



# St. Paul's Episcopal Church

*Seeking to see and serve Christ in all persons*

**Winter Preaching Series**  
**January 29, 2023 • 10:30 AM**  
**Holy Eucharist Rite II**

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

**The Opening Hymn**

*All Creatures of our God and King*  
Hymnal 400

**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

*Children ages 4-10 are invited to follow the Children's Cross to attend the Children's Chapel, returning during the Peace.*

**The Collect of the Day**

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

O heavenly Father, who has filled the world with beauty: Open our eyes to behold your gracious hand in all your works; that, rejoicing in the whole creation, we may learn to serve you with gladness; for the sake of him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### **The First Lesson — Genesis 8:1-12**

But God remembered Noah and all the wild animals and all the domestic animals that were with him in the ark. And God made a wind blow over the earth, and the waters subsided; the fountains of the deep and the windows of the heavens were closed, the rain from the heavens was restrained, and the waters gradually receded from the earth. At the end of one hundred fifty days the waters had abated; and in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, the ark came to rest on the mountains of Ararat. The waters continued to abate until the tenth month; in the tenth month, on the first day of the month, the tops of the mountains appeared.

At the end of forty days Noah opened the window of the ark that he had made and sent out the raven; and it went to and fro until the waters were dried up from the earth. Then he sent out the dove from him, to see if the waters had subsided from the face of the ground; but the dove found no place to set its foot, and it returned to him to the ark, for the waters were still on the face of the whole earth. So he put out his hand and took it and brought it into the ark with him. He waited another seven days, and again he sent out the dove from the ark; and the dove came back to him in the evening, and there in its beak was a freshly plucked olive leaf; so Noah knew that the waters had subsided from the earth. Then he waited another seven days, and sent out the dove; and it did not return to him any more.

*Lector*        The Word of the Lord.

*People*        *Thanks be to God.*

### **The Psalm — 121**

*The psalm is sung by the choir.*

1 I lift up my eyes to the hills; \*

    from where is my help to come?

2 My help comes from the Lord, \*

    the maker of heaven and earth.

3 He will not let your foot be moved \*

    and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.

- 4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel \*  
shall neither slumber nor sleep;
- 5 The Lord himself watches over you; \*  
the Lord is your shade at your right hand,
- 6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day, \*  
nor the moon by night.
- 7 The Lord shall preserve you from all evil; \*  
it is he who shall keep you safe.
- 8 The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in, \*  
from this time forth for evermore.

### **The Second Reading — Romans 8:14-17**

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**

*Called as partners in Christ's service*

*See insert for lyrics*

### **The Holy Gospel — Mark 1:1-13**

*Celebrant*    The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

*People*        Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. As it is written in the prophet Isaiah, "See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way; the voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

‘Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make his paths straight,’ ”

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**The Sermon:** Partners in Mission

Guest Preacher, Dr. Mark Douglas

### **The Nicene Creed**

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 VI**

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Lector For all people in their daily life and work;

*People For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.*

Lector For this community, the nation, and the world;

*People For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.*

Lector For the just and proper use of your creation;

*People For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.*

Lector For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

*People For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.*

Lector For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

*People For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.*

Lector For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; and Rob, our Bishop; and for Hazel, our priest, and for all bishops and other ministers;

*People For all who serve God in his Church.*

For those celebrating birthdays this week, especially Kep, Kate, Dan, Anne, Sofia, Trip, Lucas, and Ken.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation and all those on our prayer list.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions*

Lector Hear us, Lord;

*People For your mercy is great.*

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own thanksgivings*

Lector      We will exalt you, O God our King;  
People      *And praise your Name for ever and ever.*

We pray for all who have died that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions*

Lector      Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;  
People      *Who put their trust in you.*

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Leader and People*

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### **The Absolution**

*Celebrant*

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**

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

## The Holy Communion

### The Offertory Anthem

*Prayer of St. Francis*  
Rene Clausen

### The Presentation Hymn

*Earth and all stars*  
Hymnal 412

### The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer C

*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.*

*Celebrant* God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

*People* *Glory to you for ever and ever.*

*Celebrant* At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

*People* *By your will they were created and have their being.*

*Celebrant* From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

*People* *Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.*

*Celebrant* Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

*People* *By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.*

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

## The Sanctus

Hymnal S 129

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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.”

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

*Celebrant and People*

**We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

*Celebrant* Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

*People* *Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.*

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

## The Great Amen

Hymnal S 146



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

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.*

*Holy Communion is offered via the common cup for sipping or intinction (dipping the wafer into the wine). Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.*

### **The Fraction Anthem**

Hymnal S 154

### **The Communion Anthem**

*The Lord Bless You and Keep You*  
Peter Lutkin

### **The Communion Hymn**

*All things bright and beautiful*  
Hymnal 405

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

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.*

### **The Blessing**

### **The Closing Hymn**

*Joyful, joyful, we adore thee*  
Hymnal 376

### **The Dismissal**

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***Remember in your prayers:***

A Prayer for Love (From The Daughters of the King): Bless us with Love, O Merciful God; That we may love as you love. That we may show patience, tolerance, kindness, caring, and love to all. Bless us with your love.

We pray for those with timely concerns: Alice Jakubiak, Elisabeth Stubbs, Bo Warren, Debra Bull, George Robinson, Ronnie Peoples, Mike Maus, Gordon Salisbury, Rev. Joe Pennington, Anne Petrey, Debbie Brown, Damar Hamlin, Amaya Wills, Frankey Henderson, Ramsey Hopkins.

We pray for those with ongoing concerns: Brink Howard, Wendy Llosa, William Partridge, David Bottoms, Greg Parsons, Melody Wegienka, Robin Carroll, Melanie Patton, Father Bruno, Ed Sergent, Michael Brown, Ernie Williams, David Sandlin, Sharmona Moultrie, Mark Starr.

We pray for the members of the Vestry: Marianne, Mark, Frankey, Marge, Mary Frances, Polly, Roy, Tony, Virginia and for the Rector and Staff: Hazel, Mark, Mason, Dawn, Cynthia, Geoff, Cole, Nicole, Kimberly.

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, Cameron Everett, Lanier Sealy, Beau Massenburg, Ryan Whitfield, Stephen Malcom.

We give thanks for the lives of those celebrating birthdays this week: Kep Baucom, Kate Howell, Dan Fielder, Anne Kelleher, Sofia Young, Trip Taylor, Lucas Crider, and Ken Rusiska.

We pray for those who have died. *Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them. Amen.*

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***Service Participants***

<b>Vestry Person of the Week</b>	Virginia Williams (10:30 services)
<b>Vergers</b>	Daryl Jones & Tony King
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Mary Frances Honea, Michele Mattera, & Mike Scott

**Acolytes**

Mary Tucker Howell (1st); Julia Howell (2nd);  
Kate Howell (Banner); Rowan Mattera &  
Jaden Reynolds (Torchbearers)

**Healing Intercessors**

Sherry Cook & Frank West

**Ushers**

Bob Heaberlin, Rick Candler, David Carver,  
Heather Heaberlin, Sarah Huxford, Jeff Lawhead,  
JJ Thomasson

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### *Parish Notices*

**New Vestry Members and Senior Warden:** Please join us in welcoming Marge Bass, Mary Frances Honea, and Roy Reynolds as members of the Vestry. Also, welcome Marianne Lawhead as the new Senior Warden.

**Adult Formation:** Please join us as we study the Bible book of Esther through readings, discussion, and research. We would love to have your insight - no previous experience attending Sunday school is necessary! We meet on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. in the conference room off of the Parish Hall.

**Winter Preaching Series:** Join us for a reception in the Parish Hall in honor of Dr. Mark Douglas, today's guest preacher. Dr. Douglas is a Professor of Christian Ethics at Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, GA. The Winter Preaching series is an annual collaborative event between Central Baptist, Newnan Presbyterian, and St. Paul's.

**Safeguarding God's Children and People:** The Diocese of Atlanta has guidelines for ensuring that we keep all our parishioners safe while participating in church sponsored activities. The Vestry has revised and customized the guidelines for St. Paul's. In order for the parish to be in compliance, some of you will be asked to engage in training. The *Safeguarding God's Children* training seeks to protect children and the *Safeguarding God's People* training seeks to protect adults who participate in every and all ministry settings sponsored by St. Paul's. If you are required to go through either or both of these trainings or to review the guidelines, you will be contacted directly. Any questions can be directed to Tony King at [king0625@bellsouth.net](mailto:king0625@bellsouth.net) or to Nicole Edwards at [admin@stpaulsnewnan.org](mailto:admin@stpaulsnewnan.org).

**Coffee Hour:** Coffee hour will be available after the 10:30 a.m. service in the Parish Hall. For anyone who is interested in joining the Coffee Hour ministry please contact Nikki Henderson via email at [Nikki.Henderson@cowetaschools.net](mailto:Nikki.Henderson@cowetaschools.net) for more information about how to get involved. Come for further fellowship with the St. Paul's family.

**Wednesday Night Supper:** Come and spend time with the St. Paul's family for Wednesday Night Supper! The cost is *free* for children under 3, \$3 for children 3-10, \$6 for children 11 and older, and adults. Families pay a maximum of \$20. A signup sheet is available on the bulletin board outside the Parish Hall, email [admin@stpaulsnewnan.org](mailto:admin@stpaulsnewnan.org), or register and pay via Realm. Please sign up before *Tuesdays at 12 p.m.* so that we can make sure to order enough food.

**Prayer Requests:** Prayer requests for the parish prayer list or the confidential Daughters of the King prayer list may be submitted online, via [admin@stpaulsnewnan.org](mailto:admin@stpaulsnewnan.org), or you may also contact Hazel+ directly.

**Save the Date:** Men's Retreat will be held at Camp Mikell, August 18-20, 2023. The Rev. Mark S. Johnson will be facilitating. Any questions, please contact Frank West, at 262.501.7547.

**Altar Flower Dedications:** A lovely way to remember a loved one or celebrate an anniversary or birthday is to donate altar flowers for that special day. The cost of the arrangements is \$60 per Sunday. Sign up for a particular Sunday at the bulletin board outside the Parish Hall or email [admin@stpaulsnewnan.org](mailto:admin@stpaulsnewnan.org). Please remember to submit payment via the collection plate or Realm and complete the "Flowers for the Altar" form by Wednesday at 12 p.m. to ensure that the commemorating announcement is placed in the bulletin.

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**CLERGY AND Staff**

**The Rev. Hazel Smith Glover**, Rector; **The Rev. Mark S. Johnson**, Deacon; **Mason Copeland**, Organist and Choirmaster; **Dawn Harrison**, Music Associate; **Cynthia Meisinger**, Children and Youth Director; **Geoff Mattera**, Communications Director; **Cole Hankins**, Multimedia Associate; **Nicole Edwards**, Parish Assistant; **Kimberly Stokes**, Financial Assistant.

**VESTRY**

**Marianne Lawhead**, Senior Warden; **Mark LeVan**, Junior Warden; Frankey Henderson, Marge Bass, Mary Frances Honea, Polly Hopkins, Roy Reynolds, Tony King, Virginia Williams.