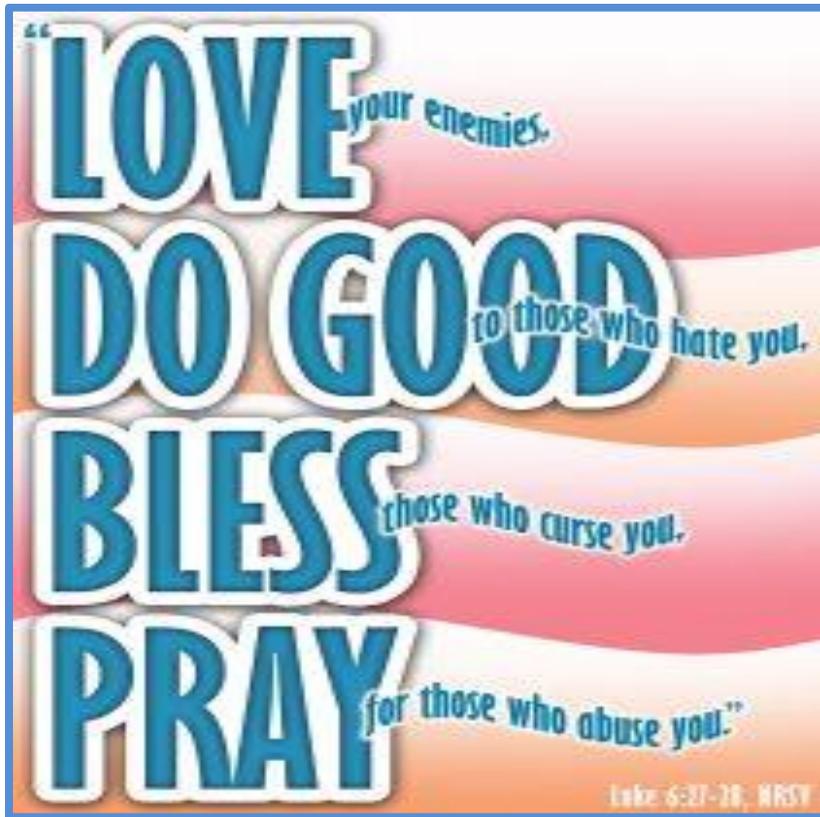


# St. Paul's Episcopal Church

*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. All are welcome, no exceptions!*



**The Seventh Sunday of Epiphany**

**February 24, 2019, 8:00 A.M.**

**Rite I**

# The Holy Eucharist Rite I

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The Collect of the Day

The Seventh Sunday of Epiphany

Priest            The Lord be with you.

**People            And with thy spirit.**

Priest            Let us pray.

O Lord, who hast taught us that all our doings without charity are nothing worth: Send thy Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of charity, the very bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whosoever liveth is counted dead before thee. Grant this for thine only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**The First Lesson**

**Genesis 45:3-11,15**

Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt.

Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there--since there are five more years of famine to come--so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.'"

And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

### **The Psalm**

**Psalm 37:1-12,41-42**

- 1 Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; \*  
do not be jealous of those who do wrong.**
- 2 For they shall soon wither like the grass, \*  
and like the green grass fade away.**
- 3 Put your trust in the LORD and do good; \*  
dwell in the land and feed on its riches.**
- 4 Take delight in the LORD, \*  
and he shall give you your heart's desire.**
- 5 Commit your way to the LORD and put your trust in him, \*  
and he will bring it to pass.**
- 6 He will make your righteousness as clear as the light \*  
and your just dealing as the noonday.**
- 7 Be still before the LORD \*  
and wait patiently for him.**
- 8 Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, \*  
the one who succeeds in evil schemes.**
- 9 Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; \*  
do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.**
- 10 For evildoers shall be cut off, \*  
but those who wait upon the LORD shall possess the land.**

**11 In a little while the wicked shall be no more; \*  
you shall search out their place, but they will not be there.**

**12 But the lowly shall possess the land; \*  
they will delight in abundance of peace.**

**41 But the deliverance of the righteous comes from the LORD; \*  
he is their stronghold in time of trouble.**

**42 The LORD will help them and rescue them; \*  
he will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them,  
because they seek refuge in him.**

## **The Second Lesson**

## **1 Corinthians 15:35-38,42-50**

Someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body.

So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. Thus it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven.

What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

## The Gospel

Luke 6:27-38

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

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

Jesus said, "I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

"If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

"Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Reverend Barbara A.T. Wilson

The Nicene Creed

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## Prayers of the People

Intercessor In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. (*Silence*)  
For all people in their daily life and work;

**People For our families, friends, and neighbors,  
and for those who are alone.**

Intercessor For this community, the nation, and the world;

**People For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Intercessor For the just and proper use of your creation;

**People For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Intercessor For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

**People For those who minister to the sick, the friendless,  
and the needy.**

Intercessor For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

**People For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Intercessor For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Jeff, our Diocesan Bishop,  
and for all other ministers;

**People For all who serve God in his Church.**

Intercessor For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. We  
especially pray this week for Gail, Puzz, Joyce Kotvan, Chris  
Rogers, Zachary and the Jacobs family, Marilyn, Dorothy,  
Margaret, Patty, Kathy, David, Clark, Myrna, Terry Costello, and  
Rosemarie.

*(The People may add their own petitions.)*

Intercessor Hear us, Lord;

**People For your mercy is great.**

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

Intercessor We will exalt you, O God our King;



**The Post Communion Prayer**

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**The Blessing**

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**The Dismissal**

**Priest:** Let us go forth in the name of Christ

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**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

**St. Paul's Episcopal Church**

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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

## This Week at St. Paul's

<b>Today, Sunday, February 24, 2019, Seventh Sunday of the Epiphany</b>		
The Holy Eucharist, Rite I	8:00 A.M.	Sanctuary
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
Coffee Hour and Fellowship	11:30 A.M.	Parish Hall

<b>This Week - February 24, 2019 through March 3, 2019</b>				
Thu	Feb 28	Children's Choir Rehearsal	6:00 P.M.	Sanctuary
		Adult Choir Rehearsal	7:00 P.M.	PH/Sanctuary
Sun	Mar 3	The Holy Eucharist, Rite I	8:00 A.M.	Sanctuary
		Kids USA Training	9:00 A.M.	Parish Hall
		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.*

### 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!

### Rite I Service

The Rite I spoken service will now be held every Sunday except for the fifth Sundays of each month: March 31<sup>st</sup>, June 30<sup>th</sup>, September 29<sup>th</sup>, and December 29<sup>th</sup>.

### Important Dates For Your Calendar

March 6	Ash Wednesday
March 10	First Sunday Lent
April 14	Palm Sunday
April 18	Maundy Thursday
April 19	Good Friday
April 20	Easter Vigil Saturday
April 21	Easter Sunday
April 30	Celebration of a New Ministry, 7:00 PM Service
May 5	Low Sunday Brunch
May 18	Lobster Boil

## **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.stpaulsdekab.org](http://www.stpaulsdekab.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!

## **Citations**

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**Prayers of the People:** Book of Common Prayer, Form VI

## **Household Prayer: Morning**

*In the morning when I rise, O God, you are with me strong and sure, turning my dreams into insights and teaching me the delights of your law. You preserve my life day after day, and in return, I rejoice at the new dawn. Guard my waiting this day, O Lord, guide my feet and my hands, give me stillness and patience so that I may give delight to myself and to those I meet; in Jesus' name I pray. Amen.*

## **Household Prayer: Evening**

*Lord, throughout this day you have rescued us from harm and despair, giving us instead the joy of accomplishment and fellowship with our family and friends. Protect us through the night, Holy One, that in our dreams we will not be shaken but will see you face to face and wake renewed.  
We take refuge in you; in Jesus' name. 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 and liturgies reflect the readings of the week, including special feast days.