

St. Paul's Episcopal Church



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Sunday Worship: 10:00AM

Office Hours: 8:15am until 1:00pm Monday – Thursday

Serving Montrose and surrounding communities
With God's Love through Jesus Christ
Since 1831

Welcome to St. Paul's, Montrose, PA. We are so thankful that you are worshipping with us on this day. We have served Montrose and surrounding communities with God's love through Jesus Christ since 1831; and invite you to join with us in this long tradition of service. Please accept our hospitality; any member can assist you to our Coffee Hour in the Parish House following the worship service. Thank you for joining us this day. We invite you to come again and, with God's love, be a part of St. Paul's.

OUR VISION: To be a community of faith that shares the transforming love of God with all people through Jesus Christ our Lord.

OUR MISSION: To proclaim God's love by word and example and to seek Christ in one another.

The Holy Eucharist

Announcements

The Prelude *Bread of the World in Mercy Broken*

Bourgeois

The Gathering Hymn *For the beauty of the earth*

Hymn 416

THE WORD OF GOD

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

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

Collect for Purity

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The Gloria

S 280

The Collect of the Day

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The First Lesson:

Genesis 2:18-24

The LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." So out of the ground the LORD God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found

a helper as his partner. So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken." Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

The Response:

Psalms 8 BCP Page 592

The Epistle:

Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere, "What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, subjecting all things under their feet." Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

Reader: The Word of the Lord

***People:* Thanks be to God**

The Sequence Hymn *Love divine, all loves excelling* Hymn 657

The Gospel

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

***People:* Glory to you Lord Christ**

Mark 10:2-16

Some Pharisees came, and to test Jesus they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." But Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate." Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery." People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Homily

The Nicene Creed

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The Prayers of the People

Let us offer prayers to our loving God whose Son took little children in his arms and blessed them, saying: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

For the Church: especially for Michael our Presiding Bishop and Kevin our Bishop, that believers everywhere may be made one in a covenant of fidelity, love and service, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on the people of St. Paul's as we anticipate and prepare for the person you will raise up for us to be the next rector of our parish. May we receive a faithful pastor who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For this parish family, that we may each be faithful to our promises and commitments to spouses, children, parents, communities and friends, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all children, that they may be warmly welcomed into families and supported as they grow and develop into the persons God calls them to be, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For peace, that God will transform hearts that are hard and minds that are closed, so that bloodshed may end and peace may be established for all in places of conflict, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For the people of Palu, Indonesia dealing with the aftermath of an earthquake and tsunami, and for all those everywhere who are homeless and hungry, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all those in need of our prayers, remembering especially Margaret, Brad, Rick, Becky, Kathy, Joe, Esther, Charlotte, Alice, Jean, Charlotte, Esther, Jeanette, Jeanne, Bart, Steve, Fr. Paul, Marian; let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For all those suffering from addictions, that they may desire a clean and sober life, and find the resources for their bodies, minds and spirits that will allow them to do so; for all those who love someone who is addicted, that comfort and support be provided in their journeys; for all in the healing community assisting recovery, that the Holy Spirit will refresh and strengthen them; for ourselves, that we share the power of God's healing and transforming love with all touched by this addictions epidemic; for St. Paul's that a spirit of unity in witness and action will be among us. Merciful God, accept the fervent prayers of your people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

For those who have died, remembering especially.....that having put their faith in Jesus, they may be crowned with glory and honor, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Lifting our voices with all creation, with Mary the God-bearer and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.

To you, O Lord our God.

Celebrant: God of truth, receive the prayers we offer you this day and give us grace to be faithful to our families, our communities, and all the glorious creation your have made, through him who is not ashamed to call us brothers and sisters, our Savior Jesus Christ. AMEN.

Confession and Absolution
The Peace

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HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory	<i>O bless the Lord, my soul!</i>	Hymn 411 v. 1-3
The Doxology:	<i>Praise God from whom all blessings flow</i>	Hymn 380, v3
The Eucharistic Prayer B		BCP page 367
The Sanctus		S124
The Lord's Prayer		
The Breaking of the Bread		
The Fraction Anthem		S161
The Communion		
	<i>Everyone is invited to the Lord's Table to receive the Sacrament or a Blessing.</i>	
	<i>Please cross your arms over your chest if you wish to receive a Blessing.</i>	
The Hymn during Communion		
	Choir Sings First Verse then Congregation joins in.	
	<i>O Lord, hear my prayer</i>	WLP 827
The Post Communion Prayer		BCP page 365
The Blessing		
The Parting Hymn	<i>Now thank we all our God</i>	Hymn 397
The Dismissal		
The Postlude	<i>Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above</i>	Schutz

Altar Flowers today are from John Finlon & Vida A. Kiefer In Memory of Vida Finlon.

Our Ministers Today:

Presider and Preacher: The Rev. John Wagner

Pianist: Joyce Printz

Altar Guild: Sandy Seeger & Marsha Jones

Announcements: Lynne Graham

Camera & Broadcast: Al Leigh & Andrew Wurth

Acolyte: Benjamin Zalewski or Sean Eckert

Counters: Tom Undercoffler & David Calby

Chalice Bearer: Nancy Dooling

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