



# St. Paul's Episcopal Church

*Seeking to see and serve Christ in all persons*

**The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**September 4, 2022 • 10:30 AM**

**Labor Day**

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

**The Opening 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 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 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.

Almighty God, you have so linked our lives one with another that all we do affects, for good or ill, all other lives: So guide us in the work we do, that we may do it not for self alone, but for the common good; and, as we seek a proper return for our own labor, make us mindful of the rightful aspirations of other workers, and arouse our concern for those who are out of work; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

*All may be seated.*

**The First Lesson: Ecclesiasticus 38:27-32a**

So it is with every artisan and master artisan  
    who labors by night as well as by day;  
those who cut the signets of seals,  
    each is diligent in making a great variety;  
they set their heart on painting a lifelike image,  
    and they are careful to finish their work.  
So it is with the smith, sitting by the anvil,  
    intent on his iron-work;  
the breath of the fire melts his flesh,  
    and he struggles with the heat of the furnace;  
the sound of the hammer deafens his ears,  
    and his eyes are on the pattern of the object.  
He sets his heart on finishing his handiwork,  
    and he is careful to complete its decoration.  
So it is with the potter sitting at his work  
    and turning the wheel with his feet;  
he is always deeply concerned over his products,  
    and he produces them in quantity.  
He molds the clay with his arm  
    and makes it pliable with his feet;  
he sets his heart to finish the glazing,  
    and he takes care in firing the kiln.  
All these rely on their hands,  
    and all are skillful in their own work.  
Without them no city can be inhabited,  
    and wherever they live, they will not go hungry.

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

**The Psalm: 90:1-2, 15-17**

*The psalm is sung by the choir.*

1 Lord, you have been our refuge \*  
    from one generation to another.

2 Before the mountains were brought forth,  
    or the land and the earth were born, \*  
    from age to age you are God.

15 Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us \*  
    and the years in which we suffered adversity.

16 Show your servants your works \*  
    and your splendor to their children.

17 May the graciousness of the LORD our God be upon us; \*  
    prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.

**The Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:10-14**

According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it. Each builder must choose with care how to build on it. For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ. Now if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw-- the work of each builder will become visible, for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each has done.

If what has been built on the foundation survives, the builder will receive a reward.

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

## **The Sequence Hymn**

*God is love, and where true love is*  
Hymnal 577

### **The Holy Gospel: Matthew 6:19-24**

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

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

"The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light; but if your eye is unhealthy, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!

"No one can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

### **The Sermon**

The Rev. Hazel Smith Glover

### **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 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  
*People*                    humbly serve you;  
*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  
*People*                    of the world;  
*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  
*People*                    trouble, especially Courtney, Henry, Mary;  
*That they may be delivered from their distress.*

Intercessor            Give to the departed eternal rest;  
*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            We pray for those celebrating birthdays this week, especially  
Nicole, Joan, Bill, Mindy, Christian, JJ, Carlisle, Beth, Victoria,  
Marc, Phillip, Hunter, Debbie, Jonathan, Sarah, Catherine,  
Ellie, Emery.

Intercessor            Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*The People may add their own petitions.*

*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 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.*

### **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.

### **Blessings and Thanksgivings**

## The Holy Communion

### The Offertory Anthem

*Come Labor On*  
John Ferguson

### The Presentation Hymn

*Take up your cross, the Savior said*  
Hymnal 675

### 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 you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 129

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**

*Celebrant*

Hymnal S 154

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*Healing Intercessors are available in the chapel for prayer during communion.*

**The Communion Anthem**

*I Am the Bread of Life*  
Gerald Near

**The Communion Hymn**

*When Christ was lifted from the earth*  
Hymnal 603

*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 grace and God of glory*  
Hymnal 594

**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: Paula Kress, Francesca Jefferson, the family of Dr. William Jon Gray, Matthew Wilson, George Robinson, Russell Blymire, Henry Garrett, Mary Sergent, Amy Max, Rev. Louis Tonsmiere, Doug and Shelly Reese, Cassidy Peters, Andrew Rafferty, Joshua Woods, Charity Woods, Melody Weigenka, John Marchewka, Doug Maddox, Courtney McCulley.

We pray for those with ongoing concerns: Brink Howard, Phoebe Kohler, Aileen McCullough, Sarah Crow, Annie Bulford, Ryan Olsan, Mark Starr, Miranda Allen, Anne Stainer, Robin Carroll, Wendy Llosa, Sam McPherson.

We pray for the members of the Vestry: Renee, Mark, Philip, Frankey, Polly, Tony, Marianne, Virginia, and for the Staff: Hazel, Mason, Dawn, Cynthia, Elisabeth, 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.

We give thanks for the lives of those celebrating birthdays this week: Nicole Walters, Joan LeVan, Bill Harrison, Mindy Friesen, Christian Llosa, JJ Thomasson, Carlisle Taylor, Beth Gourley, Victoria Eversoll, Marc Honea, Phillip Turner, Hunter Snyder, Debbie Brown, Jonathan Carter, Sarah Paschal, Catherine Heindel, Ellie Hall, Emery Allen.

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>	Tony King
<b>Vergers</b>	Tony King, David Waldron
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Frankey Henderson, Jeff Lawhead, Marianne Lawhead
<b>Reader</b>	Lauren Gallagher
<b>Acolytes</b>	Adele Bulford (1st), Mary Huskison (2nd)
<b>Healing Intercessors</b>	Anne Graner, Bill Harrison
<b>Ushers</b>	Mike Scott, Mike Gallagher, Amy Jones, Daryl Jones, Brother Massenburg Michele Mattera, Bill Stemberger

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*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God  
by Mark and Wendy LeVan in celebration of their mother Joan LeVan's 93rd birthday.*

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### ***Parish Notices***

**Adult Formation:** Please join us in the Parish Hall for Adult Formation on Sunday at 9:30 am. We are reading *Liturgy of the Ordinary* by Tish Warren. The book is available from Amazon, but we would love for you to join our discussion regardless of whether you have the book or not! We are exploring ways to live our faith through every part of our days!

**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). 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 and complete the “Flowers for the Altar” form by Wednesday 12 pm to ensure that the announcement is placed in the bulletin.

**American Red Cross Blood Drive:** Consider giving! The St. Paul’s American Red Cross Blood Drive is scheduled for Monday, October 24.

**Coffee Hour:** Coffee hour will be available after the 10:30 service in the Parish Hall. Come for further fellowship with the St. Paul’s family.

**Contributions and Pledges Statements:** Contributions and pledges statements will be mailed out in the next few weeks. If your household has changed or you have moved as of June 1, 2022, please contact 770.253.4264 x. 168 or [admin@stpaulsnewnan.org](mailto:admin@stpaulsnewnan.org).

**Healing Service:** Healing Services with Holy Eucharist are held on Wednesday mornings at 11:00 a.m. Services will be held in the transept; people may enter through the narthex.

**Parents vs Kids Kickball Event:** Join the children and youth in a family kickball event. Parents will play against children in kickball on Sunday, September 25. Come and participate or cheer your favorite players on!

**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.

**Sunday School:** Godly Play will be held at 9:30 am in the Children’s Wing. Lessons are open to all elementary aged children. We are also looking for volunteers to be Godly Play storytellers and doorkeepers. If you are interested, please contact Elisabeth Copeland at [elisabeth@stpaulsnewnan.org](mailto:elisabeth@stpaulsnewnan.org).

**Updated and Improved Parish Directory:** Realm is the upgraded version of our current ACS directory system and is much more user-friendly! Do you need help with Realm, either the app or web-based? Are you struggling with updating your profile, or the profile of your children? Are you a ministry head who is feeling lost as to how to best use Realm? If so, please reach out to Jennifer Thomasson – she wants to help make Realm easy and efficient for everyone at St. Paul’s! Please text her at 678.378.0338 and allow her to assist you.

**Volunteers Needed:** The Wednesday Night Supper Leaders need volunteer(s) for September 14th!

You can work alone or collaborate with others to create a team. Suppers are at 6pm in the Parish Hall. Please plan for 25-30 people. You may donate the meal or request reimbursement from St. Paul's - the weekly budget is \$175. Contact 770.253.4264 or [admin@stpaulsnewnan.org](mailto:admin@stpaulsnewnan.org) or go to Realm to sign up for the Wednesday Night Supper team and you will be contacted to schedule your service.

**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, children 3-10, \$3 and children 11 and older and adults are \$6. Families pay a maximum of \$20. A sign up sheet is available at the bulletin board outside the Parish Hall, email [admin@stpaulsnewnan.org](mailto:admin@stpaulsnewnan.org), or register and pay via Realm. Please sign up so that we can make sure to order enough food.

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**CLERGY AND Staff**

**The Rev. Hazel Smith Glover**, Rector; **Mason Copeland**, Organist and Choirmaster; **Dawn Harrison**, Music Associate; **Cynthia Meisinger**, Children and Youth Director; **Elisabeth Copeland**, Children's Ministry; **Geoff Mattera**, Communications Director; **Cole Hankins**, Multimedia Associate; **Nicole Edwards**, Parish Assistant; **Kimberly Stokes**, Bookkeeper.

**VESTRY**

**Renee Powell**, Senior Warden; **Mark LeVan**, Junior Warden; **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.