

# 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      *Thanksgiving Hymn*,      tune Lyons, arr. Johann M. Hayden

The Gathering Hymn      *O day of radiant gladness*      Hymn 48

### **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      BCP page 355

The Gloria      S 280

The Collect of the Day      BCP page 236

**The First Lesson:**      **Daniel 12:1-3**

The Lord spoke to Daniel in a vision and said, "At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those

who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.”

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord

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

**The Response:** Please respond by the half verse to our reading of **Psalm 16**, found on page 599 in your prayer book.

*Reader:* Glory be to the Father, to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

*People:* **As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen!**

**The Epistle:**

**Hebrews 10:11-14 (15-18) 19-25**

Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, “he sat down at the right hand of God,” and since then has been waiting “until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.” For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. [And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying, “This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds,” he also adds, “I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.” Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.] Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord

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

The Sequence Hymn *All my hope on God is founded* Hymn 665, v 1 & 2

## The Gospel

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

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

### Mark 13:1-8

As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down." When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birthpangs."

*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

As we wait for the day of the Lord, let us offer prayers to God through Jesus who is our refuge and our hope, saying: Hear us and help us, O Holy One.

For the Church: especially for Michael our Presiding Bishop and Kevin our bishop, that through our deeds of compassion and our faithful witness, we may be a light in times of confusion and turmoil, let us pray to the Lord.

**Hear us and help us, O Holy One.**

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.

**Hear us and help us, O Holy One.**

For this Parish Family, that we may recognize the signs of the times and God's presence and call each day, let us pray to the Lord.

**Hear us and help us, O Holy One.**

For a deeper understanding of stewardship, that recognizing all of our gifts from God, we may place them in the service of God's kingdom, let us pray to the Lord.

**Hear us and help us, O Holy One.**

For all the fire fighters, families and communities whose lives and homes are threatened and devastated in California.

**Hear us and help us, O Holy One.**

As we prepare for the Transgender Day of Remembrance on Tuesday, we give thanks for the courage of our Trans Siblings in every age and place. We pray for a community in which they will feel secure to live visible lives and be affirmed, welcomed, loved and treasured at every level of our church and society.

**Hear us and help us, O Holy One.**

For the gift of hope, that no matter what challenges we face, we may remain confident that with God all things are possible, let us pray to the Lord.

**Hear us and help us, O Holy One.**

For all those in any anguish of body, mind and spirit, remembering especially Margaret, Brad, Rick, Becky, Kathy, Joe, Esther, Charlotte, Alice, Jean, Charlotte, Esther, Jeanette, Jeanne, Bart, Steve, Kristina, Richard .....; that they may find hope in Christ's words and help from Christ's followers, let us pray to the Lord.

**Hear us and help us, O Holy One.**

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.

**Hear us and help us, O Holy One.**

For those who have died, remembering especially .....that they may awake to everlasting life and shine like the stars for all eternity, let us pray to the Lord.

**Hear us and help us, O Holy One.**

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 all times and places, hear the prayers we offer this day and grant us grace to hold fast to the confession of our hope, without wavering, in the assurance of your faithfulness, through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution  
The Peace

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## HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory  
The Doxology: *Praise God from whom all blessings flow*  
The Eucharistic Prayer B  
The Sanctus  
The Lord's Prayer  
The Breaking of the Bread

Choir  
Hymn 380, v3  
BCP page 367  
S124

The Fraction Anthem  
The Communion

S161

*Everyone is invited to the Lord's Table to receive the Sacrament or a Blessing.  
Please cross your arms over your chest if you wish to receive a Blessing.*

The Hymn during Communion *Jesus came, adored by angels* Hymn 454  
Choir Sings First Verse then Congregation joins in.

The Post Communion Prayer

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The Blessing

The Parting Hymn *"Thy kingdom come!" on bended knee* Hymn 615 vs 1-3,5

The Dismissal

The Postlude

**Altar Flowers today are In Memory of Loved Ones.**

**Our Ministers Today:**

Presider and Preacher: The Rev. John Wagner

Organist & Choir Director: Catherine Hammons

Altar Guild: Mary & Ben Zalewski

Announcements: Lynne Graham

Camera & Broadcast: Al Leigh & Andrew Wurth

Acolyte: Benjamin Zalewski or Sean Eckert

Counters: Dan Graham & Steve Kupscznk

Chalice Bearer: Vickie Calby

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**Pledge Sunday today** along with the ingathering of the **United Thank Offering boxes.**

**It's Country Store Time** The Country Store is right around the bend. It will be on Saturday, December 1st this year from 9 to 3. As always, we need many helpers and many donations. Start bringing in those treasures and craft items for our sale tables. Bake up a storm for the bake table or bring a bottle of cheer for the raffle baskets. Most importantly, come have a hot bowl of soup or chili and share some fellowship with your Montrose community.

**Stuffing Mix** Susquehanna County Interfaith is collecting Stuffing Mix for the Christmas Dinner Giveaway. Our goal is 50 Boxes. We need them by **Sun. Dec. 9th.**

"Memory Luncheon" for the recovery community on **Sun., Dec. 9** at 12:30 p.m.