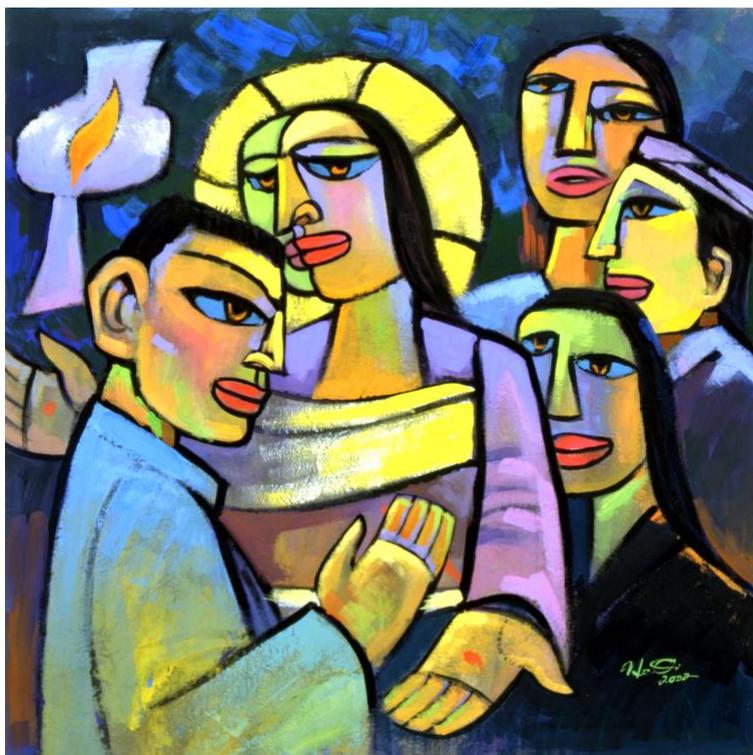


# St. Paul's Episcopal Church

*We are called to gather around the sacred story and table of Christ  
where all are invited to be fed and everyone's story matters.*

*All are welcome, no exceptions!*



**Second Sunday after Easter**

**April 28, 2019, 10:30 A.M.**

**The Liturgy of the Word**

## Processional Hymn #182 Christ is alive! Let Christians sing

Priest Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

### Gloria in excelsis: Glory to God

The musical score is written on six staves of music. Each staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#), and a 6/8 time signature. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The lyrics are: "Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. — Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, al- migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, — we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son — of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin — of the world; — have

mer - cy on us; — you are seat - ed at the right  
hand — of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our — prayer. — For  
you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, —  
you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,  
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - men.

### The Collect of the Day

Priest            The Lord be with you.

People            **And also with you.**

Priest            Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; 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

Acts 5:27-32

Lector A reading from the Book of Acts.

When the temple police had brought the apostles, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us."

But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

**People Thanks be to God**

## Psalm 118:14-29

Lector Let us read sections of Psalm 118 together responsively.

14 The LORD is my strength and my song, \*  
**and he has become my salvation.**

15 There is a sound of exultation and victory \*  
**in the tents of the righteous:**

16 "The right hand of the LORD has triumphed! \*  
**the right hand of the LORD is exalted!**  
**the right hand of the LORD has triumphed!"**

- 17 I shall not die, but live, \*  
**and declare the works of the LORD.**
- 18 The LORD has punished me sorely, \*  
**but he did not hand me over to death.**
- 19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; \*  
**I will enter them;**  
**I will offer thanks to the LORD.**
- 20 "This is the gate of the LORD; \*  
**he who is righteous may enter."**
- 21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me \*  
**and have become my salvation.**
- 22 The same stone which the builders rejected \*  
**has become the chief cornerstone.**
- 23 This is the LORD's doing, \*  
**and it is marvelous in our eyes.**
- 24 On this day the Lord has acted; \*  
**we will rejoice and be glad in it.**
- 25 Hosannah, Lord, hosannah! \*  
**Lord, send us now success.**
- 26 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; \*  
**we bless you from the house of the Lord.**
- 27 God is the Lord; he has shined upon us; \*  
**form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.**
- 28 "You are my God, and I will thank you; \*  
**you are my God, and I will exalt you."**
- 29 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; \*  
**his mercy endures for ever.**

## **The Second Lesson**

**Revelation 1:4-8**

Lector            A reading from the Book of Revelation.

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Lector            The Word of the Lord.

**People            Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual Hymn # 212** Awake, rise, lift up your voice

**The Gospel**

**John 20:19-31**

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

**People            Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you."

After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

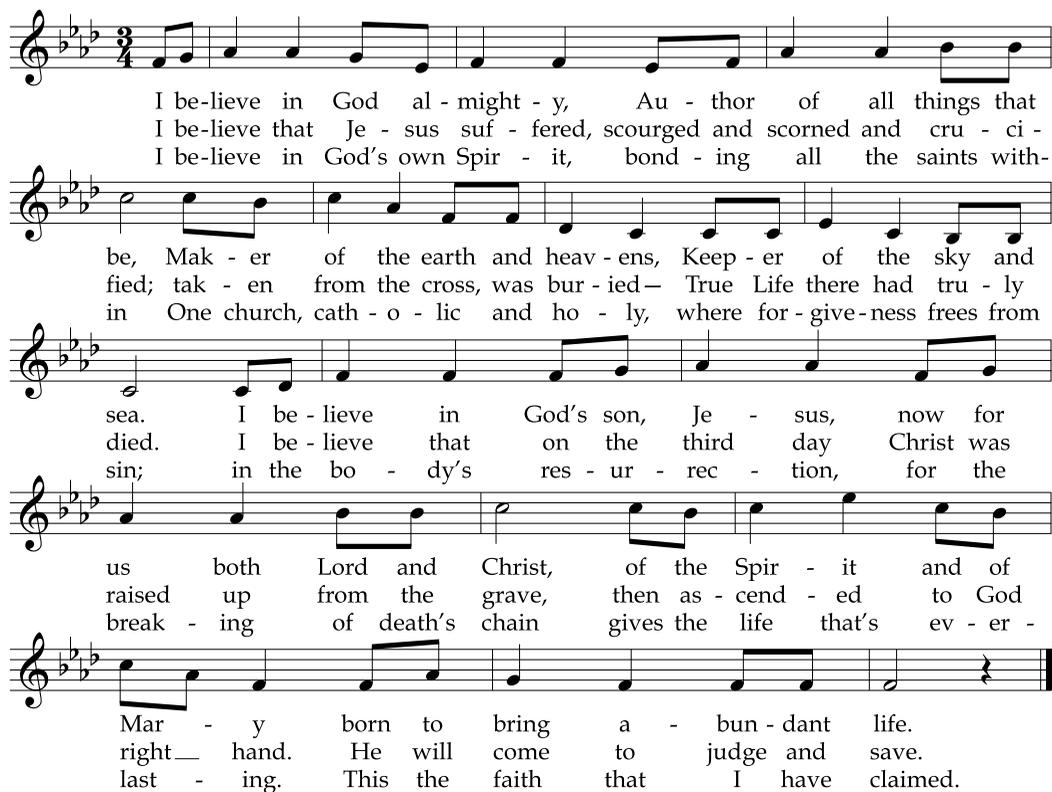
Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Priest            The Gospel of the Lord.

People            Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**The Sermon**

The Reverend Barbara A.T. Wilson  
The Creed



I be-lieve in God al - might - y, Au - thor of all things that  
I be-lieve that Je - sus suf - fered, scourged and scorned and cru - ci -  
I be-lieve in God's own Spir - it, bond - ing all the saints with -  
be, Mak - er of the earth and heav - ens, Keep - er of the sky and  
fied; tak - en from the cross, was bur - ied— True Life there had tru - ly  
in One church, cath - o - lic and ho - ly, where for - give - ness frees from  
sea. I be - lieve in God's son, Je - sus, now for  
died. I be - lieve that on the third day Christ was  
sin; in the bo - dy's res - ur - rec - tion, for the  
us both Lord and Christ, of the Spir - it and of  
raised up from the grave, then as - cend - ed to God  
break - ing of death's chain gives the life that's ev - er -  
Mar - y born to bring a - bun - dant life.  
right — hand. He will come to judge and save.  
last - ing. This the faith that I have claimed.

**Prayers of the People for Easter**

Intercessor Let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need,  
saying, God in your mercy, hear our prayer.

With joy, we pray for all Christian who are united this  
morning at the empty tomb. Help us see you, O God, in  
those we do not expect to encounter and remove all fear  
from our hearts.

*Silence*

Intercessor God in your mercy,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor With gratitude, we give you thanks for our newly baptized sisters and brothers in every land. Guide them and keep them, open their eyes again and again to your blessings.

*Silence*

God in your mercy,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor With humility, we pray for this planet, our home. Heal what we have scarred and broken; renew the face of Earth from north to south, from east to west so that your creation may speak to us of your goodness.

*Silence*

God in your mercy,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor With hope and love, we pray for the nations of the world, especially those places overwhelmed by war and conflict. By the light of the resurrection, destroy the shroud that is cast over all who live under dictatorship, in the clutches of propagandists, and in ignorance. Bless peacemakers who work to bring justice to their country, city, village, and household.

*Silence*

Intercessor God in your mercy,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor With compassion, wipe away the tears of all who weep. Give us the spiritual tools we need to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and comfort those who are in any trouble. Send your angels to watch over the vulnerable and sick. We pray especially for Gail, Puzz, John Lind, Tommie Vicente, Colleen Wilson, Joyce Kotvan, Chris Rogers, Zachary and the Jacobs family, Marilyn, Dorothy, Margaret, Patty, Kathy, David, Myrna, Terry Costello, Mike, and Rosemarie.

*Silence*

God in your mercy,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Strengthen our church's leaders, especially Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Jeff our Diocesan Bishop, and Barbara our priest. \*For our companion dioceses of Southeast Mexico and Renk in the South Sudan.

*Silence*

God in your mercy,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor We remember before you those who have died that your steadfast love may shelter them in the peace of your eternal light.

*Silence*

Intercessor God in your mercy,

**People Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor For all those needs still unnamed but placed before you now.  
(*The people may add their prayers either silently or out loud.*)

*Silence*

Intercessor God in your mercy,

**People**      **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor    Passing from darkness to light, from bondage to freedom,  
from death to life, we commend to you, gracious and ever-  
living God, all for whom we pray. **Amen**

### **The Peace**

Priest            The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People**      **And also with you.**

*Then we greet one another saying, "Peace be with you."*

### **The Holy Communion**

#### **The Offertory**

This is what the Lord asks of you and only this: that act justly,  
love tenderly, and walk humbly with your God." (Micah 6:8)

#### **Offertory Anthem**

The St. Paul's Choirs

*With A Voice of Singing*      *Martin Shaw*

#### **The Great Thanksgiving**

*Enriching Our Worship, Eucharistic Prayer 3*

Priest            The Lord be with you.

**People**      **And also with you.**

Priest            Lift up your hearts.

**People**      **We lift them to the Lord.**

Priest            Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People**      **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Priest

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

**Sanctus:** Holy, holy, holy Lord

Ho - ly, ho - ly,  
 ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
 Heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry Ho - san - na in the  
 high - est. Bless - ed is  
 he who comes in the name of the  
 Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Priest

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and

said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

### **Priest and People**

**Dying, you destroyed our death.  
Rising, you restored our life.  
Christ Jesus, come in glory!**

Priest

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Priest            Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

**People            Blessed are you now and for ever. Amen**

Priest: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**In Unison**

**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 have sinned 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 forever. Amen**

**The Breaking of the Bread**

**Fraction Anthem: Lamb of God: *Agnus Dei***

Lamb of God, you take a-way the  
sins of the world: \_\_\_ have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a-way the sins of the world: \_\_\_ grant us peace.

Priest The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*(Anyone seeking a closer relationship with God through Jesus Christ is welcome to come forward to share the bread ("host") and wine at the Lord's table. The host is placed in your open hands; please assist in guiding the chalice to your lips, or dip the host in the wine. We have gluten free hosts available, ask the priest at the rail. It is acceptable to receive only the bread or the wine. If you would rather not receive communion, you are invited to come to the rail for a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest and the priest will say a prayer for you.)*

**Communion Hymn # 209 We walk by faith and not by sight**

**Prayer after Communion**

Priest            Let us pray.

**Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

### **The Easter Blessing**

Priest

The Wisdom of God, the Love of God and the Grace of God strengthen you to be Christ's hands and heart in this world, in the name of the Holy Trinity. **Amen**

**Recessional Hymn # 494 Crown Him with Many Crowns**

### **Dismissal**

Priest            Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth in the name of Christ!

People            Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

## **Easter Flower Offerings**

**Pat Brown**

*~In Thanksgiving for Laura, and For Peace in the World~*

**Heidi Haverkamp and Adam Frieberg**

*~In Thanksgiving for our wonderful Music Program~*

**Maureen Gerrity**

*~In Memory of Little Pat Gerrity and Katya and Olivia Snyder~*

**Henry Leonard**

*~In Memory of Eva Marie Leonard~*

**Vince and Pat McMahon**  
*~In Thanksgiving for Ryan~*

**Jacqueline and Martin Mounts**  
*~In Honor of our Parents, William and Lillie Maude May  
To Celebrate the Love of our Children and Their Spouses  
and Our Grandchildren~*

**Peggy Newby**  
*~In Memory of Art Fields~*

**Rhys and Jocelyn Prall**  
*~In Memory of Rev. Charles and Emily Brieant  
Betsy Brieant Baer and Ivan and Betty Prall~*

**Gretchen Schlabach and Lorraine Langer**  
*~In Memory of Tom and Ruth Schlabach and Donald Langer~*

**Barbara Wilson and Lynne Jacobson**  
*~In Memory of Daniel Thomas Wilson~*

**Welcome to St. Paul's Episcopal Church**  
**DeKalb, Illinois, Diocese of Chicago**  
**Member of the Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion**

**Celebration of the Holy Eucharist**  
Sundays 8:00 AM (spoken service); 10:30 AM (with music)

Child care for infants & young children is available  
Sundays 9:15 A.M. - 11:45 A.M. in the Nursery.

**Christian Education Classes**  
Sundays: Christian formation classes for all ages.  
Children meet in the St. Timothy Center, Sunday mornings, 9:30-10:15 AM

Adult Formation meets in the Conference Room or Parish Hall

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Lorraine Langer, Director of Music

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**Our Wardens and Vestry**

Marv Kombrink, Senior Warden,

Maureen Gerrity, Junior Warden,

Pat Brown, Treasurer, Rebecca Smith, Clerk,

Terry Dickow, Donna de Oliveira

**Today's Ministers**

The Reverend Barbara A. T. Wilson	Presiding
Adam Frieberg	Eucharistic Minister
Lynne Jacobson	Second Chalice
Gretchen Schlabach	Acolyte
Melissa Fickling	Lector
Bill Cummings	Intercessor
Bill and Jennie Cummings	Ushers
Jane Nenonen	Altar Guild
Lori Judkins	Coffee Hour
Julie Rogers, Brittany Altepeter	Nursery

**Today, Sunday, April 28, 2019, Second Sunday after Easter**

The Holy Eucharist, Rite I	8:00 A.M.	Sanctuary
Low Sunday Brunch	9:00 A.M.	Parish Hall
Nursery and Childcare Available	9:15-11:45 A.M.	St. Timothy Ctr.
Choir Rehearsal	10:00 A.M.	Parish Hall
The Holy Eucharist, Rite II	10:30 A.M.	Sanctuary
Vestry Meeting	12:15 P.M.	Conf. Room

This Week - April 28, 2019 through May 5, 2019			
Mon	Apr 29	Set up for Installation	10:00 A.M. Parish Hall
Tue	Apr 30	Installation of Mother Barbara	7:00 P.M. Sanctuary
		Reception	Parish Hall
Thu	May 2	Book Club	5:30 P.M. Conf. Room
		Children's Choir Rehearsal	6:00 P.M. Parish Hall
		Adult/Youth Choir Rehearsal	7:00 P.M. Parish Hall
Fri	May 3	Mindfulness Meditation	12:00 P.M. Sanctuary
		NIU Student Voice Recital	7:30 P.M. Sanctuary
Sat	May 4	Funeral	12:00 P.M. Sanctuary and PH
Sun	May 5	Holy Eucharist, Rite I	8:00 A.M. Sanctuary
		Children's Sunday School	9:30 A.M. St. Timothy Ctr.
		Nursery/ Childcare	9:15-11:45 A.M. St. Timothy Ctr
		Choral Anthem Rehearsal	10:00 A.M. Parish Hall
		The Holy Eucharist, Rite II	10:30 A.M. Sanctuary
		Coffee and Fellowship	11:30 A.M. Parish Hall

## Announcements

*Welcome! If you are worshipping here for the first time, please sign our guest book. You are welcome to join us for refreshments after the service in the Parish Hall.*

### From Mother Barbara

I have a huge request to make of everyone at the Episcopal Church of St. Paul, at least for the next year or so, while I am acclimating myself to St. Paul's culture and how you do things, as I hope to learn how best to support you all in your various endeavors as God's people. Please run all announcements, ideas for projects to

enhance the life of the congregation, past me before sharing them generally with the congregation. This will help me to understand how things generically flow from your ministries and the overall ministry of St. Paul's into the community. I welcome everyone's observations regarding this and your feedback! Thank you.

In Christ,  
Barbara+

### **Celebration of New Ministry**

We will celebrate The Reverend Barbara A.T. Wilson's installation as Rector at St. Paul's on **Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup>**, at 7:00 PM. The Right Reverend Jeffrey Lee will preside and The Reverend David Pike will preach. A reception will follow. All are welcome!

### **Mindfulness Meditation**

A new group has formed for Mindfulness Meditation with Mother Barbara, offering guidance in mindfulness meditation. The sessions will be held on **Fridays at noon in the Sanctuary** to provide an opportunity to sit in holy silence with others to share the present moment. Each session will be a little less than an hour in duration.

### **Beloved Community Dinner**

The 52<sup>nd</sup> Beloved Community Potluck Dinner will be held **Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>** from 6:00-8:30 PM at the Baptist Campus Ministry at 449 Normal Road in DeKalb IL. The evening is co-hosted by New Hope Missionary Baptist Church and Baptist Campus Ministry. It's asked that you bring a dish or two to pass, but even if you can't, you are still welcome to come. Please call or text Beth Campen, 779-212-0904 or email her at [kecampen@gmail.com](mailto:kecampen@gmail.com).

### **Book Club**

On **May 2<sup>nd</sup>** from 5:30-7:00PM, we will meet to begin our discussion *Life Together – The Classic Exploration of Christian Community* by Dietrich Bonhoeffer. This book was suggested by Sandra Lee and it may provide us with additional food for thought and action as follow-up to the Richard Rohr presentation during Lent. All are welcome and invited to bring your dinner or late afternoon snack. We will meet in the Conference Room.

### **Give DeKalb County**

On **May 2<sup>nd</sup>**, Give Dekalb County will enable many organizations in DeKalb County continue to serve residents, including those that St. Paul's supports, such as Love INC, Safe Passage, and Tails Humane Society, as well as some supported by members: Barb City Manor, DeKalb Festival Chorus and Kishwaukee Valley Art League. Check the website at [www.givedekalbcounty.org](http://www.givedekalbcounty.org).

### **The Lobsters are Coming!**

But fortunately not quite yet. It is time to start thinking about Lobster Boil, which will occur on **Saturday May 18<sup>th</sup>**. Please mark your calendars! We need everyone to help out on that day. If anyone would like to help coordinate some of the Lobster Boil activities, please let me know. Thanks! Rick Johns, [mitrick.a.johns@gmail.com](mailto:mitrick.a.johns@gmail.com) or 815-748-5896.

### **Communication!!!!**

There are a lot of things happening at St. Paul's! A new form has been developed so that the office can keep up with events and programs and be sure information is communicated to all who should know. In addition, the new Audio Video System in the Parish Hall has many capabilities for streaming, playing DVD's, slide shows, music, etc. To both ends, we are asking that you fill out a Communication and Tech Request Form for your events and

email or turn it in to the office. Copies of the form will be available in the Parish Office and on the table in the Parish Hall. If you need help putting an announcement together, Susan is happy to assist.

### **For more information about St. Paul's**

Go to our website, [www.stpaulsdekalb.org](http://www.stpaulsdekalb.org) - to hear the Sermons, Announcements, Schedules, Mars Hill Newsletter, etc. The Church of St. Paul is on Facebook and Twitter! Like our page and sign up to follow us to get the latest updates on what's going on!

### **St. Paul's is an affirming and inclusive Christian community!**

Striving through worship, love and service to welcome all people just as God created you. No matter where you are on your journey of faith, and whether you are single, married, divorced, separated, or partnered, our welcome knows no boundaries of age, race, ethnicity, culture, gender expression, sexual orientation, economic condition, physical or mental ability. We believe that God delights in the diversity of creation and so do we! All are welcome, no exceptions!

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## **Household Prayer: Morning**

*Gracious God, you are the God who is and was and is to be.  
Thank you that Christ has freed us to be a kingdom of priests*

*serving you and your world. Give me a deeper sense, as I move through this day, of what it means to say that you are my "Alpha and Omega," my A to Z. Amen.*

## **Household Prayer: Evening**

*Jesus, tonight I remember that your gospel gives me the power to forgive any and all, through the gift of your Holy Spirit, and that includes forgiving myself. Breathe your peace into me so that even if I pierced you today, I can still see you coming to embrace me with your freedom and love this night. Amen.*

### *A word about the Household Prayers:*

These prayers are printed on a page of their own so that you can tear them out and use them in your devotions at home. These prayers come from an anthology titled *Feasting on the Word*, that includes several liturgies for services. The prayers reflect the readings of the week, including special feast days.