

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

Ocean City, Maryland



**Nineth Sunday after Pentecost**

August 7, 2022

# Holy Eucharist—Rite II

*Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place. I can feel His mighty power and His grace. I can hear the brush of angel's wings, I see glory on each face. Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.*

## Opening Hymn:

Hymnal 1982, #68

1 Rejoice! rejoice, believers, and let your lights appear!  
The evening is advancing, and darker night is near.  
The Bridegroom is arising, and soon he will draw nigh;  
up, watch with expectation! at the midnight comes the cry.

2 See that your lamps are burning, replenish them with oil;  
look now for your salvation, the end of sin and toil.  
The marriage-feast is waiting, the gates wide open stand;  
Rise up, ye heirs of glory, the Bridegroom is at hand!

3 Our hope and expectation, O Jesus, now appear;  
Arise, thou Sun so longed for, above this darkened sphere!  
With hearts and hands uplifted, we plead, O Lord, to see  
the day of earth's redemption, and ever be with thee!

## The Word of God

*A hymn, psalm, or anthem may be sung.  
The people standing, the Celebrant says*

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

*The Celebrant may say*  
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 following hymn is sung, all standing*

Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## **The Collect of the Day**

*The Celebrant says to the people*

The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*The Celebrant says the Collect.*

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## **The First Lesson:**

*A Reading (Lesson) from Isaiah, the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter beginning at the first verse.*

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah.

Hear the word of the Lord,  
you rulers of Sodom!

Listen to the teaching of our God,  
you people of Gomorrah!

What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices?  
says the Lord;

I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams  
and the fat of fed beasts;

I do not delight in the blood of bulls,  
or of lambs, or of goats.

When you come to appear before me,  
who asked this from your hand?  
Trample my courts no more;

bringing offerings is futile;  
incense is an abomination to me.

New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation~  
I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity.

Your new moons and your appointed festivals  
my soul hates;

they have become a burden to me,  
I am weary of bearing them.

When you stretch out your hands,  
I will hide my eyes from you;

even though you make many prayers,  
I will not listen;  
your hands are full of blood.

Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean;  
remove the evil of your doings  
from before my eyes;

cease to do evil,  
    learn to do good;  
seek justice,  
    rescue the oppressed,  
defend the orphan,  
    plead for the widow.  
Come now, let us argue it out,  
    says the Lord:  
though your sins are like scarlet,  
    they shall be like snow;  
though they are red like crimson,  
    they shall become like wool.  
If you are willing and obedient,  
    you shall eat the good of the land;  
but if you refuse and rebel,  
    you shall be devoured by the sword;  
    for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

*After each Reading, the Reader may say*  
The Word of the Lord.  
*People* Thanks be to God.

### **Psalm** 50:1-8, 23-24

- 1 The LORD, the God of gods, has spoken; \*  
    he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.
- 2 Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, \*  
    God reveals himself in glory.
- 3 Our God will come and will not keep silence; \*  
    before him there is a consuming flame,  
    and round about him a raging storm.
- 4 He calls the heavens and the earth from above \*  
    to witness the judgment of his people.

- 5 "Gather before me my loyal followers, \*  
those who have made a covenant with me  
and sealed it with sacrifice."
- 6 Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; \*  
for God himself is judge.
- 7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak:  
"O Israel, I will bear witness against you; \*  
for I am God, your God.
- 8 I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; \*  
your offerings are always before me.
- 23 Consider this well, you who forget God, \*  
lest I rend you and there be none to deliver you.
- 24 Whoever offers me the sacrifice of thanksgiving honors me; \*  
but to those who keep in my way will I show the salvation of God."

## The Second Reading

*A Reading (Lesson) from Hebrew, the 11<sup>th</sup> chapter beginning at the first verse.*

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old- and Sarah herself was barren- because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

*After each Reading, the Reader may say*

The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

### **Sequence Hymn:**

**Hymnal 1982, #533**

1 How wondrous and great thy works, God of praise!  
How just, King of saints, and true are thy ways!  
O who shall not fear thee, and honor thy Name?  
Thou only art holy, thou only supreme.

2 To nations of earth thy light shall be shown;  
their worship and vows shall come to thy throne:  
thy truth and thy judgments shall spread all abroad,  
till earth's every people confess thee their God.

### **Gospel**

*Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

"But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

*After the Gospel, the Reader says*

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## **The Sermon**

*Pastor Karen Wamester*

*On Sundays and other Major Feasts there follows, all standing*

## **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 VI

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;  
*For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.*

For this community, the nation, and the world;  
*For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.*

For the just and proper use of your creation;  
*For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.*

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;  
*For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.*

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;  
On the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we give thanks for all who serve on diocesan committees and ministries supporting Christ's mission in the world.  
We give thanks for the lay persons of our 40 parishes and missions in the Diocese of Easton, and pray for God's continued guidance of their wardens, vestry members, and all congregational leaders. On the Local Faith Communities Prayer Cycle, we pray for St. George Greek Orthodox Church, Ocean City.  
*For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.*

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Santosh our Bishop; and for all bishops, ministers, especially Pastor Karen, and deacons;  
*For all who serve God in his Church.*

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.  
*Silence*  
*The People may add their own petitions*

Hear us, Lord;  
*For your mercy is great.*

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.  
*Silence*  
*The People may add their own thanksgivings*

We pray for those celebrating birthdays this week, especially Rev. Penny Morrow; and for those celebrating anniversaries.

We will exalt you, O God our King;  
*And praise your Name for ever and ever.*

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.  
*Silence*  
*The People may add their own petitions*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;  
*Who put their trust in you.*

*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.

*Bishop's Prayer for Peace, said in unison*

God of timelessness,  
From chaos and disorder  
you brought forth the beauty of creation;  
From the chaos of war and violence  
Bring forth the beauty of peace.  
God of compassion  
You saw the humanity of the outcast and the stranger;  
Help us to see the evils of our hatreds and suspicions  
and to turn them into the embrace of your Beloved Community.  
God of peace, Through your love on the cross  
You overcame the power of violence and death;  
Turn us away from the love of power  
That we may transform a warring world through the power of your love.  
Amen

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

*Silence may be kept.*

*Leader and People*

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
in your compassion forgive us our sins,

known and unknown,  
things done and left undone;  
and so uphold us by your Spirit  
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,  
to the honor and glory of your Name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The Priest, stands and says*

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**

*All stand. The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **Holy Communion**

### **Offertory**

*The Celebrant says to the people*

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and  
sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

### **Doxology**

# Eucharistic Prayer C

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and sings or says*

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.

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

*Glory to you for ever and ever.*

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

*By your will they were created and have their being.*

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

*Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.*

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

*By his blood, he reconciled us.*

*By his wounds, we are healed.*

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

*Celebrant and People*

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

*The Celebrant continues*

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and  
made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before  
you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the  
Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the  
blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this  
sacrifice of thanksgiving,

*We celebrate his death and resurrection,  
as we await the day of his coming.*

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and  
Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our  
eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver  
us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace  
only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for  
renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one  
body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the  
world in his name.

*Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.*

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. *AMEN.*

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**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

*Then may be sung or said*

[Alleluia.] Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*Therefore let us keep the feast. [Alleluia.]*

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for  
you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith,  
with thanksgiving.

*The people receive the Sacrament in one kind. Proceed to the altar rail and exit by the side aisles.*

*The Bread is given to the communicants with these words*  
The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [Amen.]

### **Communion Hymn:**

**Hymnal 1982, #314**

1 Humbly I adore thee,  
Verity unseen,  
who thy glory hidest  
'neath these shadows mean;  
lo, to thee surrendered,  
my whole heart is bowed,  
tranced as it beholds thee,  
shrined within the cloud.

2 Taste and touch and vision  
to discern thee fail;  
faith, that comes by hearing,  
pierces through the veil.  
I believe whate'er  
the Son of God hath told;  
what the Truth hath spoken,  
that for truth I hold.

3 O memorial wondrous  
of the Lord's own death;  
living Bread that givest all  
they creatures breath,  
grant my spirit ever by  
thy life may live,  
to my taste thy sweetness  
never failing give.



4 Jesus, whom now hidden,  
I by faith behold,  
what my soul doth long for,  
that thy word foretold;  
face to face thy splendor,  
I at last shall see,  
in the glorious vision,  
blessed Lord, of thee.

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*  
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.

### **Closing Hymn:**

**Hymnal 1982, #637**

1 How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,  
is laid for your faith in his excellent word!  
What more can he say than to you he hath said,  
to you that for refuge to Jesus have fled?

2 "Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dismayed!  
For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;  
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

3 "When through the deep waters I call thee to go,  
the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;  
for I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,  
and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

4 "When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,  
my grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply;  
the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design  
thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

5 "The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,  
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;  
that soul, though all hell shall endeavor to shake,  
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake."

*The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses them with these words*

*Celebrant* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

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

*All baptized Christians, of any age & denomination, are welcome to receive communion.*

*\*\*Gluten Free Wafers are available.*

## 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, Dolores Rothermel, Randy Hastings, Gary Ballard, Hugh, Frank Candeloro, Jr., John Seward, Stephanie Hill, Douglas Allan, Yvetta Henry Tull, Melvin, Jean Charles, Jimmy Farley, Alex Hoffman, Jonathan Jones, Richard, Brad, Larry Lorton, Betty Merenda, Dee Toms, Bob Rothermel, The Lecates Family, The People of Ukraine, Lakelyn Draheim, Christopher Riley, Meredith Cobb, Alan Farley, Jennings Whittington, Michael Hallett, Hannah Johnson, Gordon Clark, Stacia, Ellis

## This Week We Pray For ...

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Local Faith Communities Prayer Cycle: St. George Greek Orthodox Church, Ocean City

Birthdays: Rev. Penny Morrow

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
August 7 <b>IX Pentecost</b> Holy Eucharist w/ Pastor Karen Wamester In-Person & Facebook	8	9	10	11	12	13
August 14 <b>X Pentecost</b> Morning Prayer w/ our Lay Worship Leaders In-Person & Facebook	15  Vestry Meeting 5:30pm SPBTS	16	17	18	19	20
August 21 <b>XI Pentecost</b> Morning Prayer w/ our Lay Worship Leaders In-Person & Facebook	22	23	24	25	26	27
August 28 <b>XII Pentecost</b> Holy Eucharist w/ Pastor Blake Wamester In-Person & Facebook	29	30	31	September 1	2	3

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