



St. Paul's Episcopal Church

Seeking to see and serve Christ in all persons

The Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

October 31, 2021 • 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 Processional Hymn

Praise to the living God!

Hymnal 372

The Liturgy of the Word

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People ***And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. 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 4-8 are invited to gather at the rear of the church to attend Children's Chapel, return during the Peace.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People ***And also with you.***

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift that your faithful people offer you true and laudable service: Grant that we may run without stumbling to obtain your heavenly promises; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

All may be seated.

The First Lesson: Ruth 1:1-18

In the days when the judges ruled, there was a famine in the land, and a certain man of Bethlehem in Judah went to live in the country of Moab, he and his wife and two sons. The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion; they were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. When they had lived there about ten years, both Mahlon and Chilion also died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband.

Then she started to return with her daughters-in-law from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the country of Moab that the Lord had considered his people and given them food. So she set out from the place where she had been living, she and her two daughters-in-law, and they went on their way to go back to the land of Judah. But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go back each of you to your mother's house. May the Lord deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. The Lord grant that you may find security, each of you in the house of your husband." Then she kissed them, and they wept aloud. They said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters, why will you go with me? Do I still have sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? Turn back, my daughters, go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. Even if I thought there was hope for me, even if I should have a husband tonight and bear sons, would you then wait until they were grown? Would you then refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, it has been far more bitter for me than for you, because the hand of the Lord has turned against me." Then they wept aloud again. Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her.

So she said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." But Ruth said, "Do not press me to leave you or to turn back from following you! Where you go, I will go; Where you lodge, I will lodge; your people shall be my people, and your God my God.

Where you die, I will die there will I be buried. May the Lord do thus and so to me, and more as well, if even death parts me from you!" When Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more to her.

Lector *The Word of the Lord.*

People *Thanks be to God.*

The Psalm: 146

- 1 Hallelujah!
Praise the Lord, O my soul! *
I will praise the Lord as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.
- 2 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, *
for there is no help in them.
- 3 When they breathe their last, they return to earth, *
and in that day their thoughts perish.
- 4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! *
whose hope is in the Lord their God;
- 5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; *
who keeps his promise for ever;
- 6 Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, *
and food to those who hunger.
- 7 The Lord sets the prisoners free;
the Lord opens the eyes of the blind; *
the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;
- 8 The Lord loves the righteous;
the Lord cares for the stranger; *
he sustains the orphan and widow,
but frustrates the way of the wicked.
- 9 The Lord shall reign for ever, *
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.
Hallelujah!

The Second Reading: Hebrews 9:11-14

When Christ came as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation), he entered once for all into the Holy Place, not with the blood of goats and calves, but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls, with the sprinkling of the ashes of a heifer, sanctifies those who have been defiled so that their flesh is purified, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to worship the living God!

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Sequence Hymn

Help us, O Lord, to learn
Hymnal 628

The Holy Gospel: Mark 12:28-34

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

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

One of the scribes came near and heard the Saducees disputing with one another, and seeing that Jesus answered them well, he asked him, "Which commandment is the first of all?" Jesus answered, "The first is, 'Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' The second is this, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these." Then the scribe said to him, "You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that 'he is one, and besides him there is no other'; and 'to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength,' and 'to love one's neighbor as oneself,' —this is much more important than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices." When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." After that no one dared to ask him any question.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

The Sermon

Mark Johnson - Seminarian

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 VI

Intercessor In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

Intercessor For all people in their daily life and work;

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

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

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

Intercessor For the just and proper use of your creation;

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

Intercessor 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.***

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

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

Intercessor For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Robert, Don, and Paul, our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers;

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

Intercessor For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. We pray for those on our prayer list, especially David, Tom, Ernie, Heather, Anne, Don, Frank, Carol, Billy, Megan.

The People may add their own petitions

Intercessor Hear us, Lord;

People ***For your mercy is great.***

Intercessor We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We give thanks for those who celebrate birthdays this week, especially: Taylor Sr, Quinn, Joan, Bill, Mary, Brad, Jack Tucker, Mary, Frank, Jack Vermilyea, Caroline, Ron, Taylor Jr.

The People may add their own thanksgivings.

Intercessor We will exalt you, O God our King;

People ***And praise your Name for ever and ever.***

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

The People may add their own petitions

Intercessor Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People ***Who put their trust in you.***

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

Silence may be kept.

Leader 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

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.***

Blessings and Thanksgivings

The Holy Communion

The Offertory Anthem

Love your neighbor
Michael Hleman

The Presentation Hymn

King of glory, King of peace
Hymnal 382

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 by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. 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 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:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

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.



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

Communion Anthem

I will be a child of peace
Elaine Hagenburg

The Communion Hymn

Let the Blood in mercy poured
Hymnal 313

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

Rise up, ye saints of God!
Hymnal 551

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you. The Dismissal**

A prayer for Guidance and Protection: (From the Daughters of the King)

*O Lord, our redeemer, be our protection. Direct our minds by your gracious presence. Watch over our paths and guide us with your love through the hidden snares of life. Fix our hearts on you as we go forward, and following in faith arrive at your goal, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.***

SUNDAY PARTICIPANTS

VPOW [Vestry Person of the Week] - Mark LeVan				
Verger	Eucharistic Minister	Ushers	Acolytes	Readers
Daryl	Wendy Llosa	Bob Heaberlin, Heather Turner, David Carver, Rick Candler, Jeff Lawhead, Philip Head, JJ Thomasson	Freddie Wendleburg - 1st Jude Henderson - 2nd Liam Bulford - Banner Caroline Lowe - Torch 1 Jack Bulford - Torch 2	

Remember in your Prayers

We pray for those with ongoing concerns: Malcolm Velasca, Kiran Force, Alice Magnan, Annie Bulford, Margaret Crary, Trina Hall, Tyler Chapman, Anna Endres, Kimberly Leitch, Candy Waldron, Bo Warren, Brittany Jones, Ralph Hajosy, Jeff Lawhead, Billy Newman, Carol Paschal, Donald Simpson, John Cummins, Lizzy Sandlin, Megan Morgan.

We pray for those with timely concerns: Brink Howard, Danielle Doughtie, Rena McMichael, Michael Coxand, Dustin Brown, Ernie Williams, Mandy Screven, Steven Stellen, Marcia Mack, Vashti Ravenell, Gavin Stuart and family, Heather & Martha Pennell-Glover, Anne Murphy, Heather, Quinn Harrison, Jason Allen, Ethan Page, Luke Bourneuf, Ruthie Stewart, Don Jones, Dorothy Schultze & family, Ivy Roman, Michelle, Scott Cummins, Rev. Allan & Gretchen Sandlin.

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

We give thanks for the lives of those celebrating birthdays this week: Taylor Josey Sr., Quinn Baucom, Joan Doggrell, Bill Stemberger, Mary Coggin, Brad Smith, Jack, Mary Scott, Frank Berry, Jack, Caroline Abbey, Ron Beaucham, Taylor Josey Jr.

We pray for those who are sick and those who love them, and for those who have died because of the coronavirus; for those who are oppressed by fear. Let us also pray for those in the medical, scientific, research and pharmaceutical communities devoting their time and talent to the cause of global health.

Parish Notices

ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God.

ALL ADULT FORMATION CLASSES will merge for the next three Sundays, beginning October 31, 2021 to attend a series entitled **“J.S. Bach: Musician and Theologian”** led by our seminarian, Mark Johnson. The class will meet in Room 2 at 9:30. Please join us.

BIBLE STUDY: “Prayers in Scripture: A six-week Bible Study” continues on Wednesday, November 3rd and meets in Room 2 off the parish hall.

DON'T FORGET IT'S FALL BACK TIME on November 7th - Daylight Saving Time ends. Please remember to set your clocks back one hour.

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES AT 8:30 AND 10:30 - ALL SAINTS' Nov. 7th - Honoring our loved ones **who have died since November 2020**. Please send names to be included in the litany of names at our regularly scheduled morning services no later than Tuesday, November 2 to Charmaine at parishadmin@stpaulsnewnan.org. **PLEASE NOTE: FOR THE 10:30 SERVICE, those wishing to carry in a rose to the Altar, please meet in the Narthex no later than 10:15 a.m.**

In addition, there will also be our **FIRST ANNUAL ALL SAINTS' DAY MEMORIAL SERVICE, 4 p.m. November 7th**. - Followed by a reception hosted by the Daughters of the King. This Memorial Eucharist will include the Litany of Names and short biographies for any one who has died regardless of the time period. Please submit the name of your loved one along with a brief description also by November 2, 2021 to Charmaine at parishadmin@stpaulsnewnan.org

Here are examples of biographies from the former rector of St. Catherine's in Marietta and my sister. Both were written on All Saints Day, 1999. As names are read you will be invited up to the altar to light a candle.

Connie Nixon.

Jim Nixon's mother. She taught my brother, sisters and me that life was about being the very best God created you to be. She expected much of us but loved us no matter what. She loved and cared for my dad for fifty-three years of marriage. She was proud of her family and she let us know.

Betty Harper

Lifelong friend of Bonnie McMillian, Hazel's sister. Betty was an animal lover and gardener who taught me to love flowers. Betty would do anything for anyone with no strings attached.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Bishop Wright to visit St. Paul's on Sunday, November 21, 2021 During his pastoral visit, our bishop will bless the expansion of the parish hall, the creation of accessible entrances to the nave, the playground, and an altar for the Children's Chapel at 9:30 a.m. Additionally, Bishop Wright will preach and celebrate Holy Eucharist at 10:30 which will include confirmation, reception, and reaffirmation.

CONFIRMATION In the sacramental rite of Confirmation, baptized persons are "confirmed" in the Christian faith with the laying on of hands by Bishop Wright. Many people choose to be confirmed as a way of affirming their baptisms and of ritually acknowledging a deeper, more mature faith commitment.

RECEPTION Those who have been confirmed in other denominations by a bishop in the historic succession (Roman Catholic, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, or Eastern Orthodox) may be received into the Episcopal Church by Bishop Wright. Many people choose to be Received as a way of affirming their baptisms; of ascending a stronger affinity with the spirituality, ethos, practice, and sensibility of the Episcopal Church; and of ritually acknowledging a deeper, more mature faith commitment.

REAFFIRMATION Those who have been baptized and confirmed in the Episcopal Church and wish to recommit themselves to the Christian life of faith may choose to reaffirm their baptismal covenant with the bishop. For More information please contact Rev. Hazel at: revhazel@stpaulsnewnan.org

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Vestry

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