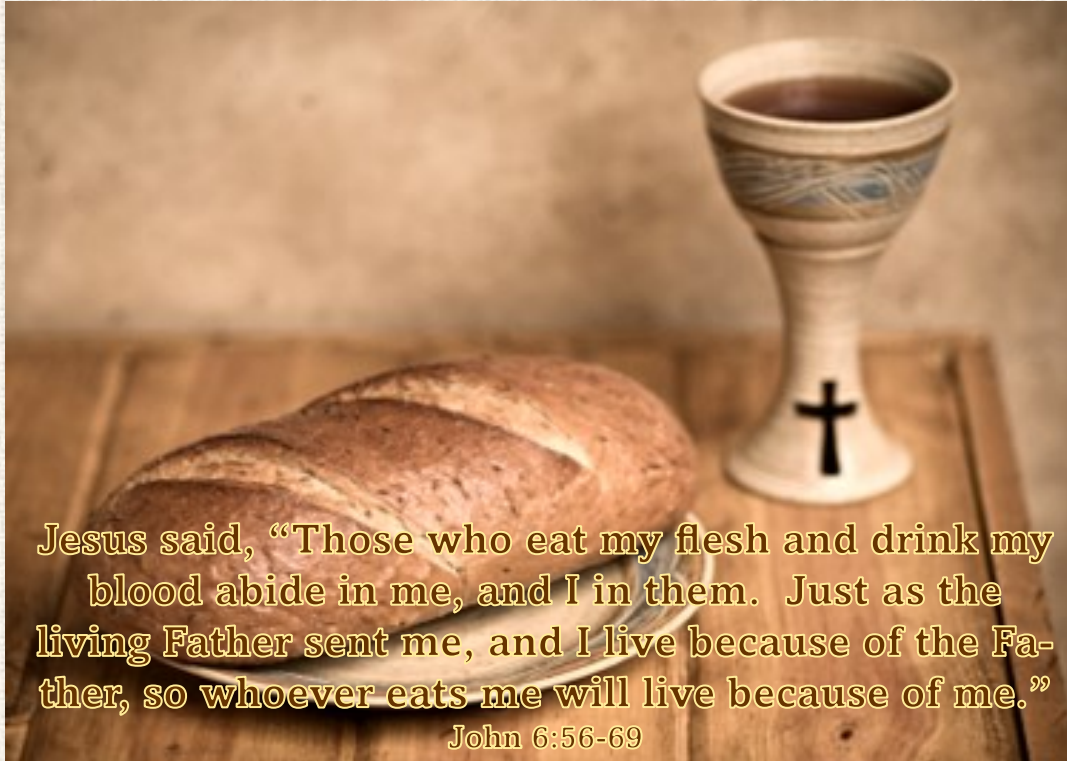


St. Paul's Episcopal Church

14th Sunday after Pentecost

August 25, 2024

The Liturgy of the Word: Enriching our Worship



Jesus said, "Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me."

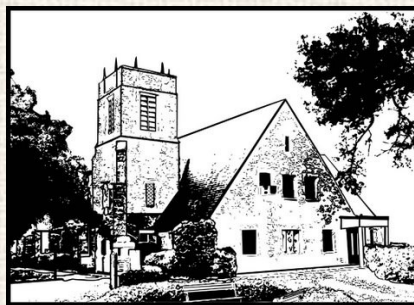
John 6:56-69

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
2024 VESTRY
Senior Warden –
Rebecca Rutledge
Junior Warden – Ray Hancock
Clerk - Bill Smith
Arlene Howland
Jay Todd Cleaver
Joe Maglothin
Anne Breitenstein
Organist/Choir Director –
Don Ball, Jr.
Parish Administrator
Kelly Guillot



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.

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Morning Prayer 8:00am

Rite II (Family Service) 10:00am

Also shown Live Stream on Facebook.

Office hours Monday-Thursday

9:00-3:00pm

Baptism, Confirmation or Wedding:

Contact the Church office

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Liturgy of the Word: Enriching our Worship

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*

Deacon: The Rev. Margaret Light

Homilist: The Rev. Margaret Light

Hymn

Sing Praise to God

The Hymnal 408

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Officiant: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People: Glory to God for ever and ever.

Canticle

Song of God's Love

1 John 4:7A, 8-11, 12B

Be - lov - ed let us love one an - oth - er, for
love is of God. Who - ev - er does not love does not know God, for
God is love. In this the love of God was re - vealed a - mong us,
that God sent his on - ly Son, Je - sus Christ, in - to the world, so that
we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved
(Christ)
God, but that God loved us and sent his Son that sins might be for -
giv - en. Be - lov - ed, since God loved us so much, we ought
al - so to love one an - oth - er. For if we love one an - oth - er:
God a - bides in us, and God's love will be per - fec - ted in us.

Officiant: God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Officiant: Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

The collect of the day is read.

(See Readings Insert)

Hymn

Amen.

Praise to God, Immortal Praise

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Please be seated.

The First Lesson:

READER: A Reading from the first Book of Kings (See Readings Insert)

READER: The Word of the Lord.
Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm:

READER: The psalm appointed for today is Psalm 84 (See Readings Insert)
We will read responsively by whole verse.

The Second Lesson:

READER: A Reading (Lesson) from the Letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians (See Readings Insert)

READER: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

The People stand for the Sequence Hymn and the Gospel reading.

Sequence Hymn (Vv.1,2) *Blessed Jesus, At Thy Word* *The Hymnal 440*

OFFICIANT: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

PEOPLE: **Glory to you, Christ our Savior.**

The Gospel: John 6:56-69

OFFICIANT: The Gospel of Jesus Christ

PEOPLE: **Praise to you, Christ our Savior.** (See Readings Insert)

Sequence Hymn (V.3) *Blessed Jesus, At Thy Word* *The Hymnal 440*

The Sermon

On Sundays and other Major Feasts there follows, standing as able.

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who 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.

Prayers of the People, Season After Pentecost 2024

LEADER: In this liturgical period of Ordinary Time in which we strive to become the extraordinary messengers of the Gospel that our baptism has commissioned us to be, let us offer our intercessions and thanksgivings to God.

We pray for the holy Church of God and for its mission.

PEOPLE: **Grant that its divisions may cease; that it may be filled with truth and love; and that it may continue in the teaching of all the apostles, and bear faithful witness to the Gospel of Christ.**

LEADER: We pray for Sean, our Presiding Bishop, for Andy, Jeff, Kai and Hector, our own bishops; for Mark and Meg, our priests, and for Margaret our deacon; and for all other ministers and for all the holy people of God.

PEOPLE: **Pour out upon them your Holy Spirit and grant them the power to speak your Word with all boldness, that, by their teaching and preaching, our young shall see visions of a world renewed, and our old shall dream dreams of the New Jerusalem.**

LEADER: We pray for the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples.

PEOPLE: **Grant that all those who hold authority in the nations bend their hearts and minds toward seeking justice; honoring the image of God in all humanity; forging mutual respect and understanding between different cultures; and uniting the world in bonds of love.**

LEADER: We pray for the safety of all who serve in local, state, and national police forces and all who serve in any branch of our national armed forces, at home or abroad.

PEOPLE: **Grant that they may live with honor, serve with justice, and protect with mercy in the course of their duties.**

LEADER: We pray for our families, friends and neighbors who live and work in this community. We are concerned for their sorrows and suffering.

PEOPLE: **Come alongside us and cradle the ones we love in your strong arms, as we name each one: Betty Ball, Karen Ball, Hal Bean, Anne Breitenstein, Doris Boyd, Chip, Chris and Chrystal, Kayla Cheek, Robert Cheek, Jay Todd Cleaver, Zakeria Daniels, John & Teri Duos, John & Gail Griffith, David Haley, Shaun Hallman, Joe Howington, Debbie Herrington, Mimi Hollier, Robert Hollier, Loretta Hughes, Rosie Hurst, Ester Jeans, Allen Jones, Jerry Jones, Barbara Klein, Peggy Lane, Madeline, Bruce and Roxanne McGraw, Justin Morvant, Taylor Phillips, Debbie Reed, Eloy Serenil, Becky Scott, David Silk, Pete Sterling, Ken Slaughter, Easton Smith, Belinda Thibodeaux, Rev. Mark Wood, Shawn Wright**

LEADER: We especially commend to your holy keeping: all who are far from home and friends; all who must lie down hungry or cold; all who are ill or who suffer pain; all who are kept awake by anxiety or suspense; all who are facing danger; and all who must work or keep watch while others sleep.

PEOPLE: **Grant that they may receive such a sense of your presence with them that their loneliness may be turned into comfort and their trouble into peace.**

LEADER: We pray for the whole family of humankind in all its wonderful diversity of gender, race, tribe, sexuality, and culture.

PEOPLE: **Grant that we may have the wisdom to see in that diversity the evidence of your image. Strengthen our efforts to blot out ignorance and prejudice, until our knowledge of your love is made perfect in our love for all your children.**

LEADER: We pray for all who have died in the communion of your Church, and for those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal.

PEOPLE: **Grant that we, who have been raised with Christ, may abide in his love and rejoice in the hope of eternal glory.**

LEADER: Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Paul and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

PEOPLE: **To you our God and Savior.**

OFFICIANT: [Concluding Collect]

Confession of Sin

Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of 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.)

Officiant: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Announcements

The Offertory

OFFICIANT: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Anthem

How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place

The Hymnal **517**

Doxology

Let All Things Their Creator Bless

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Let all things their Creator bless, and worship Him in humbleness.
O Praise Him, Alleluia! Praise God the Father, God the Son,
And praise the Spirit, Three in One. O praise Him;
O praise Him! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Amen.

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

OFFICIANT AND PEOPLE:

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 Closing Collects:

OFFICIANT: **A Collect for Sunday:** O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

A Collect for Mission: O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

The General Thanksgiving

OFFICIANT AND PEOPLE:

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made.

We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessing of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days;

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. AMEN.

The Hymn:

How Firm a Foundation

The Hymnal 637

Dismissal

Officiant:

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

or

Let us go forth into the world,
rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God

Before the service speak to God in the silence of your heart.
During the service let God speak to you through Word and
Sacrament. After the service speak with your neighbor!

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, August 25 14th Sunday of Pentecost
 8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer, Enriching our Worship, with Deacon Margaret Light
 9:00 a.m. Choir Practice
 9:15 a.m. The Book of Acts Book Study with Deacon Margaret
 10:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Word, Enriching our Worship with Deacon Margaret Light

Wednesday, August 28 Art Class at 9:30am with Shirley Marshall

Thursday, August 29 Game Group at 10:00am with Teri Duos

Sunday, September 1 15th Sunday of Pentecost - Outreach Sunday
 8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer, Enriching our Worship, with Deacon Margaret Light
 9:00 a.m. Choir Practice
 9:15 a.m. The Book of Acts Book Study with Mother Meg and Deacon Margaret
 10:00 a.m. Holy Communion, Enriching our Worship with Mother Meg and Deacon Margaret Light

Save the date:
September 2 Labor Day
September 4 Wednesday Night—The Chosen Season One and Light Supper.
September 29-30 Small Church Gathering at Camp Allen
September 29 5th Sunday Luncheon after the 10:00am service.

14th Sunday after Pentecost August 25, 2024	15th Sunday after Pentecost September 1, 2024
Lectors / Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors / Eucharistic Ministers
10:00 AM 1 st Reading and Psalm 1 Kings 8:(a,6, 10-11), 22- 30, 41-43 Psalm 84 Annie Reeves & Aidan	10:00 AM 1 st Reading and Psalm Song of Solomon 2:8-13 Psalm 45:1-2, 7-10 Ruth Hancock
EM 2 nd Readings, Prayers, Chalice Ephesians 6:10-20 Becky Rutledge Gospel: John 6:56-69 Deacon Margaret Light	EM 2 nd Readings, Prayers, Chalice James 1:17-27 Arlene Howland Gospel: Mark:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 7 Rev. Meg Lovejoy Deacon Margaret Light
Acolytes: Sr. Acolytes Vestry Person: Ray Hancock Ushers: David & Myra Michaelis Altar Guild: Bonnie Blanchard Anne Breitenstein, Sherlon Jones Haley Morris, Allison Maglothin	Acolytes: Sr. Acolytes Vestry Person: Bill Smith Ushers: Earl & Pat Geis Altar Guild: Ray & Ruth Hancock Bill Smith
Flower Guild: Annie Reeves	Flower Guild: Pat Geis

Happy Birthday

Hurst, Alex	8/26
Hughes, Mr. Ben	8/28
Jones, Sherlon	8/28
Hagen, Mrs. Kara	8/30
Rotsch, Mrs. Ginnie	8/30
Batchelor, Mr. Bob	9/02
Sterling, Delores	9/04
Smith, Mr. Jeffery	9/07

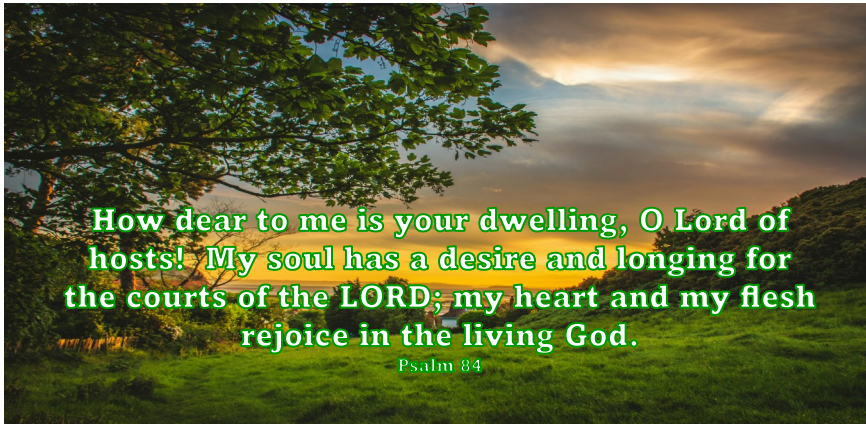
Happy Anniversary
 Lincecum, Roger & Shana 8/25

Prayers List

Just a reminder that the prayer list will change at the beginning of every month. If you would like to add someone to this list, I have a sign up sheet in the narthex, or you can email me at stpauls@stpaulsorangetx.com or call 409-883-2969.

Camp Allen—Small Church Gathering
 On September 29 thru 30, Camp Allen will have the Small Church Gathering starting on Sunday at 5:00pm to Monday at Noon. If you are interested in going then contact Becky Rutledge.

Wednesday Night Movie and Supper
 On Wednesday, September 4 we will start Season One of The Chosen and have a Light Supper at 6:00pm in the parish hall. If you have any questions, email the office at stpauls@stpaulsorangetx.com or call 409-883-2969.



The EOW Survey has been emailed to everyone. There are also some in the narthex and as a bulletin insert. Please fill out as soon as possible and return to the office or email to the office at stpauls@stpaulsorangetx.com.