5:30 service, and Sunday, August 18th after the 8am (Narthex) & 10:30 services during coffee hour in the Parish Hall. Many of you have already reserved a book and you can pay for them online at bit.ly/spspbook. Bring your emailed receipt when picking up your book(s). You may also pay by cash or check on the day of pickup. We have extra books so if you did not pre-reserve we should be able to accommodate you! We are unable to ship books. If you are unable to make the pickup dates after service, stop by the church office Monday – Thursday from 10am-3pm.

God has a vision for us as a Christian Community, empowered by the Holy Spirit, active in:

Worship of God

Tuesday Prayer in the Sanctuary – Join us every Tuesday at 2pm as we pray for the needs and concerns of our Parish. We will meet in the north side altar of the sanctuary. Please contact Camie Schade if you have any questions.

Family Eucharist – Thursday, August 29th @ 5:30pm – Join us for dinner and an informal communion service in the Parish Hall. This is for young and old, with kids and without kids, married or single. This is a relaxed way to gather and praise the Lord. Eucharist service at 5:30, then dinner with dessert following. Kids are welcome for the service, but Nursery care will be available for those who wish to use it.

Come sing or ring with our Choirs! We would love to share the fun and growth of helping to lead worship. Contact George Chesnut to learn more about the Children's Choir (2nd – 5th grades, rehearses Wednesdays at 6 PM), Youth Choir (6th -12th grades, rehearses Sundays at 4 PM), Adult Choir (rehearses Wednesdays at 7:30 PM), and the Handbell Choir (rehearses Wednesdays at 6:30 PM).

Discipleship for All Ages

Foyer Dinner Groups - Foyer dinner groups are groups of 6-8 adults, 21 years or older, who simply gather monthly to share a meal and fellowship so friendships can grow. Sign up at www.peterandpaul.org/foyergroups or contact Anne Wright to learn more!

Teaching Seminar: Taking God at His Word – Brandon Dasinger will be teaching a seminar called “Taking God at His Word.” His hope is to give us some tools that can help us read, understand, and apply the Bible to our everyday lives. This workshop is for all ages and there is no cost or need to sign up. Just show up this afternoon! 3pm – 4:30pm -Brandon

Serving Christ in the World

Planned Giving - Have you remembered St. Peter & St. Paul in your will? If so, we would like to know. We are accumulating the names of these future donors so that they can be recognized, if they would like, as founding members of the Arches Society, St. Peter and St. Paul's legacy organization. We call these financial arrangements “planned giving” because they involve a method for distributing assets in the future. Most often, these gifts are made through provisions for St. Peter & St. Paul in the estate of a person or a family. Anyone can make a planned gift and all are equally welcomed. Planned gifts can be in any dollar amount or a percentage of assets. They can be as simple as naming St. Peter & St. Paul as a beneficiary of a life insurance policy. Planned giving is an act of stewardship showing our love for Jesus Christ and all that He has generously given to us. Please contact JoAnn Gotschall at tjgotschall@comcast.net or 678-232-1892 if you have remembered the church in your will or if you would like to hear more information about how you could remember the church in the future.

Fall/Winter Kids Consignment Sale - We are getting set for our Fall/Winter consignment sale the weekend after Labor Day 2024. We'd love to see some of our Parish family volunteer their time during the sale. We would love to get to know you and for you to get to know the moms and grandmoms, aunts and friends in our community. Visit <http://spspkids.com> to sign up as a "WORKER" for this sale. Please email spspkidssale@gmail.com with any questions.



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