

But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 15 (*prayed by all*)

- 1 LORD, who may dwell in your tabernacle? *
who may abide upon your holy hill?
- 2 Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, *
who speaks the truth from their heart.
- 3 There is no guile upon his tongue; nor do they do evil to friends; *
nor do they heap contempt upon a neighbor.
- 4 In their sight the wicked is rejected, *
but they honor those who fear the LORD.
- 5 They have sworn to do no wrong *
and do not take back their word.
- 6 They does not give their money in hope of gain, *
nor do they take a bribe against the innocent.
- 7 Whoever does these things *
shall never be overthrown.

SECOND LESSON

James 1:17-27

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures. You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing. If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

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✠ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Celtic Alleluia

The Gospel Acclamation is first introduced by the organ and then all join in singing.

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia,
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

✠ HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

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

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

When the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, “Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?” He said to them, “Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, ‘This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.’ You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.”

Then he called the crowd again and said to them, “Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.” For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, “Do you also wish to go away?” Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

The Rev. Robert Picken

✠ 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: FORM VI

Book of Common Prayer, p. 392

✠ 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 HYMN 663

The Lord my God my shepherd is

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

✠ THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Book of Common Prayer, p. 361

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 God thanks and praise.**

The Presider here prays the proper preface.

... Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS (*said at 8:00am; sung at 10:15am*)

Richard Proulx

**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 congregation may remain standing or kneel, as the Presider continues. Midway through the Eucharistic Prayer the Presider leads the Memorial Acclamation,

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Presider then continues the Eucharistic Prayer, concluding with,

...All this we ask through our Savior Jesus Christ: By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, 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 Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The congregation comes 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.

✠ PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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.

✠ BLESSING

The Presider invokes God's blessing and the people respond, Amen.

✠ HYMN 541

Come, labor on

Ora Labora

✠ DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY

Final from *Symphony No. 6 in G Minor*

Ch-M. Widor

*The flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of
Bruce Wadsworth.*

PRAYER LIST

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

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

In Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Anglican Church of Mozambique and Angola

In the Diocese Cycle of Prayer: The Episcopal Church Home

Those for whom our prayers have been requested: Kevin Ahern, Mary Spaker, Bertha Simpkins, Wanda,
Lolita Mosley, Jeff, Tom, Bob Potter, Sr., Joyce Crofton, John, Hank Couch, Ned Atwater, Donna
Bayley, Paula Zanhizer, Amelia Smith, Louis, Ella Richard-Dyson, Dean Arvan, and Bill Dewart.

Those who have died.

*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.*

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S LITURGIES

Readers: Jim Dorr, Brent Johnson, Ed Rubel (8:00)

Thomas Holiday, Carol Panzer (10:15)

Eucharistic Ministers: Suzy Spencer (8:00); Grace Henshaw, Les Kernan, Vickie Harrison (10:15)

Altar Guild: Janet Juneau, Anne Refermat, Jane Newcomb, Lindsay Korth

Ushers: Chari Krenis, Lila Kennedy, Stanley Refermat, Bill Moore

ASL Interpreter: Luanne Haggerty (10:15 only)

MUSIC NOTES

Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937) composed ten symphonies for the organ along with numerous other works for piano, chorus and various ensembles. Organist of St. Sulpice in Paris from 1870-1933, he played one of the finest Cavallé-Coll organs in the world. The Sixth Symphony in G Minor, portions of which are heard in today's opening and closing voluntaries, was written in 1879. This Symphony was held to such high acclaim by Widor and the public that he arranged portions of it in 1882 to be played by organ and orchestra. The Cantabile is a lyrical work that demonstrates his use of symphonic colors on the organ and the Final begins with a triumphant chorus that builds to a rousing conclusion.

**indicates a hymn requested during the Summer Hymn Survey in May. Thank you for your suggestions.*

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR...

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH

Potluck Supper at 6:00pm

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH

Rally Day & Ministry Fair

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH

Sunday Forum & Sunday School resume

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6TH

Special 11:30am Forum

The Art of Episcopal Nuns

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13TH

Book Group at 11:30am

Jesus and the Powers by N.T. Wright & Michael Bird

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20TH

*Our *new* Third Sundays at Three begins*

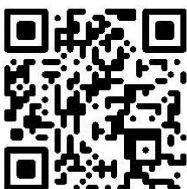
If Music be the Food: A Concert to benefit Foodlink

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD

All Saints' Sunday & Bishop's Visit

More to come, including Weeknight Desserts & Discussions, Concerts, and more....

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THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

Monday, September 2nd

Labor Day: Office Closed

7:00 pm: ACA Survivors (Stone Hall)

Tuesday, September 3rd

10:00 am: HLAA Meetings (Parish Hall)

Wednesday, September 4th

9:00 am: Wednesday Women AA (Stone Hall)

Noon: Holy Eucharist (St. Peter's Chapel)

6:00 pm: Potluck Supper (Parish Hall)

7:00 pm: St. Paul's Choir (Church)

8:15 pm: Young & Restless AA (Stone Hall)

Thursday, September 5th

6:00 pm: AA Meeting (Stone Hall)

7:00 pm: Bell Choir (Bell & Youth Choir Rm.)

8:30 pm: Academy Group AA (Stone Hall)

Saturday, September 7th

10:00 am: St. Joe's Sandwich Making (Kitchen)

10:30 am: Debtors' Anonymous (Quilt Room)

8:00 pm: AA Saturday Group (Stone Hall)

NEWS AND NOTICES

- ❖ Weverton Santos will offer a short concert at St. Paul's on **Sunday, September 1 at 3:00 pm**. This concert is a fund-raising event to support Weverton, one of St. Paul's former staff singers, who is moving to Chicago.
- ❖ The **Church Office** will be closed tomorrow, Monday, September 2nd for Labor Day.
- ❖ Our monthly **Potluck Supper** is back! It kicks off this Wednesday, September 4th at 6:00 pm. All are welcome for this time of fellowship and good food!
- ❖ **Rally Day, Sunday, September 8th**. Kick-Off the 2024-25 program year with a special coffee hour following the 8:00 am service, a ministry fair, and a picnic on the lawn following the 10:15 am service.
- ❖ **Interested in joining one of our choirs?!** If you have ever thought about singing or ringing at St. Paul's for a Sunday, a month, or for the season, now is a great time to try one of our choirs. Rehearsals start this week! St. Paul's Choir is for teenagers or adults, and they rehearse Wednesday at 7:00 pm; the Bell Choir is for all ages, and they rehearse Thursday at 7:00 pm; St Paul's Choristers for grades 2-8 rehearse Sunday morning at 11:30. With these choirs you'll enjoy the fellowship of people who enjoy making beautiful music and just being together. If you've never tried it before, or it's been a long time since you were in a choir, now is a good time to start. For more information contact John Sherer at jsherer@stpaulsec.org.
- ❖ **Guest Preacher and Speaker:** The Rev. Mary Ann Brody from the *Crossroads of Caring* will be with us on Sunday, September 15th. *Crossroads* is a center for spiritual care formation and education serving the greater Rochester community by offering programs in education and collegial support to spiritual caregivers. This speaker was arranged by St. Paul's Outreach Council.
- ❖ **Sunday School** resumes on Sunday, September 15th at 10:00 am. For more information, please email Amy Welker at awelker@stpaulsec.org.
- ❖ **Altar Flowers:** There are opportunities to donate altar flowers on the following Sundays in September--High Altar on September 29 and the Chantry Altar on September 8, 15, 22, and 29. Please contact Nancy Andrus at nandrus002@rochester.rr.com or 406-8545 to donate altar flowers.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SUNDAYS

8:00 am Holy Communion
10:15 am Holy Communion with Music
Nursery Care provided. Live-Stream available.

WEDNESDAYS

12:00 pm Holy Communion (Norton Chapel)

ST. PAUL'S STAFF

The Reverend Canon Robert Picken
Rector

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