



St. Paul's Episcopal Church

Seeking to see and serve Christ in all persons

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 8, 2022

Holy Eucharist, Rite Two with Holy Baptism

The service begins on page 299 of The Book of Common Prayer. The service is printed here in its entirety.

The Opening Hymn

Holy God we praise thy Name
Hymnal 366

The Introit

Alive, Alive
Be My Shepherd
Sung by the Cherub Choir

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Celebrant There is one Body and one Spirit;
People There is one hope in God's call to us;
Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People One God and Father of all.

The Collect of the Day

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

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A Collect for Mother's Day

On this Mother's Day, we give thanks to God for the divine gift of motherhood in all its diverse forms. Let us pray for all the mothers among us today; for our own mothers, those living and those who have passed away; for the mothers who loved us and for those who fell short of loving us fully; for all who hope to be mothers some day and for those whose hope to have children has been frustrated; for all mothers who have lost children; for all women and men who have mothered others in any way—those who have been our substitute mothers and we who have done so for those in need; for the earth that bore us and provides our sustenance. We pray this all in the name of God, our great and loving Mother. *Amen.*

The First Lesson: Acts 9:36-43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

The Psalm: 23

- 1 The Lord is my shepherd; *
 I shall not be in want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures *
 and leads me beside still waters.
- 3 He revives my soul *
 and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; *
 for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; *
 you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, *
 and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

The Second Reading: Revelation 7:9-17

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows."

Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

The Sequence Hymn

My Shepherd will supply my need
Hymnal 664

The Holy Gospel: John 10:22-30

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly."

Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give

them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Harry Barrow

A period of silence is kept.

The Baptismal Hymn

Like the murmur of the dove's song
Hymnal 513

The Presentation and Examination of the Candidate

Candidate for Baptism:

Isobel Jane Berry

The Celebrant says

The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

The parents and godparents say in unison

I present Isobel Jane to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

The Celebrant asks the parents and godparents

Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Celebrant

Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Then the Celebrant asks the following questions of the candidates who can speak for themselves, and of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of the infants and younger children.

Question Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that Rebel against God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer I do.

Question Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer I do.

Question Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer I do.

After the candidate has been presented, the Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support Isobel Jane in her life in Christ?

People We will.

The Celebrant then says these or similar words

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People I will, with God's help.

The Prayers for the Candidate

Celebrant Let us now pray for Isobel Jane who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Intercessor Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor Open her heart to your grace and truth.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor Send her into the world in witness to your love.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

The Celebrant says

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving over the Water

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever.
Amen.

The Baptism

Isobel Jane, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. *Amen.*

Isobel Jane, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. *Amen.*

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

The Baptismal Anthem

See This Wonder
Carl Schalk
Sung by the St. Cecilia Choir

See this wonder in the making: God himself this child is taking
As a lamb safe in his keeping, His to be, awake or sleeping.
Miracle each time it happens, As the door to heaven opens
And the Father beams: "Beloved, Heir of gifts a king would covet!"
Far more tender than a mother, far more caring than a father,
God into your arms we place her, with your love and peace embrace her.
Here we bring a child of nature, home we take a newborn creature,
Now God's precious son or daughter, born again by Word and Water.

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

Loving Shepherd of thy sheep
Philip Ledger

The Presentation Hymn

The King of love my shepherd is
Hymnal 645

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. Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth. 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 128

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.

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.



The Celebrant then continues

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

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

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

The Communion Anthem

The Shepherd Psalm

John Carter

Sung by the St. Cecilia Choir

The Lord is my shepherd, there's nothing more I'll ever need:
I'll lie down to dream in a pasture of green I'll follow wherever he leads me.
The Lord is my shepherd, beside the still waters I go;
My soul is restored when I walk with my Lord,
His righteousness round me will flow.
And if I should walk in the shadow of death, I will not be afraid;
My shepherd the Lord, goes wherever I go, His rod and his staff are my comfort,
I know that the Lord is my shepherd, I'll sit at his table to dine;
His goodness and mercy will follow my days,
And heaven will surely be mine, And heaven will always be mine.

The Communion Hymn

Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless

Hymnal 343

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.*

The Blessing

The Closing Hymn

Glorious things of thee are spoken
Hymnal 523

The Dismissal

*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God
in thanksgiving for the baptism of Isobel Jane Berry.*

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

Vestry Person of the Week	Polly Hopkins
Vergers	Tony King, Jennifer Thomasson
Eucharistic Ministers	Daryl Jones, Bob Heaberlin, Heather Turner
Readers/Intercessor	Nina Watts
Acolytes	Adele Bulford (1st), Lily Mattera (2nd) Sydney Pape (Banner) Rowan Mattera, Jack Bulford (Torchbearers)

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: Brink Howard, Heather Pennell-Glover, Anne Murphy, Karol Lamb, Marvin Simpson, Stephanie Grendzinski, Joseph Bagwell, Amanda and Emersyn Taylor, Phoebe Kohler, Josephine Warwick, John Stuckey.

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, Bo Warren, Brittany Jones, Ralph Hajosy, John Cummins, Carol Paschal, Megan Morgan, Jeni Massenburg, Ivy Roman.

We pray for the members of the Vestry: Renee, Mark, Nicole, Philip, Frankey, Polly, Tony, Marianne, Virginia, and for the Staff: Hazel, Mason, 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: Wendy Llosa, Philip Hand, Lucy Hayden. We give thanks for the baptism of Isobel Jane Berry.

PARISH NOTICES

CHILDREN'S CHOIRS – Today is the last Sunday the two children's choirs will sing in church for this year. I have thoroughly enjoyed having the children in these choirs, although the Cherub Choir was only launched early this year. I plan to continue with it for the next year. The age range for the Cherub Choir is age 3 through 1st grade and the St. Cecilia Choir is for children in second grade on up. Rehearsals for both will begin again in the fall. - Dawn Harrison

CALLING ALL HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS – It's that time of year again when we say congratulations and best of luck to our graduating seniors as they go on to pursue new endeavors. If your child is a graduate from high school this year, please call the church office so we may invite them to a special celebratory night on May 24th. If they are not able to attend, please still call the church office at 770-253-4264 so that we may include their name in our service bulletin.

MARY KATE PARKS MASON SCHOLARSHIP – Mary Kate Parks Mason was a parishioner of St. Paul's and a former school teacher. When she died, she left a trust fund to the parish with the instructions that the interest each year should be distributed in the form of a scholarship to eligible graduating high school parish seniors. If you are interested in being considered for the Mary Kate Parks Mason Scholarship, please [click here for the application](#). Applications are due by June 1, 2022.

COME SERVE WITH US – Now that the quarantine period is behind us, we would like the whole community to come back through the doors into the beautiful nave and worship with your church family. As we move forward, our hope is to expand our ministry teams and opportunities. Please look over this list and prayerfully consider signing up for one or more of our ministries: *Acolytes, Adult Choir, Vergers, Lay Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, Flower Guild, Altar Guild, Service Live Streaming, Wednesday Night Suppers, Youth Program, Coffee Hour, and Eucharistic Visitors*. For more information or to sign-up for a ministry please email the church office at parishadmin@stpaulsnewnan.org and we will pass your name on to the appropriate head of that particular ministry.

SAVE THE DATE! PENTECOST PICNIC – Mark your calendars for St. Paul's Pentecost Picnic on June 5! Join us for a picnic along the covered walkway, following the 10:30 service. Come with your families and friends for food, fellowship, and yard games/crafts for children. If you'd like to volunteer to help set up or clean up, please email marymargaret@stpaulsnewnan.org. Looking forward to seeing y'all there!

A graphic featuring the words "UPCOMING EVENTS" in a white, sans-serif font, enclosed within a white rectangular border. This border is set against a dark, textured, brush-stroke-like background that resembles charcoal or dark ink on a light surface.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Good things are Happening at St. Paul's!

Add these dates to your calendar and join us:

2nd Sunday Summer Suppers

June, July and August

Vacation Bible School (VBS)

July 25-29

Homecoming

July 31

Adult Choir Rehearsals Begin

August 3

Cherub and St. Cecilia Choir Rehearsals Begin

August 10

Rebirth of Wednesday Night Suppers

August 10

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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CLERGY AND Staff

The Rev. Hazel Smith Glover, Rector; **Mason Copeland**, Organist and Choirmaster; **Dawn Harrison**, Music Associate; **Elisabeth Copeland**, Director of Children's Ministry; **Mary Margaret Stewart**, Youth Director; **Kimberly Stokes**, Financial Assistant; **Cole Hankins**, Multimedia Associate.

VESTRY

Renee Powell, Senior Warden; **Mark LeVan**, Junior Warden; **Nicole Edwards**, Outreach Liaison; **Philip Hand**, Stewardship Liaison; **Frankey Henderson**, Parish Life Liaison; **Virginia Williams**, Communications Liaison; **Polly Hopkins**, Health and Healing Liaison; **Marianne Lawhead**, Welcoming Liaison; **Tony King**, Compliance and Documentation Liaison.