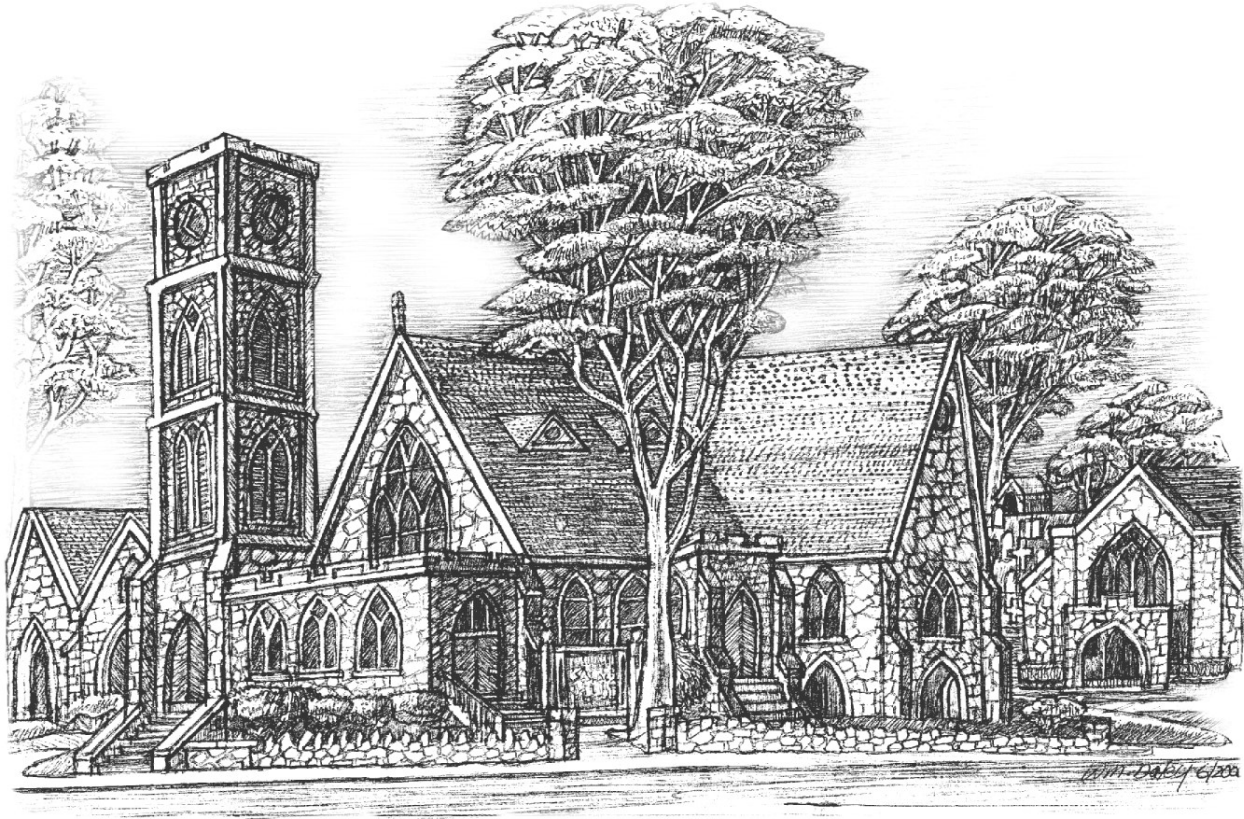


ST PAUL'S ELKINS PARK

An Inclusive Multicultural Episcopal Church



The Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 11, 2023 10:00 AM

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Welcome to St. Paul's Elkins Park!

***We are on a mission to know Christ;
to make Christ known in our community;
and to follow His Way of compassion and service to others.***

Sunday Service

10:00 AM in the Sanctuary or on ZOOM Family Communion
Contemporary worship with ancient depth, with many kinds of music.

Tuesday Service

10:00 AM ZOOM Spoken Morning Prayer

Start your day with beauty and devotion with this 15-minute service.

Intellectual, Devotional, and Faithful - Tuesday ZOOM Bible Study

11:00-12:00

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*St. Paul's Episcopal Church is a multi-cultural community of faith
with members from all over the world.*

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Holy Eucharist

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Tessika McClendon, Soprano

Shango-Jamal Lewis, Baritone

The Ministry of the Word

Prelude:

WELCOME

Opening Hymn

The God of Abraham praise

Blue Hymnal #401 vs. 1,2,5

Join our soloists and sing along!

The God of A-braham praise,

who reigns enthroned above;

Ancient of Everlasting Days,

and God of Love;

The Lord, the great I AM!

by earth and heaven confessed;

We bow and bless the sacred name

forever blest.

He by himself hath sworn:

We on his oath depend;

We shall, on eagle's wings upborn,

To heaven ascend

We shall behold His face,

We shall his power adore,

And sing the wonders of his grace

For ever more

The whole triumphant host

give thanks to God on high

Hail Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

they ever cry

Hail, A-braham's Lord divine
With heaven our songs we raise
All majesty and might are thine
and endless praise

Celebrant Blessed be the Lord Our God.
People **For ever and ever. Alleluia.**

Hymn of Glory

Glorious is the name of Jesus
Join our soloists and sing along at home!

Lift Every Voice #63

Glorious is the name of Jesus
Praises to his Name
Oh, glorious and righteous and Holy is His Name
Oh, glorious is his name

I feel his presence in this place,
His Spirit has control,
Can't you feel his warm embrace
And all the joy within your soul.
Oh, Glorious is His Name [Repeats]

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Let us pray.

O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson

A reading from Genesis 12:1-9

Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother's son Lot, and all the possessions that they had gathered, and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran; and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. Then the Lord appeared to Abram, and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him. From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the Lord and invoked the name of the Lord. And Abram journeyed on by stages toward the Negeb.

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 33:1-12

Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous; *
it is good for the just to sing praises.
Praise the Lord with the harp; *
play to him upon the psaltery and lyre.
Sing for him a new song; *
sound a fanfare with all your skill upon the trumpet.
For the word of the Lord is right, *
and all his works are sure.
He loves righteousness and justice; *
the loving-kindness of the Lord fills the whole earth.
By the word of the Lord were the heavens made, *
by the breath of his mouth all the heavenly hosts.
He gathers up the waters of the ocean as in a water-skin *
and stores up the depths of the sea.
Let all the earth fear the Lord; *
let all who dwell in the world stand in awe of him.
For he spoke, and it came to pass; *
he commanded, and it stood fast.
The Lord brings the will of the nations to naught; *
he thwarts the designs of the peoples.

But the Lord's will stands fast for ever, *
and the designs of his heart from age to age.
Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord! *
happy the people he has chosen to be his own!

The Second Lesson

A reading from the Letter to the Romans 4:13-25

The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”) —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become “the father of many nations,” according to what was said, “So numerous shall your descendants be.” He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith “was reckoned to him as righteousness.” Now the words, “it was reckoned to him,” were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Hymn

There is a balm in Gilead

Join our soloists and sing along at home!

Lift Every Voice #203

[Refrain]

There is a balm in Gilead
to make the wounded whole;
There is a balm in Gilead
to heal the sin sick soul.

Sometimes I feel discouraged
and think my work's in vain,
But then the Holy Spirit
revives my soul again.

[Refrain]

If you cannot preach like Peter,
if you cannot pray like Paul,
You can tell the love of Jesus
and say, "He died for all."

[Refrain]

Don't ever feel discouraged,
for Jesus is your friend;
And if you lack for knowledge,
He'll never refuse to lend.

[Refrain]

The Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth;
and he said to him, "Follow me."

And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax
collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the
Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax
collectors and sinners?" But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have

no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread throughout that district.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Homily

The Rev. Paul DeWitt Reid

Our Affirmation of Trust in all that is Holy

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We 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 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.

The Prayers of the People

The Reader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

(Silence)

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For Congress and the President, for peace among the nations, for all those in uniform
now serving in harm's way, and for those who suffer for the sake of conscience.

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

Give us hope in this time of uncertainty. Strengthen those who are afraid and give us
courage in the face of violence and hate. Open our hearts and the hearts of our
enemies to your ways of peace; break down the walls that divide us

Make us instruments of reconciliation and show forth your love.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, for Daniel, our Diocesan Bishop; for Paul, our Rector, for Simpson, our Priest Associate, for David our Music Director, for Tessika and Shango-Jamal, our singers, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all people everywhere;

For all who serve in God's Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation,

(The People may add their own petitions, either silently or aloud)

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

(The People may add their own thanksgivings either silently or aloud)

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

(The People may add their own petitions for those who have died,
silently or aloud.)

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

Celebrant & People

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask, help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbors:

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.**

The Priest says

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

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of Christ be always with you.

People

And also with you.

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Words of Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

Enriching Our Worship

Eucharistic Prayer I

The Offertory

Tessika McClendon, soprano

The Doxology

The Blue Hymnal #380 verse 3

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise Him all creatures here below

Praise Him above ye heavenly host

Praise Father, Son & Holy Ghost. Amen.

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 our thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues

It is truly right, and good and joyful,

to give you thanks, all-holy God,

source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing

and fed us with your constant love;
you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ
and knit us into one body.
Through your Spirit you replenish us
and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels
and with the faithful of every generation,
we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Celebrant and People **Blue Hymnal #S130**
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.
heaven and earth are full; full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant
Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of the universe and giver of life.
You formed us in your own image
and called us to dwell in your infinite love.
You gave the world into our care
that we might be your faithful stewards.

But we failed to honor your image
in one another and in ourselves;
we would not see your goodness in the world around us;
and so we violated your creation,
abused one another,
and rejected your love.
Yet you never ceased to care for us,
and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah
you called us into covenant with you.
You delivered us from slavery,
sustained us in the wilderness,
and raised up prophets
to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time,
you sent your eternal Word,
made mortal flesh in Jesus.
Born into the human family,
and dwelling among us,
he revealed your glory.
Giving himself freely to death on the cross,
he triumphed over evil,
opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, 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."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood poured out in forgiveness. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again;

The Celebrant continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with St. Paul and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name forever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

And now, let us say together the words our savior taught us,

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

People: We who are many are one body, for we all
share in the one bread and the one cup

Agnus Dei

Blue Hymnal #S164

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world:
give us your peace, give us your peace.

Celebrant

The Gifts of God for the People of God. All are welcome at the Lord's table.

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant and People

Loving God, we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image and
nourishing us with spiritual food in the
Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now
send us forth a people, forgiven, healed,
renewed; that we may proclaim your love to
the world and continue in the risen life of
Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

The blessing of God Almighty, Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier, be with you and with those you love, this day, and for ever more.

People: Amen.

Closing Hymn

O for a Thousand Tongues

Blue Hymnal 493 vs. 1,4,5,6

Join our soloist and sing along at home!

O for a thousand tongues to sing
my dear Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of his grace!

Jesus! The name that charms our fears
And bids our sorrows cease
'tis music in the sinner's ears
'tis life and health and peace

He speaks, and, listening to his voice,
New life the dead receive
The mournful broken hearts rejoice
The humble poor believe

Glory to God and praise and love
be now and ever given
by saints below and saints above,
the Church in earth and heaven.

The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
Alleluia. Alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia

Postlude:

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