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**THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**MORNING PRAYER**

**SEPTEMBER 7, 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 Anglican Church of Southern Africa.

**In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**—St. Mary's, Waynesville; and Episcopal Seminaries

**The Altar Arrangements** are given to the Glory of God

**SERVING TODAY -9/7/25**

**MORNING PRAYER**

<b>Altar Guild</b>	Mary Anna Conley Cheryl Strine
<b>Crucifer</b>	OPEN
<b>Reader</b>	Paul T. Charlie Campbell
<b>Ushers</b>	Charlie Campbell Micky Neben

**SERVING NEXT SUNDAY - 9/14/25**

<b>Altar Guild</b>	Dana Cunningham Cathy Kremmel
<b>Crucifer</b>	OPEN
<b>Book</b>	OPEN
<b>Chalice</b>	OPEN
<b>Reader</b>	Dana Cunningham Diana Uhlman
<b>Ushers</b>	Margaret Sampson Micky Neben

**WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES BEGIN SEPTEMBER 21**

**Every Sunday Mass at both parishes**

**9:30am - St. Paul's Worship**

**8:45 am - Coffee and Fellowship**

**11:30am - St. Mark's Worship**

**10:30am - Education and Fellowship**

**PRELUDE:** SONATA IN C MAJOR, K. 545

*W. A. MOZART*

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Please Stand*

**PROCESSIONAL:** HYMN #473

*CRUCIFER*

**OPENING SENTENCE,** BCP, PG.78

**CONFESSION OF SIN**

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

*Officiant and People kneeling together*

**M**ost 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 139:1-5, 12-17** (*Spoken by all*)

- 1 LORD, you have searched me out and known me; \*  
    you know my sitting down and my rising up;  
    you discern my thoughts from afar.
- 2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places \*  
    and are acquainted with all my ways.
- 3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, \*  
    but you, O LORD, know it altogether.
- 4 You press upon me behind and before \*  
    and lay your hand upon me.
- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; \*  
    it is so high that I cannot attain to it.
- 12 For you yourself created my inmost parts; \*  
    you knit me together in my mother's womb.
- 13 I will thank you because I am marvelously made; \*  
    your works are wonderful, and I know it well.
- 14 My body was not hidden from you, \*  
    while I was being made in secret  
    and woven in the depths of the earth.
- 15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;  
    all of them were written in your book; \*  
    they were fashioned day by day,  
    when as yet there was none of them.
- 16 How deep I find your thoughts, O God! \*  
    how great is the sum of them!
- 17 If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; \*  
    to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

**FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 18:1-11**

A Reading from Jeremiah

**T**he word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: "Come, go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words." So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him.

Then the word of the LORD came to me: Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the LORD. Just like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the LORD: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

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

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

*(Standing)*

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

*Please be seated*

**SECOND READING: PHILEMON 1-21**

A Reading from Philemon

**P**aul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,  
To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our  
fellow soldier, and to the church in your house:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love-- and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and

now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother-- especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

*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 14:25-33**

A Reading from the Gospel of Luke

**N**ow large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

*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:** SONATINA OP. 36, NO. 4

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*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.       Show us your mercy, O Lord;

R.       **And grant us your salvation.**

V.       Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

R.       **Let your people sing with joy.**

V.       Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

R.       **For only in you can we live in safety.**

V.       Lord, keep this nation under your care;

R.       **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

V.       Let your way be known upon earth;

R.       **Your saving health among all nations.**

V.       Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

R.       **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

V.       Create in us clean hearts, O God;

R.       **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

### COLLECTS

*Collect of the Day:* Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for 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 Prayer attributed to St. Francis: (said by all)*

**Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we re-**



ceive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. **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*

**A**lmighty 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 #675

*BOURBON*

**POSTLUDE:** SONATA

*LIDÓN*

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## NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**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

**Games Night at St. Mark's on Friday, September 19 from 6pm - 9pm** - Join us for a fun, relaxing evening of board games, card games, and kids' games! There will be lots of games here, and you're welcome to bring your own favorite. (The Dominoes Gang is always looking for new players!) Pizza and snacks will be provided; contributions welcome. Questions? Contact TJ at [TJWalch@gmail.com](mailto:TJWalch@gmail.com).

St. Mark's is located at 456 Woodman Drive, Dayton 45431

**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](mailto: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

### ST. PAUL'S STAFF

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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** - 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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