# St. Paul's by-the-Sea Episcopal Church

Ocean City, Maryland



Thy homeless neighbor Thy Muslim neighbor Thy Black neighbor Thy gay neighbor Thy immigrant neighbor Thy Jewish neighbor Thy Christian neighbor Thy atheist neighbor Thy disabled neighbor Thy addicted neighbor Amen.

From Sermons That Work, October 31, 2021, Rev. Kathleen Walker

### Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost October 31, 2021

## A Service of Morning Prayer Rite II

Welcome to St. Paul's by-the-Sea. Today we are worshipping according to the Order for Daily Morning Prayer Rite II, led by our Licensed Worship Leaders Tom Shuster and Debbie Shuster. Our readers are Andy Diaz and Nancy Knotts.

Today is the Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost. It is also Heritage Sunday for our church in the Diocese of Easton. Most importantly, it is the closest Sunday to All Saints' Day, and today we remember the saints that have touched our lives. Enjoy the service and thank you for worshipping with us.

#### **Opening Hymn**

Hymnal 287

1. For all the saints, who from their labors rest, who thee by faith before the world confessed, thy Name, O Jesus, be forever blessed. Alleluia, Alleluia!

2. Thou wast their rock, their fortress and their might; thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight; thou, in the darkness drear, the one true Light. Alleluia, Alleluia!

3. O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold, fight as the saints who nobly fought of old, and win, with them, the victor's crown of gold. Alleluia, Alleluia!

4. O blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle, they in glory shine yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia, Alleluia!

#### THE GATHERING OF THE FAITHFUL

#### **Opening Sentences**

The Officiant(s) begin the service:

You are no longer strangers and sojourners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God. *Ephesians* 2:19

#### **Confession of Sin**

The Officiant says to the people

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Officiant and People together, all kneeling 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 Officiant, kneeling, says

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. *Amen*. BCP p. 78

#### The Invitatory and Psalter

#### All stand

*Officiant* Lord, open our lips. *People* And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Officiant and People Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

On other Sundays and weekdays The mercy of the Lord is everlasting: Come let us adore him.

#### Jubilate

Psalm 100

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; \* serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; \* he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; \* give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; \* and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

Please be seated for the Readings

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#### The Psalm of the Day: 146

The leader to announce manner of recitation

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

#### THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Lesson: Hebrews 9 11-14

The Reader reads the Old Testament Lesson

<sup>11</sup> But 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), <sup>12</sup>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. <sup>13</sup>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, <sup>14</sup>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!

#### Nuevo Testamento: Hebreos 9:11-14

Cristo ya vino, y ahora él es el Sumo sacerdote de los bienes definitivos. El santuario donde él actúa como sacerdote es mejor y más perfecto, y no ha sido hecho por los hombres; es decir, no es de esta creación. <sup>12</sup> Cristo ha entrado en el santuario, ya no para ofrecer la sangre de chivos y becerros, sino su propia sangre; ha entrado una sola vez y para siempre, y ha obtenido para nosotros la liberación eterna. <sup>13</sup> Es verdad que la sangre de los toros y chivos, y las cenizas de la becerra que se quema en el altar, las cuales son rociadas sobre los que están impuros, tienen poder para consagrarlos y purificarlos por fuera. <sup>14</sup> Pero si esto es así, ¡cuánto más poder tendrá la sangre de Cristo! Pues por medio del Espíritu eterno, Cristo se ofreció a sí mismo a Dios como sacrificio sin mancha, y su sangre limpia nuestra conciencia de las obras que llevan a la muerte, para que podamos servir al Dios viviente.

*Reader:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People. *Answer:* Thanks be to God

Canticle N A Song of God's Love 1 John 4:7-11

Beloved, let us love one another, \* for love is of God. Whoever does not love does not know God, \* for God is Love. In this the love of God was revealed among us, \* that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through Jesus Christ. In this is love, not that we loved God but that God loved us \* and sent his Son that sins might be forgiven. Beloved, since God loved us so much, \* we ought also to love one another. For if we love one another, God abides in us, \* and God's love will be perfected in us. EOW p. 37-38

Officiant and People Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

#### Gospel Lesson: Mark 12:28-34

The Reader reads a lesson from the Gospel of Mark

<sup>28</sup> One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, he asked him, 'Which commandment is the first of all?' <sup>29</sup>Jesus answered, 'The first is, "Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; <sup>30</sup>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." <sup>31</sup>The second is this, "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." There is no other commandment greater than these.' <sup>32</sup>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"; <sup>33</sup>and "to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength", and "to love one's neighbour as oneself",—this is much more important than all whole burnt-offerings and sacrifices.' <sup>34</sup>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.

### El Evangelio: Marcos 12:28-34

<sup>28</sup>Al ver que Jesús les había contestado bien, uno de los maestros de la ley, que los había oído discutir, se acercó a él y le preguntó: -iCuál es el primero de todos los mandamientos?

<sup>29</sup> Jesús le contestó: —El primer mandamiento de todos es: "Oye, Israel: el Señor nuestro Dios es el único Señor. <sup>30</sup> Ama al Señor tu Dios con todo tu corazón, con toda tu alma, con toda tu mente y con todas tus fuerzas." <sup>31</sup> Pero hay un segundo: "Ama a tu prójimo como a ti mismo." Ningún mandamiento es más importante que éstos.

<sup>32</sup> El maestro de la ley le dijo: –Muy bien, Maestro. Es verdad lo que dices: hay un solo Dios, y no hay otro fuera de él. <sup>33</sup> Y amar a Dios con todo el corazón, con todo el entendimiento y con todas las fuerzas, y amar al prójimo como a uno mismo, vale más que todos los holocaustos y todos los sacrificios que se queman en el altar. <sup>34</sup> Al ver Jesús que el maestro de la ley había contestado con buen sentido, le dijo: – No estás lejos del reino de Dios.

Y ya nadie se atrevía a hacerle más preguntas.

*Reader:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People. *Answer:* Thanks be to God

SERMON – Today's Sermon, from "Sermons that Work" is entitled *Love is not easy, but it is Necessary,* by The Rev. Kathleen Walker. Rev. Walker is Associate Rector of Parish Life and Pastoral Care at St. John's in Tallahassee, FL.

#### THE CREED AND THE PRAYERS

The Apostles' Creed

Officiant and People together say, all standing I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. 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. 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. Amen.

#### The Lord's Prayer

The people stand or kneel

Officiant and People Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, And deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, And the glory are yours, Now and for ever. Amen.

#### Suffrage A

- V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
- R. And grant us your salvation.
- V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
- R. Let your people sing with joy.
- V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
- R. For only in you can we live in safety.
- V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
- R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
- V. Let your way be known upon earth;
- R. Your saving health among all nations.
- V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
- R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
- V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
- R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

#### The Officiant and People then says the following Collects

#### The Collect of the Day, said in unison

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.

#### The Diocesan Collect, said in unison

Gracious God, through the movement of your Holy Spirit, strengthen us here at St. Paul's by-the-Sea and in the Diocese of Easton as an inviting and welcoming people; receive our worship, nurture our life in Christ that we may evermore faithfully serve all your people, both near and far; this we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Clergy Search Prayer, said in unison

Gracious God, we are reminded of your gifts in and for all the children of the Church. Call on us now; use us, in service of your whole Church. As we work to call a new pastor to our congregation, may your Holy Spirit lead us to discern the gifts we seek and see those gifts clearly in candidates you are sending us. In our communications, interviews and meetings with them, may we find ourselves once again who we surely are in Christ Jesus, stewards of your many gifts. Amen.

#### The Prayers of the People Form III

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The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; *That we all may be one.* 

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; On the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we give thanks for the witness of God's people at All Hallows, Snow Hill and their Deacon-in-Residence, the Rev. Andrew Cropper. On our Local Faith Communities Prayer Cycle we pray for Tyree AME Church, Berlin *That your Name may be glorified by all people.* 

We pray for Santosh, our Bishop and all bishops, priests, and deacons; That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; *That there may be justice and peace on the earth.* 

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble, especially those on our prayer list; That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest; Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy. On this day before All Saints' Day we remember those who are dear to our hearts including...

Guy Robins Ayres, III, Michael Gorman Mann, Chip Watson, Effie Mae Watson, Charles R. Watson, Marjolane Reilly Hopkins, William T. Hopkins, Hunt Galyon, Greg Guykendall *by Kay Ayres* 

Helen E. Ballard, Matthew Ballard Cooper, Gary T. Cooper, Lester S. Ballard, Lester V. Ballard *by Beverly Cooper* 

Jack Cramer, James & Margaret Anderson, Tom Anderson, Alice Cramer, Edward Brodniak, All beloved departed family and friends by Karen Cramer

Lila Argentina Reyes Rivera by Andy Diaz

Elaine & Robert Farley and Jim Farley by Jody Farley

Rex W. Hailey by Shirley Hailey

Ken MacMullin and Robert Williams Jr. by Elsie MacMullin

Mary Belle H. Holland and Janet H. Cherrix by Marlene H. Mumford

Charles Wright by Mary Wright

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

We pray for those celebrating birthdays this week, especially Linda Guerrieri, Joy Connor, Laura Hales; and those celebrating anniversaries, especially Regan & Julie Smith.

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

The Bishop has asked that we pray the following two prayers:

The Prayer for Peace

Eternal God, in whose perfect kingdom no sword is drawn but the sword of righteousness, no strength known but the strength of love: So mightily spread abroad your Spirit, that all peoples may be gathered under the banner of the Prince of Peace, as children of one Father; to whom be dominion and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.* 

#### The Prayer for the Human Family

O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 

We ask God to heal us, to show us the way to healing, to show us the way to be one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

#### A Prayer for Mission

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.* 

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#### Hymnal 293

#### Hymn

 I sing a song of the saints of God, patient and brave and true, who toiled and fought and lived and died for the Lord they loved and knew.
And one was a doctor, and one was a queen, and one was a shepherdess on the green: they were all of them saints of God-and I mean, God helping, to be one too.

2. They loved their Lord so dear, so dear, and his love made them strong; and they followed the right, for Jesus' sake, the whole of their good lives long. And one was a soldier, and one was a priest, and one was slain by a fierce wild beast: and there's not any reason, no, not the least why I shouldn't be one too.

3. They lived not only in ages past,there are hundreds of thousands still;the world is bright with the joyous saintswho love to do Jesus' will.You can meet them in school, or in lanes, or at sea,in church, or in trains, or in shops, or at tea;for the saints of God are just folk like me,and I mean to be one too.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS & OFFERING**

#### The General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness

to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. *Amen*.

#### A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.* 

Then may be said Officiant: Let us bless the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

#### **Closing Hymn**

1 Ye watchers and ye holy ones, bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones, raise the glad strain, Alleluia! Cry out, dominions, princedoms, powers, virtues, archangels, angels' choirs, Hymnal 618

Alleluia! alleluia! alleluia! Alleluia! alleluia!

2 O higher than the cherubim, more glorious than the seraphim, lead their praises, Alleluia! Thou bearer of the eternal Word, most gracious, magnify the Lord, Alleluia! alleluia! alleluia! Alleluia! alleluia!

3 Respond, ye souls in endless rest, ye patriarchs and prophets blest, Alleluia, alleluia! Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong, all saints triumphant, raise the song, Alleluia! alleluia! alleluia! Alleluia! alleluia!

4 O friends, in gladness let us sing, supernal anthems echoing, Alleluia, alleluia! To God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, Three in One, Alleluia! alleluia! alleluia! Alleluia! alleluia!

#### DISMISSAL

Officiant

"Life is short. We don't have much time to gladden the hearts of those who walk this way with us. So, be swift to love and make haste to be kind." — Henri-Frédéric Amiel

### Heritage Sunday:

Today is our designated **Heritage Sunday in the Diocese of Easton**, established to remember our particular history in the life of our Diocese.

The Diocese of Easton was created on October 12, 1868 through action by the General Convention. Prior to that, it had been a part of the Diocese of Maryland. However, the physical distance from the bigger cities of the Diocese (Baltimore and Washington) and the availability of the Bishop for visitation contributed to the desire of the Eastern Shore churches to separate from the Diocese. Easton was chosen as the namesake and the seat of the Diocese, as it was the largest city on the Eastern Shore. In November of 1868, the first Diocesan convention was held in which Henry C. Lay, Missionary Bishop of Arkansas, was elected the first Bishop of the Diocese of Easton, on the fourth ballot.

St. Paul's by-the-Sea in Ocean City began as a mission church of St. Paul's, Berlin, holding summer services beginning in 1878 led by the Rector of St. Paul's. The earliest services were held in the Congress Hall Hotel, whose site in now the Ocean City inlet!

In 1898, a Mr. John Waggaman gave two lots at Baltimore and Third Street for the construction of a church. Mr. Waggaman was an investor in many of the early Ocean City enterprises, and even served as Mayor from 1902 – 1903. The cornerstone for the parish was laid on June 6, 1900, and the first service was held on June 7, 1901. The church was designated a mission church until 1920, when it was recognized as an independent parish in the Diocese of Easton.

Since that time in 1920, St. Paul's by-the-Sea has remained at the corner of 3<sup>rd</sup> and Baltimore. Our history has been marked by tragedy and grace, conflict and resolution. We are excited and hopeful as we enter 2022.

*Please note: The information about the Diocese is taken from* A History of the Diocese of Easton: How the First Parishes, Geography, and Urbanization Shaped the Diocese, written by David N. Michaud, April 16, 2007, available as part of the History of Our Diocese, <u>dioceseofeaston.org</u>. *Please take the time to read this fascinating history of our Diocese*.

# Welcome to St. Paul's by-the-Sea Episcopal Church

### Prayer List

Robbie Whittington Joyce, Cindy Dreslin, Kyle Harmon, Shirley Connor, Jose Cabrera, Ryan Fischer, Katlyn, David Warren, Letty Trimper Hurst, Rev. Penny Morrow, Fr. Joe Rushton, Connie Mayers, Doug Dryden, Brian Friedman, Grace, Fr. Ron Knapp, Delores Rothermel, Ronnie Skinner, Patricia Mulcahy, Randy Hastings, Gary Ballard, Hugh, Frank Candeloro, Jr., John Rogers, John Seward, Stephanie Hill, Douglas Allan, Yvetta Henry Tull, Melvin, Jimmy Farley, Alex Hoffman, Jonathan Jones, Jean Charles

### This Week We Pray For ...

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: We give thanks for the witness of God's people at All Hallows, Snow Hill and their Deacon-in-Residence, the Rev. Andrew Cropper.

Local Faith Communities Prayer Cycle: Tyree AME Church, Berlin

Birthdays: Linda Guerrieri, Joy Connor, Laura Hales

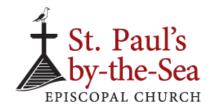
Anniversaries: Regan & Julie Smith

Altar Flowers: Given in loving memory of Ken MacMullin by Elsie MacMullin

# **October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021 – November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
October 31 XXIII Pentecost 10 am Morning Prayer w/ Lay Worship Leaders In-Person & Facebook	November I	2	3	4	5	6
November 7 XXIV Pentecost 10 am Holy Eucharist w/ Pastor Karen Wamester Malcolm In-Person & Facebook	8	9	10	I I VETERANS DAY Church Office Closed	12	13 Atlantic UMC Christmas Bazaar I0am-2pm
November 14 <b>XXV Pentecost</b> 10 am Morning Prayer w/ Lay Worship Leaders In-Person & Facebook	15 Book Club 4pm via Zoom	16	17 Vestry Mtg. 5:30pm SPBTS	18 Winterfest of Lights Opening 5:30pm	19	20
November 21 Last Pentecost 10 am Morning Prayer w/ Lay Worship Leaders In-Person & Facebook	22	23	24	25 THANKSGIVING DAY Church Office Closed	26 Church Office Closed	27

**Shepherds Crook** is open on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays in DeWees Hall from 10am to Noon, serving free dry food goods. On Saturdays the NOEL Community will provide free carry out lunches.



### "Love God, Serve the World"

The Rt. Rev. Santosh Marray, Bishop

<u>2022</u> Jerilyn Andrews John Knotts -- The Parish Vestry --<u>2023</u> Karen Gordon Paul Rogers Bob Rothermel

2024 Kay Ayres Tom Shuster

-- 2022 Diocesan Convention --Paul Rogers & Amy Rothermel — Delegates Karen Cramer & Nancy Knotts — Alternates

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