# ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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Blended Holy Eucharist Service 10:00 a.m.

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The Rt. Rev. Elizabeth Gardner Bishop of Nevada

# Welcome to All

**Meeting ID:** 824 1236 4013 **Password:** 308693

St. Paul's is a theologically diverse community seeking to embrace their diversity in order to live through the Gospel of Jesus Christ and be a place of learning and belonging for all people.

# Kid's Area

Located on the south side of the church is a special area where there are some coloring materials which can be used there or at other places in the church. Please return these supplies to their baskets following worship.

# Wine, Grape Juice, and Gluten Free

We offer both wine and grape juice during Communion as well as a gluten-free wafer option. The chalice with the grape juice will be identified. All chalices are intinction only.

If you are in need of a gluten-free Communion wafer, mention it to the priest when you come up, and you will be offered one.

# Prayers for Healing and Laying on of Hands

On Sundays when a Healing Minister is present, they will offer special prayers for healing immediately after receiving Communion. They will be located at the stools on the south wall in the back of the church. All prayers are kept confidential.

# **Guests and Visitors**

We are especially pleased to have you here with us today. Please take the time to sign the guest book

Welcome Wagon near the south entrance.

located on the

If you have any questions about St. Paul's or the Episcopal Church, please don't hesitate to visit with one of our clergy, either today or during the week.

### **Helpful Hints for Receiving Holy Communion**

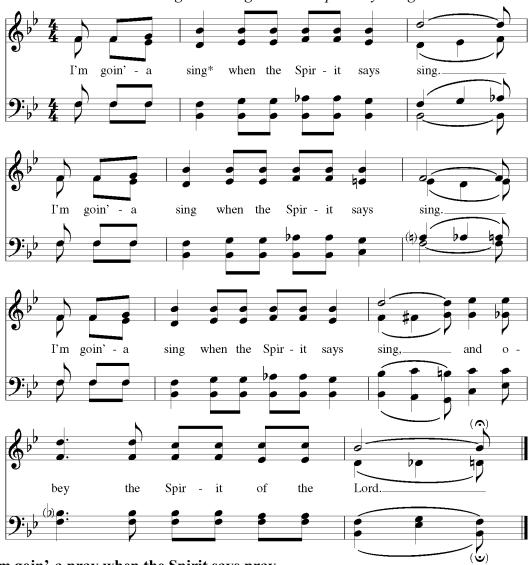
- Everyone is invited to receive Holy Communion. Everyone!
- The usher will let you know when it is time for your row to go up.
- Watch the people in front of you to get the flow of things.
- When you come up for communion, the priest will place the bread on your open palm. You may then proceed to the chalice and dip (intinct) the edge of the wafer in the grape juice or wine.
- Please do not drink from the cup. Intinction only.
- There is a designated chalice on the north side, that has **grape juice**.
- If you desire Holy Communion but are unable to walk up to receive it, please notify an usher. They will inform the clergy of your request, and the clergy will gladly bring Holy Communion to you in your seat.

**PRELUDE:** Praise Team "As We Gather"

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Please stand as you are able.

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN:** "I'm goin'-a sing when the Spirit says sing" LEVaS II #117



(Verse 2) I'm goin'-a pray when the Spirit says pray.....

(Verse 3) I'm goin'-a shout when the Spirit says shout.....

(Verse 4) I'm goin'-a sing when the Spirit says sing.....

## **OPENING ACCLAMATION**

Presider: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

#### THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Presider: 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.** 

**SONG OF PRAISE:** Praise Team "Every Time I Feel the Spirit"

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

O God, who on this day taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; 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.** 

All Sit

#### THE FIRST LESSON Genesis 11:1-9

Lector: A reading from the Book of Genesis.

Now the whole earth had one language and the same

words. And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. And the Lord said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. Therefore it was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

Lector: The Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

## PSALM 104:25-35, 37

Lector: We will now read a portion of Psalm 104 responsively by whole verse.

Lector: O Lord, how manifold are your works! \* in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

People: Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many to number, \* creatures both small and great.

There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan, \* which you have made for the sport of it.

# All of them look to you \* to give them their food in due season.

You give it to them; they gather it; \* you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

You hide your face, and they are terrified; \* you take away their breath, and they die and return to their dust.

You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; \* and so you renew the face of the earth.

May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; \* may the Lord rejoice in all his works.

He looks at the earth and it trembles; \* he touches the mountains and they smoke.

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; \*
I will praise my God while I have my being.

May these words of mine please him; \* I will rejoice in the Lord.

Bless the Lord, O my soul. \* Hallelujah!

# THE SECOND LESSON Acts 2:1-21

*Lector:* A reading from the Acts of the Apostles. Reader: And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven. Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own language. And they were all amazed and marveled, saying one to another, Behold, are not all these which speak Galilaeans? And how hear we every man in our own tongue, wherein we were born? Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and the dwellers in Mesopotamia, and in Judaea, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Asia, Phrygia, and Pamphylia, in Egypt, and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews and proselytes, Cretes and Arabians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God. And they were all amazed, and were in doubt, saying one to another, What meaneth this? Others mocking said, These men are full of new wine. But Peter, standing up with the eleven, lifted up his voice, and said unto them,

Reader and other language speakers: Ye men of Judaea, and all ye that dwell at Jerusalem, be this known unto you, and hearken to my words: For these are not drunken, as ye suppose, seeing it is but the third hour of the day. But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel; And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams: And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy: And I will shew wonders in heaven above, and signs in the earth beneath; blood, and fire, and vapour of smoke: The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and notable day of the Lord come: And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Lector: The Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.



THE GOSPEL John 14:8-17, 25-27

Minister: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ

according to John.

**People:** Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Philip said to Jesus, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it. "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive,

because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you." "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid."

Minister: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**THE SERMON** The Rev. Kris Gallagher *A period of silent reflection follows the sermon.* 

THE NICENE CREED (Said in unison)

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.

Please be seated.

#### SPECIAL PRAYERS AND BLESSINGS

Please stand as you are able.

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Ever living and ever loving God,

Light a spark within us

People: and fill our hearts with holy fire.

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit, take and transform our societies that broken people find healing; that lonely people find love; that bitter people find peace; that fearful people find hope. Light a spark within us

People: and fill our hearts with holy fire.

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit,

take our world's leaders and governments and

bring renewal—

that communication can be open;

that relationships between hostile people and hostile

nations will evaporate;

that a hunger for justice addresses those who hunger for During this time we make an offering to the church for

food and are in need of housing.

Light a spark within us

People: and fill our hearts with holy fire.

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit,

fill your Church—

that our worship will be ever more pleasing to you; that prayers will change our minds instead of

trying to get you to change yours;

that our lives will make a real difference to real people in the real world.

Light a spark within us

People: and fill our hearts with holy fire.

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit,

fill our lives with an awareness of your presence so that more and more each day, all that we do, say, and hope for will be an act of worship to you and an expression of love to others.

Light a spark within us

People: and fill our hearts with holy fire.

#### CONCLUDING COLLECT

Presider: Generous God, you sent your Holy Spirit to rest upon the disciples like tongues of fire within a mighty rushing wind: In your mercy, breathe upon us that same Spirit and fill our lungs with a holy spark to ignite in us the light of our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Presider: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. [Pause]

Presider and People:

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.

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

#### THE PEACE

*Presider:* The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Offer on another some sign of Christ's peace.

#### THE OFFERING

its mission and it is also a time in which we fully offer ourselves to be Christ in the world around us.

If mailing in an offering, please remit to: St. Paul's Episcopal Church

P.O. Box 737, Sparks, NV 89432 Or online at www.StPaulssparks.org:

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Scan with your smart phone camera
to give secure and "contact free" donations.



#### **OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

Please stand as you are able.

THE PRESENTATION SONG: Praise Team

"Give Thanks"

#### PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

Presider: All things come of thee O Lord.

**People:** And of thine own have we given thee.

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Prayer A

Presider: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

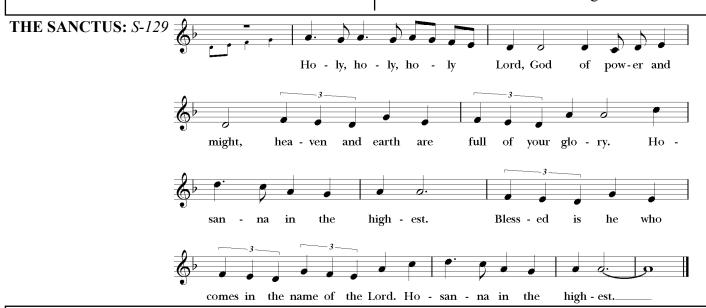
Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

The Presider continues...

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our

voices with all creation as we sing:



The people remain standing.

The Presider continues...

The prayer concludes with...

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.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider: As our Savior Christ has taught us we now pray.

People and Presider:

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 for ever. Amen.

# THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Presider: Alleluia!

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**People:** Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

## THE INVITATION

**COMMUNION SONG: Praise Team** 

"I want to walk as a child..."

#### COMMUNION TO THE PEOPLE

If you are new to receiving Holy Communion, there are some helpful hints on the front page.

#### THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

(Said in unison)

Please stand as you are able.

# God of Love,

now that you have blessed our hearts with your sacred meal, we pray you to extend your Holy Spirit

on our words and actions, so we may spread the awareness of your grace in all that we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### THE BLESSING

The priest blesses the congregation with this or another blessing.

May the Spirit,

who set the Church on fire upon the Day of Pentecost, bring the world alive with the love of the risen Christ.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

**RECESSIONAL SONG** Praise Team "Shine Jesus Shine"

#### THE DISMISSAL

Minister: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! \*

\* The double Alleluias are specifically used during the fifty days of Easter through Pentecost.

**POSTLUDE:** "Awesome God"

A contribution to the

**Altar Flowers** 

has been given to the glory of God

in love and blessings for the graduation of our grandchildren Lily and Noah; each uniquely different, but equally very special

by Doug & Sandy Houston

A contribution to the Altar Flowers, Bread & Wine, and Ambry Light

has been given to the glory of God in thanksgiving for safe travel

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Margaret's birthday

by

Dan & Margaret Bouzek

### Feed the Hungry!

Due to recent federal and state cuts of \$6 million and approximately 3.5 million pounds of commodity foods, the poor and hungry of our region desperately need our help.

Here are two ways you can feed the hungry in our area:

#### The Food Bank of N. NV:

Become a monthly contributor to the FBNN. Go to **fbnn.org** 

They provide food for the hungry in Sparks and throughout Northern Nevada.

# The Community Food Pantry:

You can also make a local impact by becoming a monthly contributor to the CFP.

Go to www.thecommunity foodpantryrenosparks.com

#### **Help Wanted**

Our bulletin boards are in need of "refreshing". Do you have a talent for making a display on a bulletin board? Do you have an artistic eye for making them look interesting? If so, please contact Kathie Dixon, Junior Warden

# Creation Care Committee TODAY!!

In the Youth Room at 11:30 after the service. Bring a book to review for future discussion. Karl will bring his postcards and show us how he is responding to our elected leaders in Congress. We will have a continuing discussion on outreach and advocacy.

# Mass at the Lake

Save the date: July 19, 2025
A celebration at Galilee for the Sierra Deanery
The team at Camp Galilee has graciously invited us to
enjoy a deanery-wide play day at Camp on July 19th,
and you're invited!

Camp opens for recreation at 10 AM, a noon lunch of burgers and hot dogs - we'll all bring salads, desserts, and drinks to share - and the bishop will be on hand to celebrate Eucharist at 1:30

More information to come!

















