

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

PROPER 10

JULY 12, 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*

**W**ELCOME! 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

Both the opening and closing voluntaries this morning were written by composers who worked for the kings of France. François Couperin (1668-1733) served as "Ordinary Musician for the King's Chamber for Harpsichord" which was one of the most prestigious performing positions for King Louis XIV. André Campra (1660-1744) served as Director of Music at the Royal Chapel in Versailles from 1723 until his death which occurred at Versailles.

### WEEKLY OFFERINGS

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

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

**Sunday School** will resume in September for children in PK-5<sup>th</sup> grade upstairs from the Parish Hall. It will then be held weekly.

Please ask an usher for help in finding these locations.

### PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S LITURGIES

*Readers:* John Currie, Susan Jones (8:00)

Stephen Chepiga, Susan Dow (10:15)

*Eucharistic Ministers:* Suzy Spencer (8:00)

Chari Krenis, Erin Glanton (10:15)

*Altar Guild:* Nancy Reale, Lindsay Korth, Jackie Barnes,

Linda White, Carey Wilcox

*Ushers:* Doug Kelley, Floyd Bayley, Bonnie Martin

*ASL Interpreter:* Luane Haggerty (10:15)

*Live-Stream Operator:* Anita Chen (10:15)

*Cover illustration by Sonja Slother*

*Before worship, let God speak to you. During worship, speak to God.  
After worship, speak to one another.*

VOLUNTARY                      Excerpts from the Mass for the Convents      François Couperin

✠ *indicates to stand as able.*

✠ 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*)

**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.**

✠ HYMN 11                                      Awake, My Soul                                      *Morning Hymn*

✠ COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Let us pray. O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

# THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 55:10-13

**A**s the rain and the snow come down from heaven,  
and do not return there until they have watered the earth,  
making it bring forth and sprout,  
giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater,  
so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;  
it shall not return to me empty,  
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,  
and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.

For you shall go out in joy,  
and be led back in peace;  
the mountains and the hills before you  
shall burst into song,  
and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.

Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress;  
instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle;  
and it shall be to the Lord for a memorial,  
for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 65:9-14 (*Prayed responsively*)

9 You visit the earth and water it abundantly;  
you make it very plenteous; \*

**the river of God is full of water.**

10 You prepare the grain, \*  
**for so you provide for the earth.**

11 You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; \*  
**with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.**

12 You crown the year with your goodness, \*  
**and your paths overflow with plenty.**

13 May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing, \*  
**and the hills be clothed with joy.**

14 May the meadows cover themselves with flocks,  
and the valleys cloak themselves with grain; \*  
**let them shout for joy and sing.**

✠ SEQUENCE HYMN 593      Lord, Make Us Servants      *Dickinson College*

✠ HOLY GOSPEL      Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

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

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

**J**esus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: “Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!”

“Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.”

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

The Rev. Jay Burkardt

*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. (*Psalm 96:8*)

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

OFFERTORY SOLO Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee Dale Wood

*Jesus, the very thought of thee with sweetness fills my breast, but sweeter far thy face to see, and in thy presence rest. Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame, nor memory find a sweeter sound than thy blest name, O Savior of mankind. O hope of every contrite heart, O joy of all the meek, to those who fall, how kind thou art, how good to those who seek! But what to those who find? Ah, this nor tongue nor pen can show, the love of Jesus, what it is, none but his loved ones know. Jesus, our only joy be thou, as thou our prize wilt be; Jesus, be thou our glory now and through eternity.*

✠ 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 God 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-125)

Richard Proulx



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,



heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -



san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est. 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 we 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 SOLO

Panis Angelicus

César Franck

*The bread of angels becomes the bread for all. The heavenly bread beyond all symbols.*

*Oh, miraculous body of the Lord which will nourish each poor, humble servant.*

✠ PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**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 535

Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim

*Paderborn*

✠ THE DISMISSAL

*Deacon* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY

Rigaudon

André Campra

## 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 the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

In the Diocese Cycle of Prayer: St. James Church in Hammondspport

Jack Worboys, Abby, Chris, Connie & John Palermo, Ron Young, Mallory, Paul  
Achop, Mary Jane Thomas, Marcia Stevens, Claudius Scott, Linda, Mara Hazzard-  
Wallingford, 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.

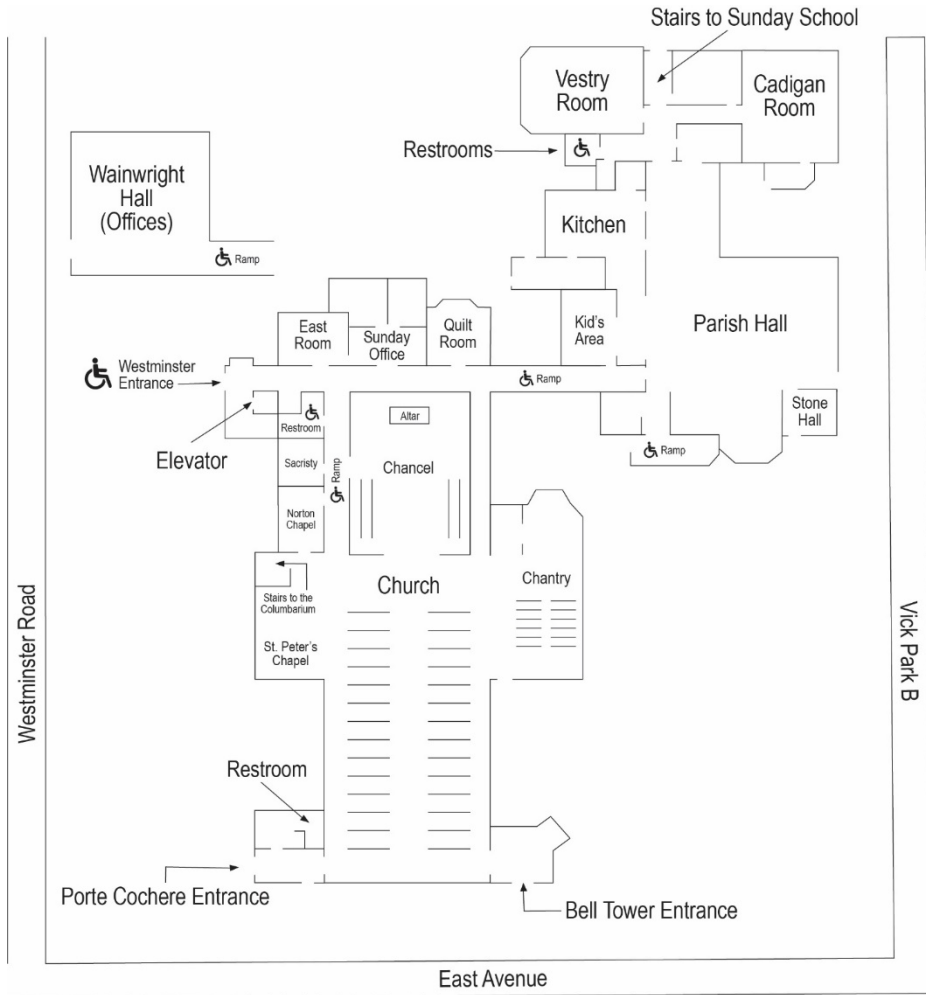
*Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth:  
Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## FLOWER MEMORIALS

The flowers this Sunday are given to the Glory of God and in honor of  
Charles H. Moore III & John Batley,  
and Beverly A. Smith.

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](http://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)

10:15 am: Holy Eucharist (Church)

11:30 am: Summer Fellowship Hour (Paul's Cross)

11:30 am: Stewardship Meeting (Vestry Room)

### **Monday, July 13th**

10:00 am: Archives Team (Stone Hall)

7:00 pm: ACA Survivors (Stone Hall)

### **Tuesday, July 14th**

7:00 pm: Vestry Meeting (Cadigan Room)

### **Wednesday, July 15th**

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

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

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

### **Thursday, July 16th**

12:00 pm: Caregivers Support Group (Vestry Room)

5:30 pm: Sunday on Thursdays Holy Eucharist (Paul's Cross)

6:00 pm: AA Meeting (Stone Hall)

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

### **Saturday, July 18th**

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

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

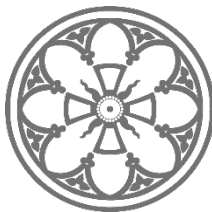
## NEWS AND NOTICES

- ❖ Sign up for **Summer Fellowship Hour**: On Sundays, 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](http://bit.ly/SPECsummer2026).
- ❖ “**Sunday on Thursdays**” is our outdoor Eucharist in Paul's Cross each Thursday evening at 5:30 pm and continuing through August 27th. If there's inclement weather, we will move inside the church.
- ❖ **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](http://episcopalrochester.org/give).
- ❖ **St. Paul's Children**: Help your children stay connected to God this summer with Meet the Kids of the Bible, a devotional activity book. Pick up a copy from the table at the back of the sanctuary, and feel free to take one for a friend, too!
- ❖ For the Summer, **Children's worship bulletins & coloring pages** will continue to be available in the four entrances around the church, and you'll find children's bible storybooks in each pew, too.
- ❖ **Reminder**: Clergy & staff will never text or email asking for gift cards.

## PRAYER FOR ST. PAUL'S

O God, our heavenly Father, make the door of St. Paul's Church wide enough to receive all who need love and fellowship and loving care, and narrow enough to shut out all envy, pride and uncharitableness. Make its threshold smooth enough to be no stumbling block to children, but strong enough to turn back the tempter's power.

O heavenly Father, make the door of St. Paul's a gateway to your eternal kingdom; bless every member and worker; may all that we do and say be done and said to your honor and glory and the spreading of your kingdom. May we continue to be forever yours and daily increase through the Holy Spirit in love and service to others; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*



## A PRAYER FOR ST PAUL'S RECTOR SEARCH

Almighty God, giver of every good gift, look graciously on your Church, St. Paul's, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## ST. PAUL'S STAFF

The Reverend Dan Burner  
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The Reverend Sue Ouellette, PhD  
*Deacon*

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*Director, Children & Youth Faith Formation*

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## ST. PAUL'S VESTRY

### Officers

*Wardens:* Erin Glanton & Ingrid Stanlis  
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### Class of 2026

Floyd Bayley  
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