

# 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!*



**Fifth Sunday after Easter  
May 19, 2019, 10:30 A.M.**

## The Liturgy of the Word

**Processional Hymn # 457** Thou art the Way, to thee alone

**Priest** Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**People** The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

**Gloria in excelsis: Glory to God**

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 God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns

with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## **The First Lesson**

**Acts 11:1-18**

Lector            A reading from the Book of Acts.

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision.

There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven.

At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.'

If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

Lector            The Word of the Lord.

**People            Thanks be to God**

### **Psalm 148**

Lector            Let us read Psalm 148 together responsively.

1 Hallelujah!

Praise the Lord from the heavens; \*  
**praise him in the heights.**

2 Praise him, all you angels of his; \*  
**praise him, all his host.**

3 Praise him, sun and moon; \*  
**praise him, all you shining stars.**

4 Praise him, heaven of heavens, \*  
**and you waters above the heavens.**

5 Let them praise the Name of the Lord; \*  
**for he commanded, and they were created.**

6 He made them stand fast for ever and ever; \*  
**he gave them a law which shall not pass away.**

7 Praise the Lord from the earth, \*  
**you sea-monsters and all deeps;**

8 Fire and hail, snow and fog, \*  
**tempestuous wind, doing his will;**

9 Mountains and all hills, \*  
**fruit trees and all cedars;**

10 Wild beasts and all cattle, \*  
**creeping things and winged birds;**

11 Kings of the earth and all peoples, \*  
**princes and all rulers of the world;**

12 Young men and maidens, \*  
**old and young together.**

13 Let them praise the Name of the Lord, \*  
**for his Name only is exalted,  
his splendor is over earth and heaven.**

14 He has raised up strength for his people  
and praise for all his loyal servants, \*  
**the children of Israel, a people who are near him.  
Hallelujah!**

## The Second Lesson

## Revelation 21:1-6

Lector            A reading from the Book of Revelation.

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals.  
He will dwell with them as their God;  
they will be his peoples,  
and God himself will be with them;  
he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;  
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,  
for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

Lector            The Word of the Lord.

**People            Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual Hymn # 487** Come, my Way, my Truth

**The Gospel**

**John 13:31-35**

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

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

At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

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  
I be - lieve that Je - sus suf - fered, scourged and  
I be - lieve in God's own Spir - it, bond - ing



of all things that be, Mak - er of the earth and  
scorned and cru - ci - fied; tak - en from the cross, was  
all the saints with - in One church, cath - o - lic and



heav - ens, Keep - er of the sky and sea. I be -  
bur - ied— True Life there had tru - ly died. I be -  
ho - ly, where for - give - ness frees from sin; in the



lieve in God's son, Je - sus, now for us both Lord and  
lieve that on the third day Christ was raised up from the  
bo - dy's res - ur - rec - tion, for the break - ing of death's



Christ, of the Spir - it and of Mar - y born to  
grave, then as - cend - ed to God right hand. He will  
chain gives the life that's ev - er - last - ing. This the



bring a - bun - dant life.  
come to judge and save.  
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.

Intercessor 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.)*

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.**

### **The Holy Communion**

#### **The Offertory**

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

**Offertory Hymn # 624** Jerusalem the golden

#### **The Great Thanksgiving**

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.

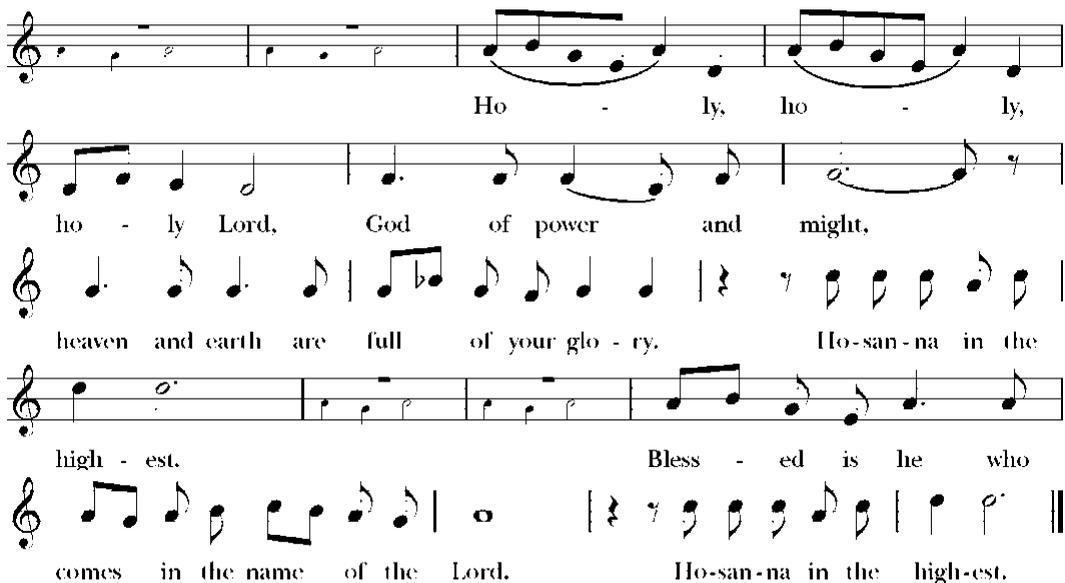
**People** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

**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: Christ our Passover S 155**

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass-o - ver is  
sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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 # 328** Draw nigh and take the Body of the Lord

### **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.**

### **Announcements, Special Prayers and Blessings**

#### **Priest**

God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant, Jacob Maas, as he begins another year. Grant that he may grow in

wisdom and grace, and strengthen his trust in your goodness all the days of his life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **Priest**

Gracious Creator: You blessed the marriage of two people with your love years ago. Amid the joys and struggles of their life you have preserved and strengthened the covenant between them; bless and renew that covenant now, increase your love in them, and strengthen their bond of peace, so that surrounded by their children, family and friends, they may always rejoice in the gift of their love for one another and for your enduring love that blesses their days together. This we ask through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **Priest**

O God, whose beauty and intention fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: preserve those who travel; surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them in safety to their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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 # 296** We know that Christ is raised and dies no more

### **Dismissal**

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

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

**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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Susan King, Administrative Assistant  
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Julie Rogers, Brittany Altepeter, Karyn Perkins, Nursery Attendants

**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
Bill Cummings	Eucharistic Minister
Adam Frieberg	Second Chalice
Ava Stubblefield	Acolyte
Sandra Lee	Lector
Marilyn Cleland	Intercessor
Jane and George Nenonen	Ushers
Mary Lincoln	Flower Guild
Jocelyn Prall	Altar Guild
	Coffee Hour
Julie Rogers, Karyn Perkins	Nursery

<b>Today, Sunday, May 19, 2019, Fifth Sunday after Easter</b>		
The Holy Eucharist, Rite I	8:00 A.M.	Sanctuary
Children's Sunday School	9:30 A.M.	St. Timothy Ctr.
Nursery and Childcare Available	9:15-11:45 A.M.	St. Timothy Ctr.
<i>No Choir Rehearsal</i>		
The Holy Eucharist, Rite II	10:30 A.M.	Sanctuary
Coffee and Fellowship	11:30 A.M.	Parish Hall
Vestry Meeting	12:15 P.M.	Conf. Room

<b>This Week - May 19, 2019 through May 26, 2019</b>				
Thu	May 23	Children's Choir Rehearsal TBD	6:00 P.M.	Parish Hall
		Adult/Youth Choir Rehearsal	7:00 P.M.	Parish Hall
Fri	May 24	Mindfulness Meditation	12:00 P.M.	Sanctuary
Sun	May 26	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+

#### **The St. Paul's Choirs Schedule**

Will be singing with our worship services up through Pentecost. The choirs will be singing for Pentecost Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup> and will then be off for the summer, returning for rehearsals Thursday, September 5<sup>th</sup> and Sunday worship services starting September 9<sup>th</sup>.

#### **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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**Prelude:** I Know That My Redeemer Liveth

William Stickles

## **Household Prayer: Morning**

*Delivering God, each day we awaken to your goodness and our hearts cry out in praise as you set us to tasks for the life of the world. Do not let us hinder your love, but strengthen our will, as we offer thanks in every simple gesture of this day. Amen.*

## **Household Prayer: Evening**

*Faithful God, the nightly dance of earth, moon, and stars speaks of your gift: love given, love received. We give thanks this night for the love you have shown to us this day. Let us rest in your peace and awaken in joy. 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.