



St. Paul's Episcopal Church

Seeking to see and serve Christ in all persons

**The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 18, 2022 • 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

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
Hymnal 390

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.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; 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: Amos 8:4-7

Hear this, you that trample on the needy,
and bring to ruin the poor of the land,
saying, "When will the new moon be over
so that we may sell grain;
and the sabbath,
so that we may offer wheat for sale?
We will make the ephah small and the shekel great,
and practice deceit with false balances,
buying the poor for silver
and the needy for a pair of sandals,
and selling the sweepings of the wheat."
The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob:
Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

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

The Psalm: 113

The psalm is sung by the choir.

- 1 Hallelujah!
Give praise, you servants of the Lord; *
praise the Name of the Lord.
- 2 Let the Name of the Lord be blessed, *
from this time forth for evermore.
- 3 From the rising of the sun to its going down *
let the Name of the Lord be praised.
- 4 The Lord is high above all nations, *
and his glory above the heavens.

- 5 Who is like the Lord our God, who sits enthroned on high *
but stoops to behold the heavens and the earth?
- 6 He takes up the weak out of the dust *
and lifts up the poor from the ashes.
- 7 He sets them with the princes, *
with the princes of his people.
- 8 He makes the woman of a childless house *
to be a joyful mother of children.

The Second Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For

there is one God;
there is also one mediator between God and humankind,
Christ Jesus, himself human,
who gave himself a ransom for all

-- this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

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

The Sequence Hymn

God of mercy, God of grace
Hymnal 538

The Holy Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position

away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave 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

Mark Johnson

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
humbly serve you;
People *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
of the world;
People *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
trouble, especially David;
People *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
Brian, Carlisle, Carol, Susan, Nick, Jude, David, Sarah, Elise,
Wesley, Frankie.

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

Lord in Thy Mercy
Felix Mendelssohn

The Presentation Hymn

What does the Lord require
Hymnal 605

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

Hymnal S 154

Celebrant

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Healing Intcessors are available in the chapel for prayer during communion.

The Communion Anthem

Children of the Lord

Natalie Sleeth

St. Cecilia Choir

We are all children of the Lord, black and white, red and yellow,
We are all children of the Lord, let us live in harmony!
Many names, many faces many lands, many places,
but through time and through spaces, we are one humanity.
We are all children of the Lord, one by one, all together.
We are all children of the Lord, just like one big family.
We are all children of the Lord, young and old, big and little.
We are all children of the Lord, let us kind and loving be.
From the time of creation, through each new generation, every land, every
nation, part of one great unity. We are all children of the Lord, let us love one
another. We are all children of the Lord, just like one big family.
Let us live in harmony, we are all children of the Lord.

The Communion Hymn

Savior, again to thy dear Name we raise
Hymnal 345

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

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart
Hymnal 488

The Dismissal

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, Anita Banta, The Right Rev. Larry Maze+ and family, Katy Crow and family.

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, William Partridge, David Bottoms.

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, Stephen Malcom.

We give thanks for the lives of those celebrating birthdays this week: Brian Montequin, Carlisle Hensley, Carol Tucker, Susan Heindel, Nick Schlottman, Jude Henderson, David Hendricks, Sarah Crow, Elise Wendelburg, Wesley Trammell, Frankie Hardin.

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

Service Participants

Vestry Person of the Week	Marianne Lawhead
Vergers	Frankey Henderson, Tony King
Eucharistic Ministers	Lauren Gallagher, Mary Frances Honea, Brother Massenburg
Acolytes	Jude Henderson (1st), Lanie Mae Henderson (2nd), Jaden Reynolds (Banner), Mary Scott Fabrizi and Zachary Reynolds (Torchbearers)
Reader	Katie McBride Newman
Healing Intercessors	Anne Graner, Frank West

Ushers

Hadley Heindel, Brian Lewis, David Martin,
Rusty Martin, Tammy Martin, Roy Reynolds,
Cathy Sandlin

*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God
in celebration of the wedding of Mindy Friesen and Guy Benefield.*

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!

Parents vs Kids Kickball Event: Join the children and youth in a family kickball event. Parents will play against children in kickball at 12:30 pm on Sunday, September 25 at First Ave. Park. Pizza and water will be provided. Please sign-up via Realm or email Cynthia at cynthia@stpaulsnewnan.org. Come and participate or cheer your favorite players on!

Sunday School: Godly Play will be held in the Children's Wing during church services on Sundays when there is no children's liturgy. Godly Play sessions will no longer be offered at 9:30 on Sundays. Instead, beginning September 18th, Jr. EYC programming for grades 5-8 will be offered. One adult volunteer is needed to sit in on each session. Contact Cynthia at cynthia@stpaulsnewnan.org if you want to volunteer or have any questions.

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 sign-up sheet is available on the bulletin board outside the Parish Hall, email admin@stpaulsnewnan.org, or register and pay via Realm. Please sign up so that we can make sure to order enough food.

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. Please remember to submit payment either via the collection plate or Realm 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.

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.

Men's Ministry: Men of the church.... The St. Paul's Men's Club meets once a month for dinner and comradery and to solve all the problems of the world. The next meeting/dinner is Sunday, September 18th at 6:00 PM. The location is Frank West's home at 45 O'Dell Ridge, Newnan, 30263. The menu will be top-chef-quality tacos with embellishments. All men of St. Paul's are cordially invited. Please contact Bob Heaberlin at bob.heaberlin@gmail.com or (770) 316-8533 if you plan to attend.

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, or you may also contact Hazel+ directly.

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.

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