

THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST OCTOBER 26, 2025, 9:30 AM

As a courtesy to others, please silence your cell phone.

We ask your prayers for: Pat, Monelu, Sharon, Ken, Candace, Lori, Debi, Betty, Nevitt, James, Avery, Pamela, Connie, Linda, Anne, Kim, Ella, and Diana.

And for those serving in the Armed Forces and Diplomatic Corps of our Country: David Craddock, John Sampson, Brett Griffin, Zachary Falter, and Isabel Steen Falter.

See list of Birthdays in the weekly email.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer—The Church.in Wales

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer—Christ Church, Xenia; St. James, Columbus; and Beloved Community Commission in Wales.

The Altar Arrangements are given to the Glory of God.

SERVING TODAY - 10/26/25 - 9:30AM		SERVING NEXT SUN 11/2/25 - 9:30AM	
Altar Guild	Mary Ellen Foster Diane Labrie	Altar Guild	Paul T. Cathy Fain
Chalice Crucifer	Kathleen Walters Kathleen Walters	Chalice	Bob Neben Kathleen Walters
Book	Randy Young	Crucifer	Bob Neben
Reader	Dana Cunningham	Book	Kathleen Walters
Ushers	Diana Uhlman Mike Miller	Reader	Paul T. Diana Uhlman
	Linda Miller	Ushers	Charlie Campbell Micky Neben

Prelude: Praeambulum #4 in E Major (part 1)

Vincent Lübeck

PRAYER REQUESTS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCESSIONAL: HYMN #680 St. Anne

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant 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, Hymnal #S278

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.

Celebrant The Lord be with you. *People* **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 14:7-10,19-22

A Reading from Jeremiah

A lthough our iniquities testify against us, act, O LORD, for your name's sake; our apostasies indeed are many,

and we have sinned against you.

O hope of Israel,

its savior in time of trouble,

why should you be like a stranger in the land, like a traveler turning aside for the night?

Why should you be like someone confused, like a mighty warrior who cannot give help?

Yet you, O LORD, are in the midst of us, and we are called by your name; do not forsake us!

Thus says the LORD concerning this people:

Truly they have loved to wander, they have not restrained their feet;

therefore the LORD does not accept them, now he will remember their iniquity and punish their sins.

Have you completely rejected Judah? Does your heart loathe Zion?

Why have you struck us down so that there is no healing for us?

We look for peace, but find no good; for a time of healing, but there is terror instead.

We acknowledge our wickedness, O LORD, the iniquity of our ancestors, for we have sinned against you.

Do not spurn us, for your name's sake; do not dishonor your glorious throne; remember and do not break your covenant with us.

Can any idols of the nations bring rain?

Or can the heavens give showers?

Is it not you, O LORD our God? We set our hope on you, for it is you who do all this.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

THE RESPONSE: PSALM 84:1-6 (SUNG BY CHOIR)

- 1 How dear to me is your dwelling, O LORD of hosts! *
 My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD;
 my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
- 2 The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; * by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.
- 3 Happy are they who dwell in your house! * they will always be praising you.
- 4 Happy are the people whose strength is in you! * whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.
- 5 Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, * for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.
- 6 They will climb from height to height, * and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.

SECOND READING: 2 TIMOTHY 4:6-8,16-18

A Reading from 2 Timothy

am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

All rise as they are able.

GOSPEL PROCESSION: HYMN #656 Franconia

THE GOSPEL: LUKE 18:9-14

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

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

HOMILY THE REV. JEAN VARGO

SILENT REFLECTION

All stand as they are 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.

Te 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 So

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 - From the book "Hear Our Prayer"

After each petition the people respond with "Hear Our Prayer".

PRAYER SHAWL BLESSING

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

May God's grace be upon this shawl warming, comforting, and enfolding. May this mantle be a safe haven, and sacred place of security and well-being, sustaining and embracing in good times as well as difficult ones. May the ones who receive this shawl be cradled in hope, kept in joy, graced with peace, and wrapped in God's love. **Amen.**

All may stand or kneel

CONFESSION OF SIN

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

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People

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.

Celebrant 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.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

OFFERTORY MUSIC: A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD

Luther/Bach

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing: for still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe; his craft and power are great, and, armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing; were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing: dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he; Lord Sabaoth his Name, from age to age the same, and he must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us; we will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to triumph through us; the prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him; his rage we can endure, for lo! His doom is sure, one little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth; the Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth; let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; the body they may kill: God's truth abideth still, his kingdom is forever.

The People stand

HYMN #380, vs. 3

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer C, Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 369

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and

praise.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of

interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this

fragile earth, our island home.

People By your will they were created and have their being.

Celebrant From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and

blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we

turned against one another.

People Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Celebrant Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages

you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the

way of freedom and peace.

People By his blood, he reconciled us.

By his wounds, we are healed.

Celebrant And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with

prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in

their unending hymn:

SANCTUS, Hymnal #S125

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

All stand or kneel.

The Celebrant continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **Amen.**

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER, BCP 364

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 BREAKING OF THE BREAD BCP 364

FRACTION ANTHEM: #37 FROM ENRICHING OUR MUSIC 1







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Celebrant

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

COMMUNION MUSIC: HYMN #314

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Please stand or kneel

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

ternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING OF THE PEOPLE

RECESSIONAL: HYMN #111 IN LEVAS

Nettleton

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: PRAEAMBULUM #4 IN E MAJOR (PART 2)

Vincent Lübeck

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OTHER NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY IS STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY - Following today's worship service, browse an interactive MINI MINISTRY MALL in the Parish Hall. Whether your interests lie with WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES, such as Altar Guild, Ushers, Readers or the Choir, or lean toward PARISH LIFE EVENTS like the Book Club, Spaghetti Supper or Coffee Hour, or OUTREACH ACTIVITIES including Prayer Shawl Ministry, and Canterbury Court, there is a place for your time and talents. Help rejuvenate Formation or the Foyer Groups, or volunteer to answer the office telephone or stuff mailings. Whatever your interest or availability, your involvement is welcome and needed. A delicious BRUNCH awaits you in the Parish Hall . Leon Chuck has prepared a video to celebrate the first 100 years of St. Paul's and Charlie Campbell will entertain us on his accordion. Senior Warden, Paul Sampson, has planned an interesting and informative program and will discuss the process of beginning our search for a new Priest in Charge or Rector. You will receive your Stewardship Pledge Packet by mail early this week.

STEWARSHIP THEME: MORE THAN ENOUGH

More Than Enough is our stewardship theme this year which comes from Luke's version of the feeding of five thousand. The day was getting late and the Apostles asked Jesus how they could feed such a huge crowd. Jesus saw only a boy's small lunch of five loaves of bread and two fishes. He held them up and blessed them. Responding to Jesus' call, the crowd of 5000 turned their pockets inside out, shook out their blankets, rummaged through their parcels to find enough to take care of the needs of the community. And what did they realize? That by the miracles of faith and the actions of love, there was more than enough!

Our stewardship campaign is like that ancient story: if each of us contributes what we can it will provide enough—enough to fund our operations and an abundance more to take care of our neighbors and plan for the future.

Socks for Tots - Please consider donating Socks for Tots, for the homeless preschool children at St. Vincent de Paul's homeless shelter. They are ages 2 - 6 years old. With the colder temperatures coming these socks will warm small feet. There is a Socks for Tots box in the Narthex. Thank you!

All Saints' Sunday, November 2 - If you have a loved one who died this past year and you'd like them remembered on All Saints' Sunday, please email their name to Lois in the parish office at lois@stpauls-dayton.org, or call the office at 937-293-1154. Please have names submitted by Monday, October 27. Thank you.

Movie Night - Thursday, October 30 - When Harry Met Sally (1989) starring Billy Crystal, Meg Ryan and Carrie Fisher has been described as a "Timeless Romance." Director Rob Reiner even cast his own mother to deliver the classic one-liner in Katz's Deli that is still being quoted today. If you don't know the famous line, come see the movie. Or simply come to refresh your memory. Join us for dinner at 6:00 PM, movie at 6:30 and popcorn throughout.

Honoring and Remembering our Veterans – On Sunday, November 9th we will celebrate our Veterans. If you are a veteran, please give your name and branch of service to Lois in our parish office by emailing her at lois@stpauls-dayton.org or by calling the church office at 937-293-1154. Please have all names in by November 1st. We look forward to honoring you and your service to our country. Thank you.

Please plan to remain in the sanctuary following the postlude, for the singing of the "Armed Forces Medley."

St. Paul's is an election polling location! A few years ago, The Montgomery County Board of Elections reached out to St. Paul's requesting use of the facility as a polling location. After an assessment by the BOE and discussion with St. Paul's leadership, St. Paul's agreed. After just a few bumps the first year, this partnership is running smoothly and although it is mainly self-contained, we give a friendly hello to voters and volunteers as we see them in the building. Please remember if you stop by on election day that there will be many pedestrians and traffic and parking will be busy. Thank you!

The next Election Day is Tuesday, November 4th.

Upcoming Dates:

- November 2 All Saints' Sunday If you have a deceased loved one you would like remembered in church, please email Lois at lois@stpauls-dayton.org
- **November 9** Honoring our Veterans Please email Lois at lois@stpauls-dayton.org to give the name and branch of service of the Veteran.
- November 9 Look Back, Look Forward event at St. Paul's following worship at 10:45am. Join us in the Parish Hall for finger foods and discussion to look at a bigger and different picture, to think about what it means to be the church together and what it means to be stronger and better together.

Name Badges - The name badges have been updated to the best of our knowledge. Please let Pat Harbert know if you would like to have one or need one updated by writing your name (legibly please) on a piece of paper and giving it to Pat or an usher, or email Pat at nanahph@gmail.com. We also need to know if you want your badge to be magnetic or hanging on a lanyard. It will be so nice to put a name to a face.

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WELCOME!

We're glad you're here today! Your presence with us is a blessing. We invite you to participate in worship, say the prayers, sing the songs, and introduce yourself. You'll find a visitor card in the pew back in front of you. We're so excited to meet you.

WORSHIP TIMES

9:30 am - Worship Service with Hymns

Office hours: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Monday – Thursday

9:00 am - 12:00 pm on Friday

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ST. PAUL'S VESTRY

Class of 2026 - Linda Bumiller, Charlie Campbell, Steve Ireland
Class of 2027 - Cheryl Strine, Kathleen Walters
Class of 2028 - Chris Brandt, Jill Davis
Senior Warden (term expires 2026)- Paul Sampson
Junior Warden (term expires 2026)- Joe Cairo

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