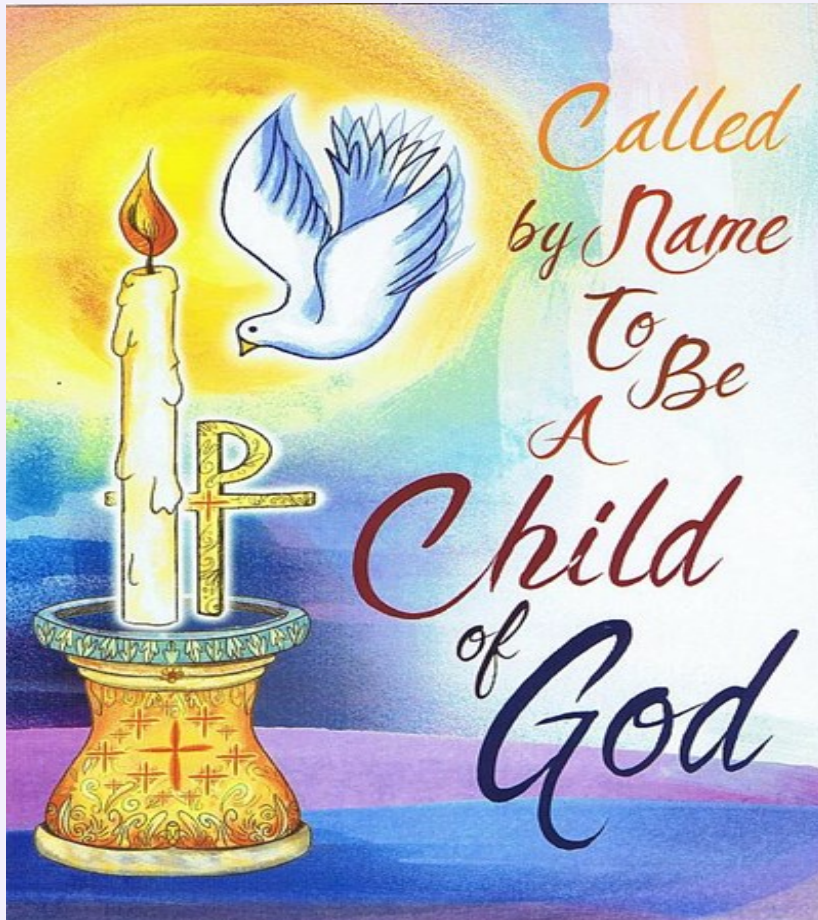


# St. Paul's Episcopal Church

## Holy Baptism

November 12, 2023

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

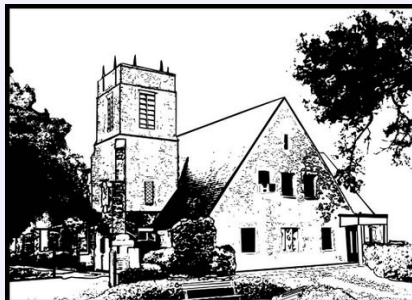


To All who are weary and need rest;  
To All who are lowly and want friendship;  
To All who mourn and need comfort;  
To all who pray and all who do not, but ought;  
To All who sin and need a Savior, and to whomsoever  
will come...

The Church opens the door and says in the  
name of the Master

### Welcome to St. Paul's

The Rt. Rev. C. Andrew Doyle,  
Bishop of Texas  
2023 VESTRY  
Senior Warden –  
Rebecca Rutledge  
Junior Warden – Ray Hancock  
Clerk - Bill Smith  
Arlene Howland  
Jay Todd Cleaver  
Joe Maglothin  
Organist/Choir Director –  
Don Ball, Jr.  
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Kelly Guillot



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Morning Prayer 8:00am  
Rite II (Family Service) 10:00am  
Also shown Live Stream on Facebook.  
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9:00-3:00pm  
Baptism, Confirmation or Wedding:  
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## Holy Communion Rite Two

The service is in the *Book of Common Prayer* (BCP), a blue book.  
Hymns are in *The Hymnal*, a maroon book. Hymn numbers beginning with "S" are at the front of *The Hymnal*.  
*Or LEV, Lift Every Voice and Sing II Hymnal Or Renew Hymnal*

**Celebrant:** The Rev. Mark Wood  
**Deacon:** The Rev. Margaret Light  
**Homilist:** Miles Hall, III

**Opening Hymn** *When Morning Gilds the Skies* The Hymnal 427

## HOLY BAPTISM

**Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity** *The Book of Common Prayer p. 299*

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

CELEBRANT: There is one Body and one Spirit;  
PEOPLE: **There is one hope in God's call to us;**  
CELEBRANT: One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;  
PEOPLE: **One God and Father of all.**

CELEBRANT: The Lord be with you.  
PEOPLE: **And also with you.**  
CELEBRANT: Let us pray.

**The Collect of the Day** *(See Readings Insert)*  
ALL: **Amen.**

*Please be seated for the Anthem.*

**Anthem** *Shut De Door* *Choir*  
Eric and Aidan Reeves, *percussion*; Stephen Cook, *soloist*

### The First Lesson:

READER: A reading from the Book of Wisdom *(See Readings Insert)*  
READER: The Word of the Lord.  
PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

### The Psalm:

READER: The psalm appointed for today is Psalm 70 *(See Readings Insert)*  
We will read responsively by whole verse

### The Second Lesson:

READER: A reading from the first Letter of St. Paul to the Thessalonians *(See Readings Insert)*  
READER: The Word of the Lord.  
PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

*The People stand for the Sequence Hymn*

**Sequence Hymn (V.1)** *Sleepers Wake* The Hymnal 61

*Please remain standing for the Gospel reading.*

**The Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13** *(See Readings Insert)*  
CELEBRANT: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
PEOPLE: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

*After the Gospel*

DEACON: The Gospel of the Lord.  
PEOPLE: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**Sequence Hymn (V.2)**

*Sleepers Wake*

The Hymnal **61**

## **The Sermon**

### **Presentation and Examination of the Candidates**

PARENTS AND GODPARENTS: "I present Asuna to receive the Sacrament of Baptism."

CELEBRANT: Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

PARENTS AND GODPARENTS: I will, with God's help.

CELEBRANT: Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

PARENTS AND GODPARENTS: I will, with God's help.

CELEBRANT: Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

PARENTS AND GODPARENTS: I renounce them.

CELEBRANT: Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

PARENTS AND GODPARENTS: I renounce them.

CELEBRANT: Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

PARENTS AND GODPARENTS: I renounce them.

CELEBRANT: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

PARENTS AND GODPARENTS: I do.

CELEBRANT: Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

PARENTS AND GODPARENTS: I do.

CELEBRANT: Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord? I do.

CELEBRANT: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support Asuna, parents and Godparents in her life in Christ?

PEOPLE: **We will.**

CELEBRANT: Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

## **The Baptismal Covenant**

CELEBRANT: Do you believe in God the Father?

PEOPLE: **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

CELEBRANT: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

PEOPLE: **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.**

CELEBRANT: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

PEOPLE: **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.**

CELEBRANT: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers ?

PEOPLE: **I will, with God's help.**

CELEBRANT: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

PEOPLE: **I will, with God's help.**

CELEBRANT: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

PEOPLE: **I will, with God's help.**

CELEBRANT: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

PEOPLE: **I will, with God's help.**

CELEBRANT: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

PEOPLE: **I will, with God's help.**

## **Prayers for the Candidates**

CELEBRANT: Let us now pray for Asuna who is to receive the sacrament of new birth.

LEADER: Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

PEOPLE: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

LEADER: Open her hearts to your grace and truth.

PEOPLE: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

LEADER: Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

PEOPLE: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

LEADER: Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

PEOPLE: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

LEADER: Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.

PEOPLE: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

LEADER: Send her into the world in witness to your love.

PEOPLE: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

LEADER: Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.

PEOPLE: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

CELEBRANT: Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. Amen.

## **Thanksgiving over the Water**

CELEBRANT: The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE: **And also with you.**

CELEBRANT: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

PEOPLE: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

CELEBRANT: We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

## **The Baptism**

CELEBRANT: Asuna., I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

CELEBRANT: Let us pray.

CELEBRANT: Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. Amen.

CELEBRANT: Asuna, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. Amen.

CELEBRANT: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**CELEBRANT AND PEOPLE: We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

CELEBRANT: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

PEOPLE: **And also with you.**

## **The Peace**

*(All stand.)*

CELEBRANT: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

PEOPLE: **And also with you.**

## **Announcements**

*The Book of Common Prayer p. 360*

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

*Offertory*

*This Little Light of Mine*

LEV 221

*Doxology*

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow  
Praise Him, all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts.  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

The Hymnal 380, v.3

**The Great Thanksgiving-Eucharistic Prayer C**

*The Book of Common Prayer p. 369*

CELEBRANT: 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.**

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

PEOPLE: **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

CELEBRANT: 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 is land home.

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

CELEBRANT: 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.

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

CELEBRANT: 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.

PEOPLE: **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

CELEBRANT: 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:

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

The Hymnal S 130

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 people stand or kneel.)

CELEBRANT: 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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.

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



CELEBRANT: Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers; 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.

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

CELEBRANT: 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.

ALL: **AMEN.**

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

**The Lord's Prayer**  
**People and Celebrant**

*The Book of Common Prayer p. 364*

**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**

CELEBRANT and PEOPLE:

**Fraction Anthem: Alleluia, Christ, Our Passover**

*The Hymnal S 154*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

CELEBRANT: 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.

*We joyfully invite all baptized Christians to join us at the table of our Lord.  
If you prefer to receive communion in the pews, please let the ushers know.  
If you do not wish to receive communion, but instead wish to receive a blessing,  
come forward and stand or kneel at the altar, crossing your arms over your chest.*

*The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words:*

*The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. (Amen.)*

*The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. (Amen.)*

**Communion Music:**

*Let Us Break Bread Together*

**LEV 152**

*This Little Light of Mine*

**LEV 160**

*Jesus Loves the Little Children*

**LEV 222**

*Jesus Loves Me*

**LEV 218**

**Post Communion Prayer**

*The Book of Common Prayer p. 366*

All: **Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen**

**The Blessing**

**The Closing Hymn:**

*Lift High the Cross*

The Hymnal 473

**The Dismissal**

DEACON: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

**Sunday, Nov. 12**

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer, Rite II with Deacon Margaret Light  
 9:00 a.m. Choir Practice  
 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II with Father Mark Wood  
 11:30 a.m. Lunch with the City of Refuge  
 3:00 p.m. Beaumont Interfaith Choral Society Concert-1st UMC Beaumont

**Wednesday, Nov. 15**

9:30 a.m. Art Class in Parish Hall with Shirley Marshall  
 6:00p.m. Vestry Meeting in the parish hall.

**Thursday, Nov. 16**

10:00am Game Group in Parish Hall with Teri Duos

**Sunday, Nov. 19**

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer, Rite II with Deacon Margaret Light  
 9:00 a.m. Choir Practice  
 10:00 a.m.. Holy Eucharist, Rite II with Father Mark Wood  
 6:00 p.m. Community Thanksgiving Service at Temple Emmanuel, Beaumont

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Wednesday, Nov. 22** Thanksgiving Eve Service (6:30p.m.)  
**Sunday, Dec. 3** 1st Sunday of Advent and the Chrismon tree

**FEAST DAYS**

**Thursday, Nov 22** Thanksgiving Eve  
**Sunday, Nov 26** Christ the King Sunday  
**Thursday, Nov 30** St. Andrew Feast day

**WELCOME VISITORS!**

We are glad you are here! Please sign the visitor’s book located in the back of the sanctuary. Let us know how we can make your experience at St. Paul’s more joyful. You can call our office at 409-883-2969 or e-mail us at [stpauls@stpaulsorangetx.com](mailto:stpauls@stpaulsorangetx.com).

**Happy Birthday**

Reeves, Mrs. Annie 11/03  
 Michaelis, Mr. David 11/06  
 Blanchard, Mrs. Bonnie 11/10  
 Michaelis, Theodore “Teddy” 11/14  
 Smith, Shelby 11/14  
 Kelley, Griffin 11/17  
 Kelley, Molly 11/17  
 Kelley, Maggie 11/17  
 Cheek, Mrs. Pam 11/18  
 Guillot, Elizabeth 11/20  
 Hall, Brennan 11/22  
 Rutledge, Mrs. Becky 11/23  
 Geis, Kinley 11/23  
 Hughes, Mrs. Debbie 11/25  
 Smith, Christie Lee Ann 11/26  
 Duos, Teri 11/27

**Happy Anniversary**

Walker, Bob & Nancy 11/15  
 Curran, Glenn & Carolyn 11/18

Holy Baptism November 12, 2023	25th Sunday after Pentecost November 19, 2023
<b>Lectors / Eucharistic Ministers</b>	<b>Lectors / Eucharistic Ministers</b>
10:00 AM 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading: Wisdom of Solomon 6:12-16 Amos 5:18-24 Wisdom of Solomon 6:17-20 Psalm 70 Earl Geis	10:00 AM 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading: Zephaniah 1:7,, 12-18 Psalm 90:1-8, (9-11), 12 Donna Hall
EM 2 <sup>nd</sup> Readings, Prayers, Chalice 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Miles Hall, III  Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13 Rev. Margaret Light Rev. Mark Wood	EM 2 <sup>nd</sup> Readings, Prayers, Chalice 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 Becky Rutledge  Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30 Rev. Margaret Light Rev. Mark Wood
Acolytes: Sr. Acolytes Vestry Person: Arlene Howland Ushers: David & Myra Michaelis Altar Guild: Ruth & Ray Hancock Bill Smith	Acolytes: Sr. Acolytes Vestry Person: Becky Rutledge Ushers: Earl & Pat Geis Altar Guild: Earl & Pat Geis
Flower Guild: Krispen Walker	Flower Guild: Delores Sterling