



St. Paul's Episcopal Church

Seeking to see and serve Christ in all persons

**The Third Sunday after Pentecost
June 9, 2024 • 10:30 AM
Holy Eucharist Rite II**

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

The Opening Voluntary

It is Well With My Soul
Philip Bliss

The Opening Hymn

On this day, the first of days
Hymnal 47

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.

O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

The First Reading ~ 1 Samuel 8: 4 - 11, 16 - 20

All the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, and said to him, “You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations.” But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, “Give us a king to govern us.” Samuel prayed to the LORD, and the LORD said to Samuel, “Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. Now then, listen to their voice; only—you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them.”

So Samuel reported all the words of the LORD to the people who were asking him for a king. He said, “These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots; He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work. He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the LORD will not answer you in that day.”

But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, “No! but we are determined to have a king over us, so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles.”

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

The Psalm ~ 138

1 I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; *
 before the gods I will sing your praise.

2 I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, *
 because of your love and faithfulness;

3 For you have glorified your Name *
 and your word above all things.

4 When I called, you answered me; *

you increased my strength within me.

5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O LORD, *

when they have heard the words of your mouth.

6 They will sing of the ways of the LORD, *

that great is the glory of the LORD.

7 Though the LORD be high, he cares for the lowly; *

he perceives the haughty from afar.

8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; *

you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.

9 The LORD will make good his purpose for me; *

O LORD, your love endures for ever; do not abandon the works of your hands.

The Second Reading ~ 2 Corinthians 4: 13 - 5: 1

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke" —we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

The Sequence Hymn

We walk by faith, and not by sight
Hymnal 209

The Holy Gospel ~ Mark 3: 20 - 35

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

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his disciples could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, “He has gone out of his mind.” And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, “He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.” And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

“Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin”— for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.”

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.” And he replied, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” And looking at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

The Sermon

The Rev. Canon C. John Thompson-Quartey

A period of silent prayer.

The Nicene Creed

All say together

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 IV

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Lector Lord, in your mercy
People *Hear our prayer.*

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Lector Lord, in your mercy
People *Hear our prayer.*

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lector Lord, in your mercy
People *Hear our prayer.*

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Bless our Nominating Committee, Philip, Kasey, Brother, Katie, J.J., Bill, and Fred, and our Vestry, Marianne, Tony, Marge, Anne, Mary Frances, Polly, Sarah, Elizabeth, and Roy that your Holy Spirit may guide them.

Bless those who celebrate birthdays this week, especially Houston, Susan, Mark, Edie, June, and Chris.

Lector Lord, in your mercy
People *Hear our prayer.*

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially Amber; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Lector Lord, in your mercy
People *Hear our prayer.*

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially Gloria, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lector Lord, in your mercy
People *Hear our prayer.*

The Prayer In Times of Conflict [*prayed by all*]

O God, you have bound us together in a common life. Help us, in the midst of our struggles for justice and truth, to confront one another without hatred or bitterness, and to work together with mutual forbearance and respect; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. {BCP page 824}

The celebrant adds a concluding collect

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask, help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Confession of Sin

Celebrant

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister 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.

Celebrant says

The Absolution

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 Announcements

The Blessings and Thanksgivings

The Offertory Sentence

The Holy Communion

The Offertory Anthem

Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling
Will Thompson

The Presentation Hymn

Jerusalem, my happy home
Hymnal 620

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.*

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

People *Glory to you for ever and ever.*

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.*

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.

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.

Then the Celebrant continues

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

The Celebrant continues

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.**

The Celebrant continues

The Communion Hymn

Please stand at the last verse

Let us break bread together

Hymnal 325

The Post Communion Prayer

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.

Prayer for those Not Receiving the Blessed Sacrament

[Adapted from Saint Augustine's Prayer Book. For those not present in the Nave.]

Blessed Jesus, in union with the faithful of every place and people and nation, I join in offering the sacrifice of my praise and thanksgiving to you. I believe that you are truly present in the Bread that has been blessed, broken and given. Since I cannot now receive this holy sacrament, I pray that you will come spiritually into my heart. Abide with me, that I may embrace you entirely, and submit myself to your love and mercy. Let me never be separated from you, that in my waking and in my sleeping I may know the comfort of your presence. I ask this for the sake of your love. *Amen.*

The Blessing

The Closing Hymn

Before the Lord's eternal throne

Hymnal 391

The Dismissal

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Closing Voluntary

Postlude in C Major
Johann Sebastian Bach

Remember in your Prayers

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

A Prayer for the Nominating Committee: Almighty God, Giver of every good gift: look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a Rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (from St Martin in the Fields)

We pray for those with timely concerns: Roger Hines, Andrew Davis, Connie Edge, Kathryn Martin, Bill Garrett, Karen Mosley, Barbara Marshall, Seth Hart, George Abbott-Maze, Billie Harper, Mary Ellyn Booth, Bill Henry, Dianne Teer, Jason Reynolds, Linda Tudor.

We pray for those with ongoing concerns: Brink Howard, Greg Parsons, Annie Bulford, Bo Warren, Ernie Williams, Kelsey Crow, Anne Murphy, Jim Myrick, Ashton Hughes, Lamar Toole, Elizabeth Briscoe, Buddy Sullivan, Larry Maze, Zack Henderson, Saralyn Singletary, Bella Pacini, Greg Olsan, Amber Wolfe.

We pray for the members of the Vestry: Marianne, Tony, Marge, Anne, Mary Frances, Polly, Sarah, Elizabeth, and Roy, and for the Staff: Canon John, Nicole, Rev. Deandre, Rhett, Dawn, Geoff, Cole, Nicole, Kimberly.

We pray for members of our armed services and their families: Kevin Bradley, Joe Clay, Tom Choate, Linda Boyce, Dariel Johnson, Sean McGraw, Steven Puckett, Bill Tudor, Jr., 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, Victoria Eversoll, Trey Bland, Ethan King.

We give thanks for the lives of those celebrating birthdays this week: Houston Hawes, Susan Burrell, Mark Bulford, Edie Haugen, June Francis, and Chris Borders.

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

Service Participants

Vestry Person of the Week	Roy Reynolds
Vergers	Dwight Ellison, Tony King, & Elizabeth Pape
Eucharistic Ministers	Carolyn Masters & Katie McBride-Newman
Acolytes	Verger (1st); India Camp (2nd)
Prayer Intercessors	Carolyn Groover & Mary Frances Honea
Reader(s)	Nina Watts & Lanie Mae Henderson
Ushers	Hadley Heindel, Brian Lewis, Rusty Martin, Tammy Martin, & Roy Reynolds
Altar Guild	Amanda Hand, Louise Howard, & Carolyn Masters
Flower Guild	Amanda Hand

*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by
The Farmer Family in memory of their daughter Jennifer Blackwell.*

Parish Notices

Confirmation: Congratulations to Liam Bulford, Mary Scott Fabrizi, Mary Huskison, and Jaden Reynolds on being confirmed on Sunday, June 2nd!

Vacation Bible School: Help us advertise for VBS! After worship today, please take a yard sign from the lobby and place it in your yard.

All volunteers/interested parents are invited to a Vacation Bible School planning meeting today, **June 9th** after the 10:30 am service. Lunch will be provided. The meeting will be in the Youth Room on the lower level. Vacation Bible School is scheduled for **July 8 - 12**. Registration is now open!

MKPM: All graduating or soon-to-be graduating students are invited to apply for a Mary Kate Parks Mason (MKPM) scholarship to help offset the cost of additional educational training. Students who are furthering their education at a 4-year, 2-year, trade, or certification institution are eligible to apply for a scholarship. Scholarships for no less than **\$1,000** are available to those who apply and are awarded. Questions can be directed to admin@stpaulsnewnan.org. Applications are due by **June 15th**.



Summer Youth Gathering: Do you have a pool, a firepit, or just want to provide space for students to get to know you and one another? Or perhaps you have a really nice yard you would like to show off to a bunch of middle school and high school students? Do you have a knack for hospitality? Rev. Deandre is looking for a few host homes for a weekly (you only host once unless you want to host more than once) youth gathering. Gatherings

will commence beginning July 15th - September 15th. If you're interested in hosting please contact Rev. Deandre for details and to sign up.



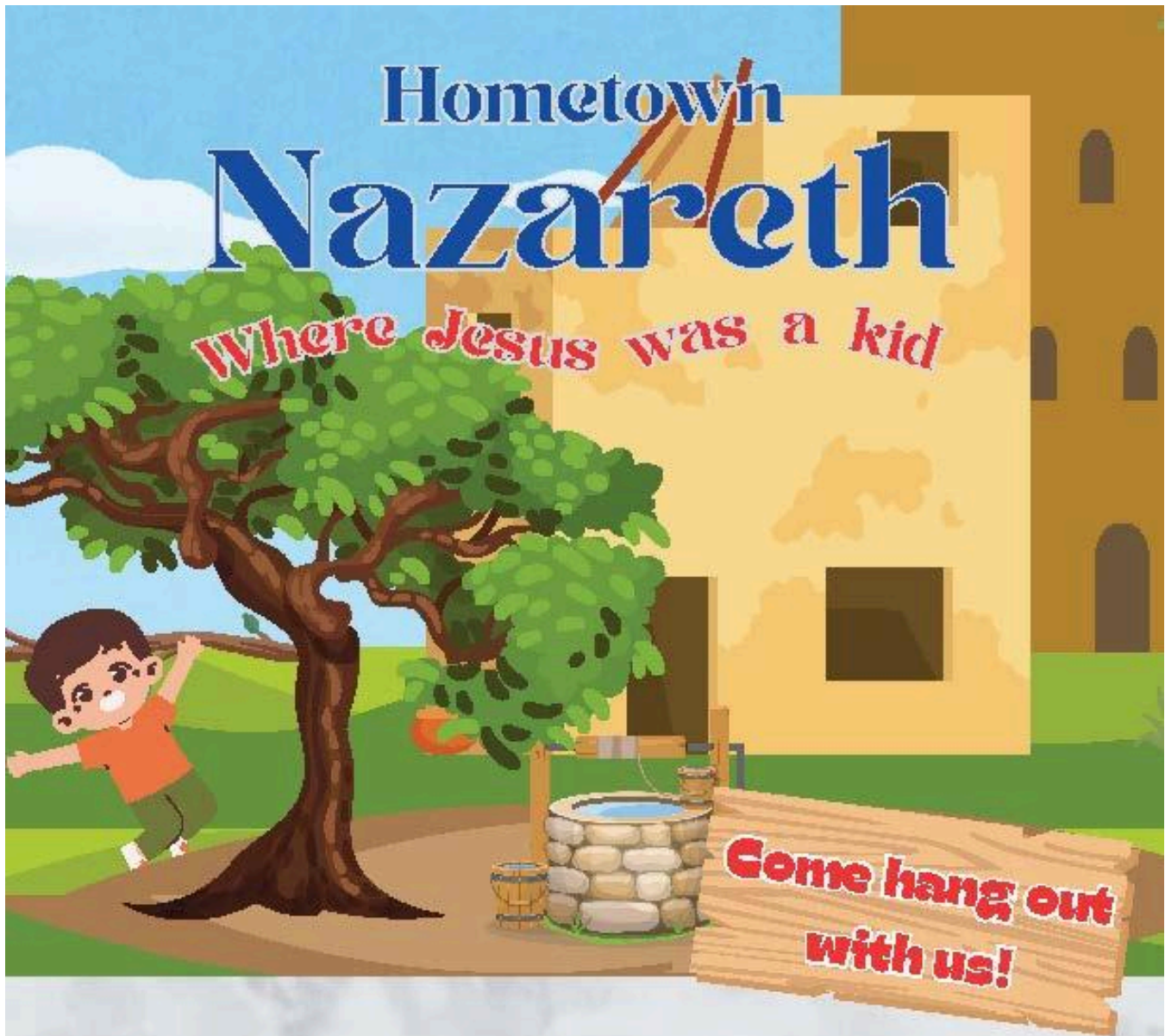
Men's Retreat: The men's retreat is scheduled for August 16th - August 18th at Camp Mikell. Registration is now open. You can register via Realm using the QR code or you can pick up a green printed form from the Narthex.

Grief Books: The health and healing committee with the gracious work of Alice Ann Massenburg provides books for grieving parishioners? The books can be sent if a parishioner has lost a close loved one such as a spouse, mother, father, sister, brother, child, or grandparent. Also, if a person at the church knows of a neighbor or a close friend who is suffering a difficult time with death, Alice Ann will gladly send books to them. The easiest way to get in touch with Alice Ann is by email: rsmfamily@bellsouth.net or by cell at (678) 557-1317. Please provide the name of the person who passed, the date of death, the name and address of the recipient of the books, and their relationship to the deceased. Many Thanks to Alice Ann for her efforts in such an important ministry!

Altar Flowers Dedication: A lovely way to remember a loved one or celebrate an anniversary or birthday is to donate the altar flowers. The cost of the arrangements is \$60 per Sunday. Remember to submit payment either via the collection plate or Realm and make sure to indicate in the memo line the purpose of the contribution. Submissions should be made by Tuesday at noon to ensure that the announcement is placed in the bulletin on the correct Sunday. You can also use this QR code to sign up.



The Daughters of the King: Information pamphlets are available on the bulletin board outside of the parish hall for anyone interested in learning more about The Daughters of the King. We welcome any prospective members!



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