



# St. Paul's Episcopal Church

*Seeking to see and serve Christ in all persons*

**The First Sunday after Pentecost: Trinity Sunday**

**May 30, 2021 • 10:30 AM**

**Holy Eucharist, Rite Two**

*The service begins on page 355 of The Book of Common Prayer. The service is printed here in its entirety.*

**The Opening Hymn**

*Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty*  
Hymnal 362

**The Liturgy of the Word**

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

*The People say together*

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.*

**The Gloria**

Hymnal S 280

**The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* And also with you.  
*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

O Judge of the nations, we remember before you with grateful hearts the men and women of our country who in the day of decision ventured much for the liberties we now enjoy. Grant that we may not rest until all the people of this land share in the benefits of true freedom and gladly accept its disciplines. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*All may be seated.*

### **The First Lesson: Isaiah 6:1-8**

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;  
the whole earth is full of his glory.”

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: “Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!”

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: “Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.” Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I; send me!”

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

### **The Psalm: 29**

- 1 Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, \*  
    ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name; \*  
    worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.
- 3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;  
    the God of glory thunders; \*  
    the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; \*  
    the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.
- 5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; \*  
    the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, \*  
    and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- 7 The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire;  
    the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; \*  
    the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe \*  
    and strips the forests bare.

- 9 And in the temple of the Lord \*  
all are crying, "Glory!"
- 10 The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; \*  
the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore.
- 11 The Lord shall give strength to his people; \*  
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

**The Second Reading: Romans 8:12-17**

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

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

**The Sequence Hymn**

*Come, thou Almighty King*  
Hymnal 365

**The Holy Gospel: John 3:1-17**

*Celebrant*        The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.  
*People*            Glory to you, Lord Christ.

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

*Celebrant*     The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*         Praise to you, Lord Christ.

### **The Sermon**

The Rev. Hazel Smith Glover

*A period of silence is kept.*

### **The Nicene Creed**

BCP 358

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 — Form III**

*Intercessor*    Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
*People*            *That we all may be one.*

*Intercessor*    Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
*People*            *That your Name may be glorified by all people.*

*Intercessor*    We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
*People*            *That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.*

*Intercessor*    We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
*People*            *That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

*Intercessor*    Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
*People*            *That our works may find favor in your sight.*

*Intercessor*    Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
*People*            *That they may be delivered from their distress.*

*Intercessor* Give to the departed eternal rest, especially: Judy Causey.  
*People* *Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

*Intercessor* We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
*People* *May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

*Intercessor* Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. We pray for those on our prayer list, especially: Alan, Ted. We give thanks for those who celebrate birthdays this week, especially: Cathy, Renee, Alice Ann, Rosetta, Karin, Anne, Terri.

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

### **The Peace**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People* And also with you.

### **The Holy Communion**

#### **The Offertory**

#### **The Great Thanksgiving**

Eucharistic Prayer A  
BCP 361

*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 our God.  
*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. For with your co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, you are one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Being; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of you, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.. 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 Sanctus**

Hymnal S 125

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 for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and 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. Amen.

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

*People and Celebrant*

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**

*A period of silence is kept.*

**The Fraction Anthem**

Hymnal S 154

**The Communion Hymn**

*Let all mortal flesh keep silence*  
Hymnal 324

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## **The Blessing**

## **The Closing Hymn**

*God of our fathers, whose almighty hand*  
Hymnal 718

## **The Dismissal**

*Celebrant*     Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
*People*        Thanks be to God.

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### ***Remember in your prayers:***

We pray for those with ongoing concerns: Roxanne Wallis, Malcolm Velasca, Kiran Force, Alice Magnan, Annie Bulford, Margaret Crary, Trina Hall, Tyler Chapman, Anna Endres, Kimberly Leitch, Candy Waldron, Kirk Goodell, Bo Warren, Brittany Jones, Ralph Hajosy, Jeff Lawhead, Billy Newman, Joan Kelley.

We pray for those with timely concerns: Jamie Sheddon, Charles Daniel, Peter Funnell, Frances Lemieux, Alan D. Harris, Reverend Ted Atwood.

We pray for the members of the Vestry: Jennifer, Nicole, Philip, Frankey, Mark, Geoff, Renee, Heather, Virginia, Jennifer; the Clergy and Staff: Hazel, Mason, Lesley, Dawn, Elisabeth, Mary Margaret, Kimberly, Cole.

We pray for members of our armed services and their families: Phil Kearney, Kevin Bradley, Joe Clay, Tom Choate, Linda Boyce, Dariel Johnson, Sean McGraw, Steven Puckett, Bill Tudor, Jr., Scott Woodward, Luke White, Tommy White, Zach Simkins, Jacob Britt, Morgen Davis, Luke Eason, Michael Rafferty, David Norwood, Arron Essex, Adam Harrison, Sam Vermilyea, Charles Mathews, Nick Watts, Cameron Everett, Lanier Sealy, Beau Massenburg.

We give thanks for the lives of those celebrating birthdays this week: Cathy Sandlin, Renee Powell, Alice Ann Massenburg, Rosetta Cass, Karin Francis, Anne Berry, Terri Barker.

We pray for those who have died: Judy Causey, cousin of Cleo Ward. *Rest eternal grant to her, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon her. Amen.*

## *Parish Notices*

**Healing Service** -- Healing Services with Holy Eucharist will resume on Wednesday mornings at 11:00 a.m. beginning June 2, 2021. Services will be held in the transept; people may enter through the narthex.

**Prayer Requests** -- Prayer requests for the parish prayer list or the confidential Daughters of the King prayer list may be submitted online at <https://tinyurl.com/stpprayers> or you may also contact Hazel+ directly.

**Financial Gifts** -- To continue to give financially to St. Paul's as well as contribute to the rector's discretionary fund or our Peace and Purpose campaign during this time, you may mail a check to the church, set up one-time or regular payments via your bank, or make an online payment via credit card. Please visit <http://www.stpaulsnewnan.org/give/> for detailed instructions.

**Altar Flower Dedications** – A lovely way to remember a loved one or celebrate an anniversary or birthday is to donate the altar flowers for that special day. The cost of the arrangements is \$50 per Sunday and an announcement will be placed in the bulletin commemorating the day and the donor(s). To sign up for a particular Sunday, please contact Lesley Williams at 770-253-4264 or [admin@stpaulsnewnan.org](mailto:admin@stpaulsnewnan.org).

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