SAINT PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



The Forerunners of Christ with Saints and Martyrs (c. 1423-24) - Fra Angelico (c. 1395-1455)

THE FEAST OF ALL SAINTS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2020 TEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING *Bible Study* | Wednesday evenings at 5:00 p.m. More information: stpaulsrva.org/biblestudy

Evening Prayer on Facebook Live | Monday through Friday evening at 6:00 p.m.

Morning Prayer Podcast | Tuesdays and Thursdays with the Rev. Rainey - listen anytime. www.stpauls.org/churchaway

Morning Meditation | Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. | www.stpaulsrva.org/events/morningmeditation

Children's Sunday School | 9:00 a.m. on Zoom. Contact Linda Willis at lwillis@stpaulsrva.org for Zoom login link.

Community Giving Campaign | Let's be Church Together, so we can be Church Alive. Thank you to everyone who has pledged already! We are 80% towards our goal of \$760,000. If you have not already pledged, you can do so online HERE. Together our gifts help to ensure that we remain a welcoming community for everyone and a church that seeks to meet needs around the corner and across the ocean. You can learn more about this year's campaign and watch our Congregational Forum regarding St. Paul's finances (with follow up questions answered) at stpaulsrva.org/giving/campaign.

A Season of Prayer: For an Election | St. Paul's will be providing opportunities and resources for prayer leading up to and during Election Week. The Church and Memorial Garden will be available for prayer on November 2nd and 3rd, and a walking meditation is planned for November 3rd. Please visit our webpage for details and resources: Click Here for Info.

Stories of St. Paul's | This month's Stories of St. Paul's partners with our Community Giving Campaign and its theme of ChurchTogether to highlight our Vestry members who serve as leaders in the church through the sharing of the time, resources and skills. We encourage you to read this stories, as a way to get to know some of St. Paul's leadership, as well as, read the wonderful stories shared by our parishioners over the past six months: stpaulsrva.org/storiesofstpauls.

Community Engagement Discernment Process Report |

The goal of our discernment on Community Engagement at St. Paul's is to bring new life and renewed purpose to our programs and partnerships. The Spark Mill is helping us in this process. They have a unique focus on non-profits and religious organizations combined with an "asset-based" approach to helping organizations develop and redefine their Community Engagement strategies to get the most from their strengths and passions.

We would like to share with you the data finding from all of the interviews, surveys and focus groups that we held. You can find the full report here (click link below):

READ HERE: DISCERNMENT PROCESS REPORT BACK from THE SPARK MILL

In the next and final phase, the Community Engagement steering committee will partner with The Spark Mill to draft a three-year plan for the Community Engagement ministry based on all the input gathered up to this point. Once a plan is adopted, The Spark Mill will work with the team to build out actionable next steps and a timeline for implementing the plan. For more information and updates: stepsalstya.org/discernmentprocess

HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

——The Entrance Rite——

ORGAN **V**OLUNTARY

Elegy in B Flat

George Thalben-Ball (1896-1987)

WELCOME AND 175TH ANNIVERSARY VIDEO

CHORAL INTROIT

music: William H. Harris (1883-1973) text: from Salisbury Diurnal, George Herbert Palmer (1846-1926)

HOLY IS THE TRUE LIGHT,
and passing wonderful,
lending radiance to them that endured
in the heat of the conflict.
From Christ they inherit
a home of unfading splendour,
wherein they rejoice with gladness evermore.
Alleluia!

OPENING ACCLAMATION

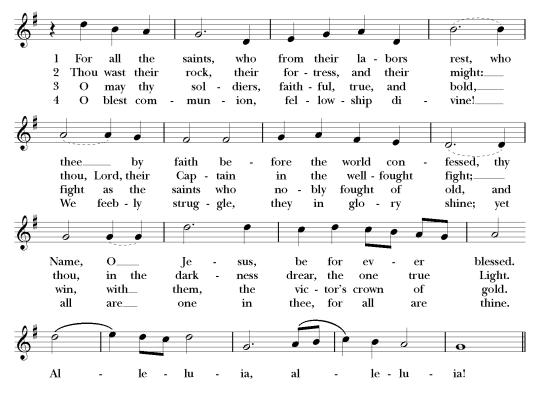
Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People Glory to God for ever and ever.

All say together the Collect for Purity.

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.

HYMN



music: Sine Nomine, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

text: William Walsham How (1823-1897)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Abody of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

THE COLLECT ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEDICATION OF A CHURCH

The Presider continues

ALMIGHTY GOD, TO WHOSE GLORY we celebrate the dedication of this house of prayer: We give you thanks for the fellowship of those who have worshiped in this place, and we pray that all who seek you here may find you, and be filled with your joy and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit one God now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The First Reading Revelation 7:9-17

A FTER THIS I, JOHN, looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. "For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

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

People Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL: PSALM 34:1-10 Benedicam Dominum

chant: Edgar Day (1891-1983)

Sung by the choir.

WILL BLESS THE LORD at all times; * his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

I will glory in the Lord; *

let the humble hear and rejoice.

Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; *

let us exalt his Name together.

I sought the Lord, and he answered me * and delivered me out of all my terror.

Look upon him and be radiant, *

and let not your faces be ashamed.

I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me * and saved me from all my troubles.

The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear him, * and he will deliver them.

Taste and see that the Lord is good; *

happy are they who trust in him!

Fear the Lord, you that are his saints, *

for those who fear him lack nothing.

The young lions lack and suffer hunger, *

but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.

HYMN



music: Grand Isle, John Henry Hopkins (1861-1945) *text:* Lesbia Scott (1898-1986), alt.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 5:1-12

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus saw the Crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Reverend Rainey G. Dankel

BLESSING OF THE ST. PETCA GUILD KNEELERS

Today we dedicate nine needlepoint kneelers to the glory of God and to honor these parishioners:

- Dr. Sidney Jones, given by his wife Susan Jones.
- Walter Scott, given by an anonymous friend.
- Sallie Nolte, given by the Altar Guild.

and in memory of:

- Katherine and Alexander Kissal, given by their daughter and son-in-law, Maria and Joel Everett.
- Mary and Fred Everett, given by their son and daughter-in-law, Maria and Joel Everett.
- Linda Pitts, former Facilities Manager at St. Paul's, given by a group of friends.
- Ruby Martin, attorney and civil rights activist and first African-American vestry member at St. Paul's (1987), given by the History and Reconciliation Initiative.
- Robert Damell, Sexton at St. Paul's for seventeen years, whose 1925 funeral defied norms of racial segregation, given by the History and Reconciliation Initiative.
- Nancy Scott, Margaret Tyler, John Hilton, and Walker Wilson, the first African American members
 of St. Paul's, circa 1848, given by an anonymous donor.

Many thanks go to Laura Jones, Nancy Burns, Barbara Holley, Carolyn Bottger, Maria Everett, Judy Winston, and Lyons Burke for the time they have given to stitch these beautiful kneelers.

Presider Let us pray. O glorious God, all your works proclaim your perfect beauty: Accept our offerings of these kneelers, and grant that they may adorn this sanctuary and show forth your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

[&]quot;Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

[&]quot;Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

[&]quot;Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

[&]quot;Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

[&]quot;Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

[&]quot;Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

[&]quot;Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

[&]quot;Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Presider With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

Intersessor For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God,

and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intersessor For our Presiding Bishop, Michael; for our bishops, Susan, Jennifer, and Porter; for our rector,

Charlie; and for all the clergy and people in every generation who have served you in this place,

let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intersessor For our President, for the leaders of the nations, for all in authority,

and for those who offer themselves for public service, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intersessor For this city of Richmond and its neighboring counties, for every city and community,

and for those who live and work in them, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intersessor For this good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it,

let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intersessor For the poor and the unemployed, for the lonely and those in families,

for the sick and the suffering, especially those we name now, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intersessor For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection and for all the departed,

let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intersessor That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach,

let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Presider Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on

earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercession are acceptable through the

Spirit, who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

People Amen.

Presider We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence is kept.

People Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;

in your compassion, forgive us our sins,

known and unknown,

things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit

that we may live and serve you in newness of life,

to the honor and glory of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Presider offers the absolution.

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

-The Holy Communion-

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

music: Charles Wood (1866-1926) *text:* Thomas Campion (1567-1620)

Never weather-beaten sail more willing bent to shore, never tired pilgrim limbs affected slumber more,
Than my weary spirit now longs to fly out of my troubled breast:
O come quickly, sweetest Lord, and take my soul to rest!

Ever blooming are the joys of heav'n's high Paradise, Old age deafs not there our ears nor vapour dims our eyes: Glory there the sun outshines; whose beams the Blessed only see:

O come quickly, come quickly, glorious Lord, and raise my soul to Thee!

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 him thanks and praise.

Presider It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God,

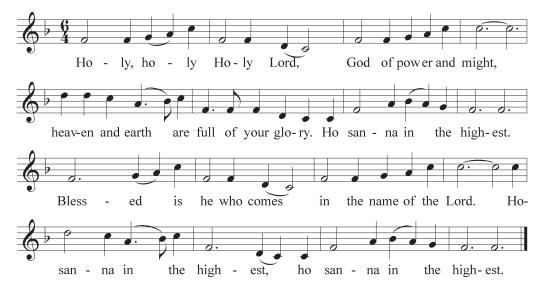
living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing:

Sanctus and Benedictus

Land of Rest



The Presider continues

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Presider and People

WE PRAISE YOU, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name. Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

We remember especially the faithful souls from the St. Paul's family who have died since last year at this time: Alfred C. "Sonny" Harris, Anna Nolde McKenney, Betty L. "Lulee" W. Holt, Beverly M. Sale, Clara Bow Harris Guill, Clinton W. Griffith, Jr., Dan M. Benn, Jr., Herbert A. Claiborne Jr., J. Earle Dunford, Jr., James E. Wingrove, Juanita M. Jones, Linda W. Pitts, Porter Breeden, Robert L. Lewis, Walter W. "Walkie" Scott, Jr., and William H. Moses, Sr. We also remember those whom we love, but see no longer. We also remember those who have died as a result of war, violence, or prejudice (add your prayers). We remember those who have died as a result of homelessness, and those known to God alone (add your prayers).

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with Paul, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

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

UR 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

The Presider breaks the bread followed by silence.

Presider God of promise, you have prepared a banquet for us.

People Happy are those who are called to the Supper of the Lamb.

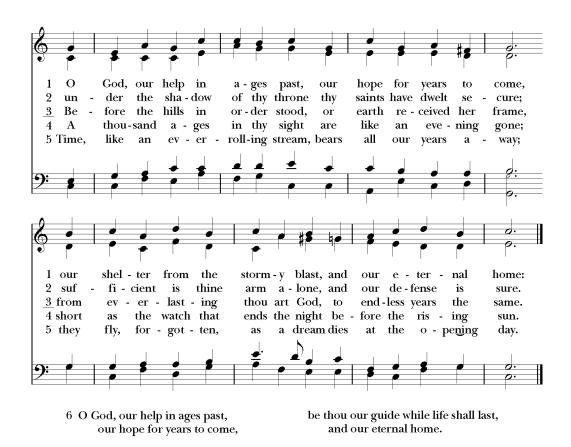
THE COMMUNION

Presider Let us pray.

FAITHFUL GOD, in the wonder of your wisdom and love, you fed your people in the wilderness with the bread of angels and you sent Jesus to be the bread of life. Though we cannot consume these gifts of bread and wine together, we thank you that we have received Christ's presence, the forgiveness of sins, and all other benefits of Christ's passion and resurrection. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may we embody your love, be renewed for your service, and be reflections of the awakened and risen Lord. Amen.

The Presider receives communion on behalf of the community.

HYMN



music: St. Anne, melody att. William Croft (1678-1727), alt.; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889) text: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt.; para. of Psalm 90:1-5

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

The people say together

Cracious Father, we give you praise and thanks for this Holy Communion of the Body and Blood of your beloved Son Jesus Christ, the pledge of our redemption; and we pray that it may bring us forgiveness of our sins, strength in our weakness, and everlasting salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The Presider says

AY ALMIGHTY GOD, to whose glory we celebrate this festival of all the Saints, be now and evermore your guide and companion in the way. **Amen.**

AY GOD, who has bound us together in the company of the elect, in this age and the age to come, attend to the prayers of his faithful servants on your behalf, as he hears your prayers for them. **Amen.**

MAY GOD, who has given us, in the lives of his saints, patterns of holy living and victorious dying, strengthen your faith and devotion, and enable you to bear witness to the truth against all adversity. **Amen.**

AND THE BLESSING OF GOD ALMIGHTY, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**



music: Lasst uns erfreuen, melody from Auserlesene Catholische Geistliche Kirchengeseng, 1623; adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958) text: John Athelstan Laurie Riley (1858-1945)

THE DISMISSAL

The Presider gives the dismissal.

People Thanks be to God!

ORGAN **V**OLUNTARY

Fanfare

William Mathias (1934-1992)

Today's altar flowers are given in memory of James E. West, Margaret O'Neil West, Josephine O'Neil Gregory, and Essie L. Crone.

The flowers at the Moses window are in memory of those who found no home on earth but are now at home with God.

-ABOUT THE ALTAR-

The new altar table (and the credence tables and clergy chairs) were created and crafted by Erich Thompson, a Presbyterian minister who discovered his calling was "Crafting furnishings for sacred spaces". The woods used come from two sources. The lighter wood is Southern Pine, repurposed from the joists that supported the old chancel floor. The darker one is Sapele, brought here from West Africa. The resulting Altar Table fulfills the Project Team's goal of a piece that focuses the congregation's attention on the central action of our worship services, partly through the sweeping curve of the legs which provide an uplifting image and a contrast with the rectilinear elements of the chancel. The piece embodies the reconciliation of the past with the present and looks to the future. The use of the two woods, joined in harmony, embodies the integration of materials from two different sources each with its own attributes and history.

THE NAMES OF THOSE WHOM WE REMEMBER TODAY

Claire Aldrich Helen Huss
Joe Alexander Juanita M. Jones
Muhammed AlHamed Florence Kalbacker

Alcyone Babb and Gayle Dean John Kelly

Phillips
Lee Bassett
Louise Lafoon
Anthony Batchelor
Dan Benn
Dan Bird
Ann Camble Blackte

Pad Medican

Ann Camble Blackte

Ann Gamble Blechta
Chadwick Boseman
Porter Breeden
Anna N. McKenney
Anita Watson Bunce
Henry Radcliffe "Harry" Burt
Maggie Z Burt

Red Madison
Marjorie Marcero
Anna N. McKenney
John Osler McMillan
Alma McKay McMillan
Hughes Melton

Maggie Z Burt Hughes Melton Henry Radcliffe Burt, Sr. Marion Melton

Herbert A. Claiborne, Jr. John Edwin Mendenhall

John Cook Barbara Mercer

Allison and Clarice Crowder

Joanne Crowder

Debo Dabney

Dorothy Miller

Margaret C. Moring

William Moses, Sr.

Debo Dabney William Moses, Sr.
James and Alice Dixon Al Mottesheard
J. Earle Dunford, Jr. Leonard Njoku.

Leo Dunn Anne "Mo" Parrish Elizabeth Fletcher Robert W. Peay Stephen Fore Linda W. Pitts

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Ilsa Fuller William Reid

Mary Ryan Bottger George Willard Van Robinson Fred German Jason David Roman-Nolen

Coral Lee Gills

Clinton W. Griffith

Clara Bow Harris Guill

Edith Hardie

Ida Rhodes

Beverly M. Sale

Robert L. Schneider

Daniel Elroy Schutte

Alfred C. "Sonny" Harris Walter W. Scott, Jr.

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Jack Hite Phillip Steven
Diane Hodgetts Peggy Truman

Betty L. W. "Lulee" Holt Ann West

George Hudgins James Wingrow

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