

Welcome to St. Paul's Episcopal Church

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***The Fourth Sunday After Pentecost
July 6, 2025***



Mission Statement

We are a worshipping, inquiring and inclusive community united in Jesus' name to change the world.

Welcoming Statement

We invite everyone to join in the communal life of the body of Christ, through participation and leadership in this congregation, and by fully sharing in the life and sacraments of this church. We affirm that each person is a child of God, and that those of every race, ethnicity, creed, age, gender, marital status, physical or mental ability, sexual orientation and gender identity are called to be one with us.

Prelude

Chuck Sheaffer

Opening Hymn #495 "Hail, thou once despised Jesus"

Blessed be God: Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit

Glory to God for ever and ever.

Gloria

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy

on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you

Let us pray.

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

The first lesson is from Isaiah 66:10-14

Thus says the LORD:

"Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her,
all you who love her;

rejoice with her in joy,
all you who mourn over her--

that you may nurse and be satisfied
from her consoling breast;

that you may drink deeply with delight
from her glorious bosom.

For thus says the LORD:

I will extend prosperity to her like a river,
and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream;

and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm,
and dandled on her knees.

As a mother comforts her child,
so I will comfort you;
you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice;
your bodies shall flourish like the grass;

and it shall be known that the hand of the LORD is with his servants,
and his indignation is against his enemies."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 66:1-8



- 1 Be joyful in God, all you lands; *
sing the glory of his Name;
sing the glory of his praise.
- 2 Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! *
because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you.
- 3 All the earth bows down before you, *
sings to you, sings out your Name."
- 4 Come now and see the works of God, *
how wonderful he is in his doing toward all people.
- 5 He turned the sea into dry land,
so that they went through the water on foot, *
and there we rejoiced in him.
- 6 In his might he rules for ever;
his eyes keep watch over the nations; *
let no rebel rise up against him.
- 7 Bless our God, you peoples; *
make the voice of his praise to be heard;
- 8 Who holds our souls in life, *
and will not allow our feet to slip.

The second reading is from Galatians 6:1-16

My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. Bear one another's

burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. For all must carry their own loads.

Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher.

Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest-time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised-- only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule-- peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn #470 "There's a wideness in God's Mercy"

*The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 10: 1-11,
16-20*

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.'

"Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."

The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon: Fr. Brian Dawson

Stillness - the prayer bowl rings to take us in and out of a time of stillness and reflection.

The Prayers of the People

Reconciliation

The Deacon calls us to confession.

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence.

**God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in
each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created.**

**We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.**

**Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love and serve only your will.**

Amen.

The Priest proclaims God's forgiveness.

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

Lord make us instruments of your peace.

**Where there is hatred, let us sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is discord, union;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.**

**Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to con-
sole;**

**to be understood as to understand;
to be loved as to love.**

**For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are
pardoned;
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.**

Blessings and Celebrations

Birthday Prayer

**God of joy and celebration, we thank you for the precious gift of
life and for the unique journey that each day brings. As this(ese)
your servant(s) celebrate(s) another year of life, we pray for your
abundant blessings to be upon them. May your grace continue to
guide and shape their paths, filling their days with love, purpose,
and joy. Amen**

Anniversary Prayer

**Blessed are you, O God, for in the good and the bad times of our
life you have stood lovingly by our sides.
Bless those whose anniversaries we acknowledge this day.
May they remain faithful and loving so that we may be true wit-
nesses to the covenant you have made with us all. Amen.**

Prayer for Those We Love

**Gracious God, we entrust all who are dear to us to your never-
failing care and love, for this life and the life to come, knowing
that you want for us all better things than we can desire or pray
for; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Offertory Hymn #593 “Lord, make us instruments of your peace”

Doxology

The Great Thanksgiving

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.

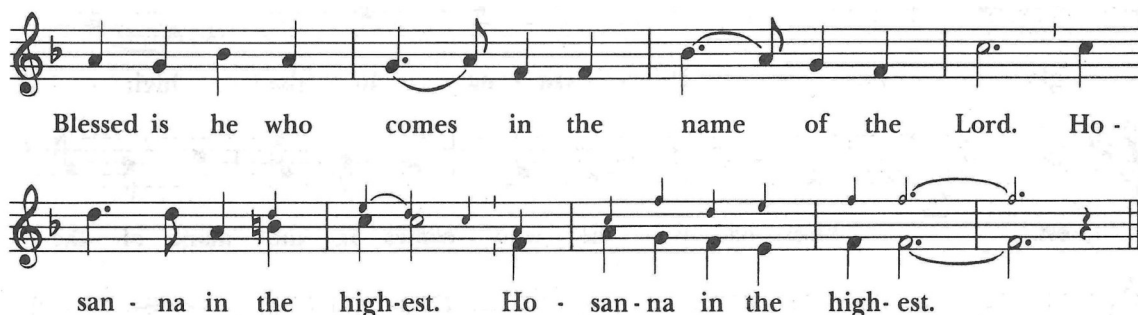
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Proper Preface for Easter

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Setting: From *A Community Mass*; Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

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 faith:

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.

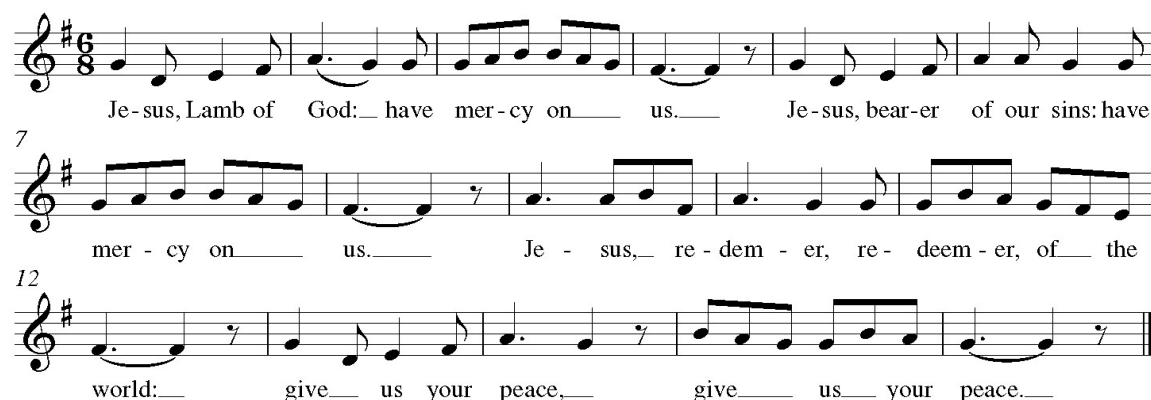
Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your 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. *Amen.*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing,

Our Fa-ther who art in hea-ven, Hal-lowed be thy Name, Thy king-dom
come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in hea-ven. Give us this day our
dai-ly bread. For-give us our tres-pas-ses, As we for-give those who tres-pass a-gainst us,
as we for-give. And lead us not in-to temp-ta-tion, but de-li-ver us from
e-vil. Thine is the king-dom and the pow-er and the
glo-ry for-ev-er. A-men

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia



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.

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Gluten free wafers are available. If you want just a blessing, please come to the altar rail and cross your arms over your body.

Communion Hymn Levas #317 “This is the hour of banquet and of song”

Extending Our Eucharistic Gathering

A representative of the parish’s Eucharistic Visitors comes forward to receive the bread and wine reserved for those who are sick or otherwise unable to join us in person.

In the name of us all at St Paul’s Episcopal Church, we send our Eucharistic Visitors forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom they go may share with us in this Holy Communion of Christ’s body and blood. May they with whom these gifts are shared remain bound to us, and we to them.

We who are many are one body, for we all share one bread, one cup.

Post Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

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.

Blessing

Closing Hymn #410 “Praise, my soul, the King of heaven”

Go now to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

We go in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude

Chuck Sheaffer

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Coffee Hour-Parish Hall following Worship

Enjoy coffee or tea and something delicious each week in the Parish Hall.

Spend a little time getting to know your Christian brothers and sisters before heading out to enjoy your Sunday.

SJRAISE-Immigration Assistance in EDSJ

This year we are supporting Interfaith Movement for Human Integrity. The box labelled SJRaise will be available to receive donations through July 13.

July 9, 6:30 pm-Conversation reviewing Beyond Welcome by Karen Gonzalez
Questions? Contact Canon Anna, canonanna@diosanjoaquin.org, and the Diocesan website, diosanjoaquin.org, Friday Reflection for the ZOOM links.

Walking with Benedict- Summer Retreat

Fr. Brian is offering a one-day retreat, July 12th, 9 am-3 pm at St. Paul's. The retreat will focus on explaining the spiritual life through the work and words of St. Benedict. Add your details to the sheet in the church narthex, or email Fr. Brian for more information, FrBrianDawson@gmail.com.

****Join Us for Noonday Prayer****

We extend a warm invitation to join us for the weekly Noonday Prayer service, held every Tuesday at noon in the Guadalupe Chapel in the parish hall.

Our Noonday Prayer service offers a brief yet meaningful opportunity for worship, reflection, and communal prayer. Lasting just a short while, it's a perfect chance to step away from the rush of our schedules and center ourselves in the presence of God.

In addition to our time of prayer, we will also take a moment to read the readings for the upcoming Sunday. This allows us to prepare our hearts and minds for the messages and lessons that will be shared during our Sunday service. It's a chance to delve deeper into the Word, to ponder its significance, and to consider how it speaks to our lives today.

Contact Sarah Hartmann, 215-917-8477, with any questions.

We invite you to join us for Noonday Prayer. Come as you are, and let us journey together in faith.



Prayer and Praise

Remember those who have asked for our prayers

Deacon George, Paige, Susan, Robin, Priscella, Loretta, Bonnie, Clare, Michael, Susan, Ishmael, Mary, Bob, Howard, JoHanna, Cherie, Annamary, Ginny, Keith, Brett, Bill, Katharine, Marissas, Cammie, Roy, Judy, Mike, Kathy, Jose, Anna, Rex, Lora, Al, Tom, Susie, Hugh, Elizabeth, Esmeralda, Caelie, Hennie, Janice, Susie, Joey, Erin, Kevin, Jeremy

Those who have passed away:

Elaine Paradis
Mary Kinnaman
Olga Lorenzetti
Susan Tupper
Anna VandePol
Bob Servalli

Those in the Military:

CPT Sam Birch, USA
CPT Fred Campbell, USAF
CPT Jenavieve Campbell, USAF
PO1st Class Johnny Olmos, US Coast Guard
SGT Carson Repan, USAF
LTC Nathaniel P. Wallace, USAFR

Leaders and Ministries of St. Paul's:

The Clergy, Vestry & Wardens & Knit One, Pray Two



The flowers at the altar today
are given to
The Glory of God by the Bolig Family in Honor of
Grandma Leslie's Birthday

THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE DIOCESE
ANNOUNCES SLATE OF NOMINEES for
6th BISHOP OF SAN JOAQUIN

The nominees in alphabetical order are:

**The Reverend Canon Anna Carmichael Ph.D., Canon to the Ordinary,
Episcopal Diocese of San Joaquin, California**

**The Reverend Robert Keim, Rector, St. Barnabas Episcopal Church,
Arroyo Grande, California**

**The Reverend Dr. Greg Kimura, Rector, St. James' Episcopal Church,
South Pasadena, California**

**The Reverend Canon Shawn Wamsley, Canon to the Ordinary, Diocese
of Pennsylvania**

**Biographical information, professional documents, written responses to
a series of questions, a video of a favorite sermon, and a video featur-
ing a short introduction from each of the nominees is available through
the Diocesan website, www.diosanjoaquin.org/bishop-search.**

July 2025 Ministry Schedule

Dates	July 6th	July 13 th	July 20 th	July 27th
Clergy	Fr. Brian	Fr. Brian	Fr. Brian	Fr. Brian
Acolytes	Judy T. Joyce B. Gabe T.	Nancy S. Jim P.	Judy T. Nancy S. Evelyn	Nancy S. Alex S. Carlos M.
Eucharis- tic Minis-	Linda L.	Sarah H.	Rex	Stephanie G.
Lectors	Judy T. Linda L.	Stephanie H- W.	Barbara V. Theresa G.	Alex S. Stephanie G.
Intercessor	Courtney S.	Sarah H.	Joyce B.	Ann M.
Ushers	Courtney S. Phil M.	Claudine R. David L.	Phil M. Car- olyn L.	Greg B. David L.
Greeters	Courtney S. Phil M.	Claudine R. Sarah H.	Phil M. Lynelle H.	Greg B. Ann M.
Vestry Rep.	Courtney S.	Sarah H.	Joyce B.	Ann M.
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Joyce Bell, Lora Burnett, Jose Cruz, Sarah Hartmann, Peter Krewko, Luis Martinez, Ann Mootz, Chuck Sheaffer, Nancy Silva, and Courtney Smith.

Treasurer: Greg Burnett

Vestry Clerk: Carolyn List



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Then click on videos.

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