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PAUL'S
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THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

MORNING PRAYER

AUGUST 31, 2025, 10:00 AM

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

We ask your prayers for: Nevitt, James, Avery, Mary Beth, Pamela, Connie, Linda, Shannon, Anne, Kim, Ella, Diana, and Kassie.

And for those serving in the Armed Forces and Diplomatic Corps of our Country: David Craddock, John Sampson, Isaac Maze, Brandon Wood, F. David Geesler, Dylan Ferguson, Brett Griffin, Joshua Elliott, R.J. DaPrato, Philip Pretzinger, Zachary Falter, and Isabel Steen Falter.

See list of Birthdays in the weekly email.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer—The Church of South India (United).

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer—St. Timothy's, Cincinnati; and St. John's, Cambridge

The Altar Arrangements are given to the Glory of God

Today, we welcome violinist and cellist Betsey and Mark Hofeldt. They will provide special music during the prelude, offertory and postlude. A big thank-you goes out to the Hofeldts for enhancing our service with their musical gifts.

SERVING TODAY -8/31/25
MORNING PRAYER

Altar Guild	Mary Ellen Foster Cathy Fain
Crucifer	Bob Neben
Reader	Ruth Anne Alexander Mary Ellen Foster
Ushers	Stan Alexander Diane Labrie

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY - 9/7/25
MORNING PRAYER

Altar Guild	Mary Anna Conley Cheryl Strine
Crucifer	TBD
Reader	Paul T. Charlie Campbell
Ushers	Charlie Campbell Micky Neben

PRELUDE: SONATA IN D MINOR, OP. 5 #7 (MOVEMENTS 1-3)

A. CORELLI

PRAYER REQUESTS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please Stand

PROCESSIONAL: HYMN #376

HYMN TO JOY

OPENING SENTENCE, BCP, PG.78

CONFESSION OF SIN

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

Officiant and People kneeling together

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.**

ABSOLUTION

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

Standing

INVITATORY

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Officiant and People

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen. Alleluia.**

Officiant Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness:
People **Come let us adore him. Alleluia.**

VENITE HYMNAL #S35 (*Sung by all*)

Please be seated

PSALM 81:1, 10-16 (*Spoken by all*)

- 1 Sing with joy to God our strength *
and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.
- 10 I am the LORD your God,
who brought you out of the land of Egypt and said, *
"Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it."
- 11 And yet my people did not hear my voice, *
and Israel would not obey me.
- 12 So I gave them over to the stubbornness of their hearts, *
to follow their own devices.
- 13 Oh, that my people would listen to me! *
that Israel would walk in my ways!
- 14 I should soon subdue their enemies *
and turn my hand against their foes.
- 15 Those who hate the LORD would cringe before him, *
and their punishment would last for ever.
- 16 But Israel would I feed with the finest wheat *
and satisfy him with honey from the rock.

FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 2:4-13

A Reading from Jeremiah

Hear the word of the LORD, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel. Thus says the LORD:
What wrong did your ancestors find in me
that they went far from me,
and went after worthless things, and became worthless themselves?
They did not say, "Where is the LORD
who brought us up from the land of Egypt,
who led us in the wilderness,
in a land of deserts and pits,
in a land of drought and deep darkness,

in a land that no one passes through,
 where no one lives?"
 I brought you into a plentiful land
 to eat its fruits and its good things.
 But when you entered you defiled my land,
 and made my heritage an abomination.
 The priests did not say, "Where is the LORD?"
 Those who handle the law did not know me;
 the rulers transgressed against me;
 the prophets prophesied by Baal,
 and went after things that do not profit.
 Therefore once more I accuse you, says the LORD,
 and I accuse your children's children.
 Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look,
 send to Kedar and examine with care;
 see if there has ever been such a thing.
 Has a nation changed its gods,
 even though they are no gods?
 But my people have changed their glory
 for something that does not profit.
 Be appalled, O heavens, at this,
 be shocked, be utterly desolate,
 says the LORD,
 for my people have committed two evils:
 they have forsaken me,
 the fountain of living water,
 and dug out cisterns for themselves,
 cracked cisterns
 that can hold no water.

<i>Reader</i>	Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God.

(Standing)

CANTICLE 16, THE SONG OF ZECHARIAH *(Said by all, BCP pg. 92)*

Please be seated

SECOND READING: HEBREWS 13:1-8, 15-16

A Reading from Hebrews

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence,

"The Lord is my helper;

I will not be afraid.

What can anyone do to me?"

Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

Standing

CANTICLE 21, YOU ARE GOD (*Said by all, BCP pg. 95*)

THIRD READING: LUKE 14:1, 7-14

A Reading from the Gospel of Luke

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

HOMILY

THE REV. MR. OTTO ANDERSON

SILENT REFLECTION

Standing

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Officiant Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our
life and labor to the Lord.

Please be seated

OFFERTORY: EXCERPT FORM "LA FOLIA"

A. CORELLI

Standing

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.**

Standing or kneeling

THE PRAYERS

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray.

THE LORD'S PRAYER, BCP p. 97

SUFFRAGES

V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

R. Govern and uphold them, now and always.

V. Day by day we bless you;

R. We praise your Name for ever.

V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;

R. Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.

V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;

R. For we put our trust in you.

V. In you, Lord, is our hope;

R. And we shall never hope in vain.

COLLECTS

Collect of the Day: Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever **Amen.**

A Collect for Sundays: O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Collect for Mission: Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do

not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. **Amen.**

The Congregation is invited to add their Prayers of Intercession and Thanksgiving at this time, either silently or aloud.

Standing

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Officiant and People

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all the ages. **Amen.**

PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Officiant

Let us bless the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

CLOSING PRAYER

Officiant Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL: HYMN #111 IN LEVAS

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POSTLUDE: SONATA IN D MINOR, OP. 5 #7 (MOVEMENT 4)

A. CORELLI

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NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Message from Rev. Jean Vargo - Our first couple months together I would like to hear your story, your thoughts on your parish, and on your personal journey. I am open to meeting after church, or at a near by coffee shop. Feel free to give me a shout out and schedule a time or just drop in.

Next week on **Tuesday (September 2) I will be at Epic Coffee Shop**, 22 W. Stroop Rd in Kettering, from 10am - 1pm. On **Thursday, (September 4), I will be at Pettibone Coffee Shop**, 215 Woodman Dr. in Dayton from 11am - 1pm. Following the designated coffee shop times listed above, I will be in my office here at St. Paul's on Tuesday and at St. Mark's on Thursday.

Would you like to be on our Membership Audit Committee - As part of the interim process we do what is called a membership audit. The membership audit helps the parish know who the members are, who ought to be on the mailing list, who has transferred to another parish, and so forth. One of the purposes of this audit is to see who is a member and who is an active member. Those listings will tell us who we are pastorally responsible for. We will also go through the listing of those who have subscribed to the newsletter. The purpose is to know who is not receiving communication from the parish and will need postal service mail to communicate parish news.

We will spend time on either a Sunday afternoon or a Wednesday morning or afternoon. If this is your skill and passion, give the office a call and let us know. I look forward to working with you as well as communicating with those who have not heard from us.

Thank you for all you do, and blessings to you.

Rev. Jean Vargo

Canterbury Court needs your help! Canterbury Court needs volunteers for an upcoming resident activities. Please contact Nancy Downey at 937-609-2234 if you can help!

September 19 from 1:30 - 4:00pm - Help with the country hoedown party.

You can come dressed in western or country attire if you want.

This should be a fun time for residents and volunteers.

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

10:00 am - Sung 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 - Spencer Izor, Cheryl Strine, Kathleen Walters

Class of 2028 - Ruth Anne Alexander, Chris Brandt, Jill Davis

Senior Warden (*term expires 2026*)- Paul Sampson

Junior Warden (*term expires 2026*)- Joe Cairo

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