

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

PROPER 5

JUNE 7, 2026

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through
the power of the Holy Spirit.

Romans 15:13

WELCOME! St. Paul's Church builds bridges — to God, to one another, to the city and beyond. We are glad you have joined us today.

During Ordinary Time, we gather as the people of God, week by week, to meet Christ, dying and rising in our midst. Christ's presence is revealed in our liturgical gatherings in Word and Sacrament, and in us, as members of Christ's Body, by our daily lives of ministry to others in concrete acts of love and caring.

This service booklet, *The Book of Common Prayer* (red), *The Hymnal 1982* (blue), and *Wonder, Love and Praise* ("WLP," green paperbound) provide the resources needed for participation in our worship. Please silence your cell phones.

MUSIC NOTE

This morning we thank all the members of the Handbell Choir, on their final Sunday of the season. This very dedicated and talented group of people rehearse each Wednesday evening throughout the academic year to provide nourishing and inspiring music on the first Sunday of each month. If you are interested in being part of this ensemble, please contact John Sherer at jsherer@stpaulsec.org.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Childcare: Available every Sunday at 10:00 am, including the summers & holidays.

Sunday School is held each week for children in PK-5th grade upstairs from the Parish Hall. Classes run through the program year, September to mid-June.

Bible Study meets each week at 9:00 am in the Vestry Room. Join us as we study and discuss the week's readings!

Please ask an usher for help in finding these locations.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S LITURGIES

Readers: James Dorr, John Currie (8:00)
Pat Moran, Les Kernan, Nancy Curtis (10:15)

Eucharistic Ministers: Suzy Spencer (8:00)
Erin Glanton, Louise Moore (10:15)

Crucifer: Wayne Least

Altar Guild: Erin Wright, Judy McGrath, Jackie Barnes, Jennifer Bleecker

Ushers: Judy McGrath, William Moore, Bonnie Martin

ASL Interpreter: Luane Haggerty (10:15)

Live-Stream Operator: Carmen Liberatore (10:15)

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Before worship, let God speak to you. During worship, speak to God.

After worship, speak to one another.

VOLUNTARY

Master Tallis' Testament

Herbert Howells

Processional Celebration

Anna Laura Page

✠ *indicates to stand as able.*

✠ HYMN 573

Father Eternal, Ruler of Creation

Langham

✠ OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

Presider Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

✠ GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (*spoken at 8:00; S-278 sung at 10:15*)

William Mathias

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,

with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

✠ COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray. O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST LESSON

Hosea 5:15-6:6

Thus says the Lord: “I will return again to my place until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face. In their distress they will beg my favor: ‘Come, let us return to the Lord; for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us; he has struck down, and he will bind us up. After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. Let us know, let us press on to know the Lord; his appearing is as sure as the dawn; he will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth.’ What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early. Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets, I have killed them by the words of my mouth, and my judgment goes forth as the light. For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 50:7-15 (*Said responsively at 8:00; Congregation sings Antiphon at 10:15*)



To those who keep in my way will I show the sal - va - tion of God.

- 7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak:
“O Israel, I will bear witness against you; *
for I am God, your God.
- 8 I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; *
your offerings are always before me. (*sing antiphon*)
- 9 I will take no bull-calf from your stalls, *
nor he goats out of your pens;
- 10 For all beasts of the forest are mine, *
the herds in their thousands upon the hills. (*sing antiphon*)
- 11 I know every bird in the sky, *
and the creatures of the fields are in my sight.
- 12 If I were hungry, I would not tell you, *
For the whole world is mine and all that is in it.
- 13 Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls,
Or drink the blood of goats? (*sing antiphon*)

14 Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving *
and make good your vows to the Most High.

15 Call upon me in the day of trouble; *
I will deliver you, and you shall honor me.” (*sing antiphon*)

SECOND LESSON

Romans 4:13-25

The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”) —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become “the father of many nations,” according to what was said, “So numerous shall your descendants be.” He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith “was reckoned to him as righteousness.” Now the words, “it was reckoned to him,” were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

✠ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Sung twice before Gospel and once following* Caribbean



Hal - le, Hal - le, Hal - le - lu - ja! Hal - le, Hal - le, Hal - le - lu - lu - ja! Hal - le, Hal - le, Hal - le - lu - ia! Hal - le - lu - ja! Hal - le - lu - ja!

✠ HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, “Follow me.”

And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” But when he heard this, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, ‘I desire mercy, not sacrifice.’ For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.”

While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, “My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live.” And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said to herself, “If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.” Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, “Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.” And instantly the woman was made well. When Jesus came to the leader’s house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, “Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread throughout that district.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

A brief period of quiet reflection follows the sermon.

✠ 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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. 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 and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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

Prayer is offered for the Church, Nation, world, those who suffer, and for the departed.

Intercessor Lord, in your mercy;

People **Hear our prayer.**

Additional prayers may be offered, and the Presider adds a concluding collect.

✠ CONFESSION OF SIN

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Presider pronounces the Absolution

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

✠ EXCHANGE OF PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Please greet one another in Christ's Name. Words of welcome and announcements are then made.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

The Deacon says: Ascribe to the Lord the honor due God's Name; bring offerings and come into the courts with praise. (*Psalms 96:8*)

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Subdue Us Through Thy Kindness Johann Sebastian Bach
Subdue us through thy kindness, thy grace awakening give. The evil in us chasten that we, new life may live. While here on earth our striving, with heart and soul contriving, may bring us close to thee.

✠ SAID AT 8:00 **All things come of thee, O Lord,
and of thine own have we given thee.**

✠ AT THE PRESENTATION OF GIFTS: HYMN 400 (*stz. 7, sung by all*) *Lasst uns erfreuen*
**Let all things their creator bless,
and worship him in humbleness,
O praise him, alleluia!
Praise God the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, Three in One:
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

✠ THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Enriching our Worship, Prayer 3

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

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

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, our 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 AND BENEDICTUS (Hymnal S-128)

William Mathias

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.

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 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:

Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restored our life.

Christ Jesus, come in glory!

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 blessed Paul and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

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.

Celebrant and People

Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.

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

**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.**

✠ AT THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

A period of silence is kept.

Presider We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.;

People **We who are many are one body, for all share in the one bread.**

Presider The gifts of God, for the people of God.

All are welcome at God's table.

All are encouraged to come forward for Communion at the direction of the ushers. The Sacrament is given in both kinds: bread and wine. If you are not able to go to any of the stations, please let an usher know and communion will be brought to you. Gluten-free wafers are available.

COMMUNION ANTHEMS

Simple Gifts

Shaker melody
arr. Valerie W. Stephenson

God Be in My Head

Sydney H. Nicholson

*God be in my head, and in my understanding. God be in mine eyes, and in my looking.
God be in my mouth, and in my speaking. God be in my heart, and in my thinking. God
be at mine end, and at my departing.*

✠ PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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**God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with
all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your
Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for
ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

✠ THE BLESSING

✠ HYMN 493

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Azmon

✠ THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY

Arabesque
VI. Rondeau

Naji Hakim

PRAYER LIST

We entrust into your unfailing care, Merciful God...

Sean Rowe, our Presiding Bishop; Kara Wagner Sherer, our Bishop; and,
the Clergy, Staff, and Lay Leaders of St. Paul's Church

In Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Scottish Episcopal Church

In the Diocese Cycle of Prayer: St. John's Church, Canandaigua

Bev, Mary, Barbara, Connie and John Palermo, Paul Achop, Mary Jane Thomas,
Marcia Stevens, Claudius Scott, Jack Worboys, Linda, Mara Hazzard-Wallingford,
Shelia Eiss, Bill & Diane Bailey, Lois, Donna Grear, Hans Thurston, Nathan,
Noreen, Scott, Bertha Simpkins, Amelia Smith, Ella Richard-Dyson,
and Bill Dewart

Those who have died, especially David Miller.

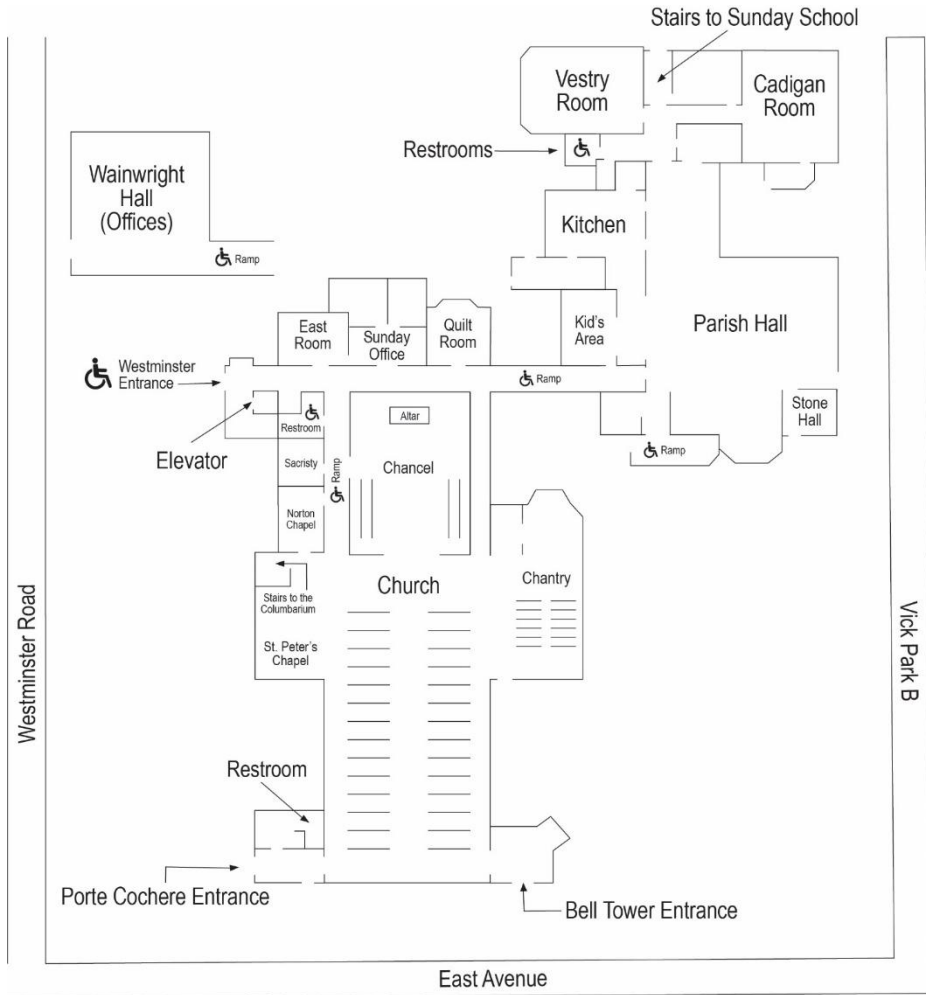
*Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth:
Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

FLOWER MEMORIALS

The flowers this Sunday are given to the Glory of God and
in memory of Robert & Elizabeth (Libby) Skerritt and
Thomas & Dorothy F. Elliott

When immigrants live in your land with you, you must not cheat them.
Any immigrant who lives with you must be treated as if they were one of your
citizens. You must love them as yourself, because you were immigrants
in the land of Egypt; I am the Lord your God.

Leviticus 19:33-34 (CEB)



All are invited to make a gift to support our mission:
 As the plate is passed. • By scanning the QR code at the left. • Online at stpaulsec.org/donate. • By texting PAUL to 73256 and following the prompts.
 Thank you for your generosity!

TODAY AT ST. PAUL'S

- 8:00 am: Holy Eucharist (Chantry)
- 9:00 am: Bible Study (Vestry Room)
- 10:00 am: Sunday School
- 10:15 am: Holy Eucharist (Church)
- 11:30 am: Annual Parish Picnic (Parish Hall & Lawn)

Monday, June 8th

- 10:00 am: Archives Team (Stone Hall)
- 7:00 pm: ACA Survivors (Stone Hall)

Wednesday, June 10th

- 9:00 am: Wednesday Women AA (Stone Hall)
- Noon: Holy Eucharist (St. Peter's Chapel)
- 8:15 pm: Young & Restless AA (Stone Hall)

Thursday, June 11th

- 6:00 pm: AA Meeting (Stone Hall)
- 8:30 pm: Academy Group AA (Stone Hall)

Saturday, June 13th

- 10:00 am: St. Paul's Needle Arts Group (Wainwright-Parlor)
- 10:30 am: Debtors' Anonymous (Quilt Room)
- 8:00 pm: AA Saturday Group (Stone Hall)

NEWS AND NOTICES

- ❖ **Parish Picnic** will be held TODAY, following the 10:15 am Eucharist on the east lawn. Join us as we celebrate the program year with treats from the grill and treats from our fellow parishioners!
- ❖ Today, we **bless the new green silks** for the altars, lecterns, pulpit, and clergy stoles! These replace the previous green damask silks, which had grown worn, but preserve much of the appliqué pieces from those original green silks.
- ❖ **The East Avenue Music Festival** returns on Sunday, June 14th! There will be music, food, and festivity throughout the afternoon and a bagpiper leading us from church to church, so bring your friends to this popular event! You can learn more about the East Avenue Music Festival by going to our website: EastAvenueMusicFestival.com.
- ❖ **“Sunday on Thursdays”** is our outdoor Eucharist in Paul’s Cross each Thursday evening at 5:30 pm **starting June 18th** and continuing through August 27th. If there’s inclement weather, we will move inside the church.
- ❖ Sign up for **Summer Fellowship Hour**: Starting Sunday, June 21st, we will meet outside in Paul's Cross for Summer Fellowship Hour after the 10:15 am service. We are asking volunteers to please provide a small snack for about 2 dozen people. The signup sheet is located on the mobile bulletin board outside the East Room, or you can sign up online at bit.ly/SPECsummer2026.
- ❖ **St. Joseph’s House**: We will collect all sizes of men’s & women’s underwear, men’s & women’s travel-size deodorant, razors & lotion. Please place all donations in the baskets in the back of the church.
- ❖ **2026 Bishop’s Appeal: Sharing the Good News**: Bishop’s Appeal 2026 will fund a diocesan campaign to create social media, welcome, and advertising templates that each parish can personalize. Donations will be collected throughout 2026 for work beginning mid-year. Options for giving may be found at episcopalrochester.org/give.
- ❖ **Reminder**: Clergy & staff will never text or email asking for gift cards.

ST. PAUL'S STAFF

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