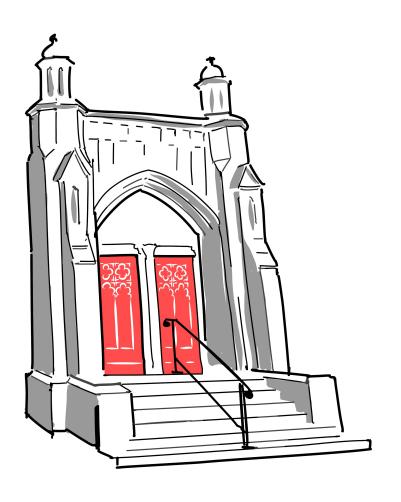


HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; PROPER 25 11:15 AM, OCTOBER 26, 2025 St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral



St. Paul's Cathedral is a vibrant Episcopal church in the heart of downtown Oklahoma City. Deeply rooted in the ministry and teachings of Jesus Christ and the traditions of the Episcopal Church, St. Paul's is the spiritual center of the Diocese of Oklahoma. We are committed to being a place for all who seek and share God's unconditional and abundant love, which calls us to comfort and stand with the vulnerable and each other. All are invited; all are welcome.

Please remain silent prior to the service as a time of prayer and meditation.

VOLUNTARY

INTROIT (sung by the choir)

Vincent Edwards (b. 1968)

God is in this holy temple. Let all the earth keep silence. Let us go forth in peace: In the name of Christ. Amen.

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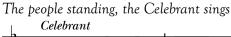
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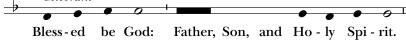


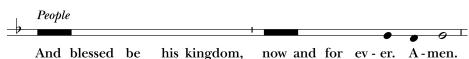
THE WORD OF GOD

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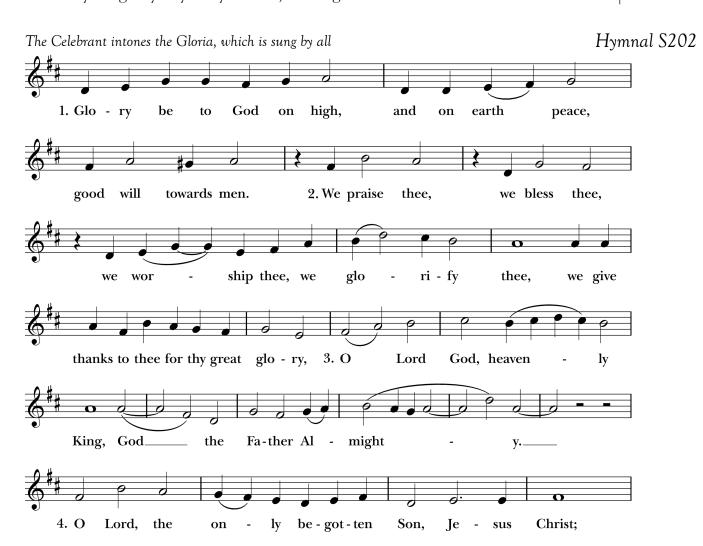






The Celebrant sings

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**





Then is sung

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain that which thou dost promise, make us to love that which thou dost command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People Amen.

THE LESSONS

The people sit.

FIRST READING

Sirach 35:12-17

Lector A Reading from the Book of Sirach.

Give to the Most High as he has given to you, and as generously as you can afford. For the Lord is the one who repays, and he will repay you sevenfold. Do not offer him a bribe, for he will not accept it and do not rely on a dishonest sacrifice; for the Lord is the judge, and with him there is no partiality. He will not show partiality to the poor; but he will listen to the prayer of one who is wronged. He will not ignore the supplication of the orphan, or the widow when she pours out her complaint.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 84:1-6 sung by the choir

- 1 How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts! *
 My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord;
 my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
- 2 The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; * by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
- 3 Happy are they who dwell in your house! * they will always be praising you.
- 4 Happy are the people whose strength is in you! * whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

5 Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs, *

for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.

6 They will climb from height to height, * and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.

SECOND READING

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Lector A Reading from the Second Epistle to Timothy.

I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.



GOSPEL

Luke 18:9-14

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE SERMON

The Very Rev. Katie Churchwell

All standing.

THE NICENE CREED

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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

Deacon or Celebrant

Let us beseech the Lord our God to gather us in prayer, that with one heart and voice we may offer our intercessions, supplications, and thanksgivings.

We are generous with our gifts,

Because we are Rooted in Abundance.

Intercessor

I bid your prayers for the holy Church of God; for all bishops, priests, and deacons; and for all the faithful who worship the Lord in spirit and in truth. We pray for Sean, our Presiding Bishop, Poulson, our Bishop, and Katie, our Dean, for this congregation of St. Paul's Cathedral, [cycle of prayer], and for those discerning holy orders, especially [names]. In this season of stewardship and renewal, may our leadership be inspired by God's abundant grace.

We are generous with our gifts of leadership,

Because we are Rooted in Abundance.

We invite you to pray for all on the Cathedral prayer list, which is found on the announcement insert sheet. Please take a copy with you to pray throughout the week.

I bid your prayers for the rulers of the nations, and for all in authority; for peace throughout the world; for refugees and exiles; and for the just stewardship of the earth and her resources. Remember those who seek justice and those who pursue peace, that all people may flourish and live in dignity.

We are generous with our gifts of peace,

Because we are Rooted in Abundance.

I bid your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Remember especially those on our Cathedral prayer list, including [names], and those whom we name now, either aloud or in the silence of our hearts...

We are generous with our gifts of healing,

Because we are Rooted in Abundance.

I bid your prayers for the departed, that they may rest in peace and rise in glory. We remember [names], and all the faithful departed whom we name now in silence or aloud...

We are generous with our gifts of remembrance,

Because we are Rooted in Abundance.

I bid your thanksgivings to Almighty God for all the blessings of this life. Let us now offer our thanksgivings, either aloud or in the silence of our hearts...

We are generous with our gratitude,

Because we are Rooted in Abundance.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of thy people; in the multitude of thy mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to thee for help; for thou art gracious, O lover of souls, and to thee we give glory: Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, now and for ever.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Amen.

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All stand or kneel. Silence is kept. The Deacon or Celebrant says the following Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Minister and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

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

WELCOME

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Celebrant begins the Offertory

"Happy are they who dwell in your house, O Lord! they will always be praising you. Happy are the people whose strength is in you! whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way."

THE OFFERTORY

Please place your offering in the alms basin, send a text message to 73256 and enter Stpaulsokc\$ and an amount, or scan the QR code to give online.

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Edward Bairstow (1874-1946)

LORD, I call upon thee, haste thee unto me: and consider my voice when I cry unto thee. Let my prayer be set forth in thy sight as the incense: and let the lifting up of my hands be an evening sacrifice.

But mine enemies live, and are mighty: and they that hate me wrongfully are many in number.

They also that reward evil for good are against me: because I follow the thing that good is. Forsake me not, O Lord my God: be not thou far from me.

Haste thee to help me:

I will lay me down in peace, and take my rest: for it is thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.

All stand.



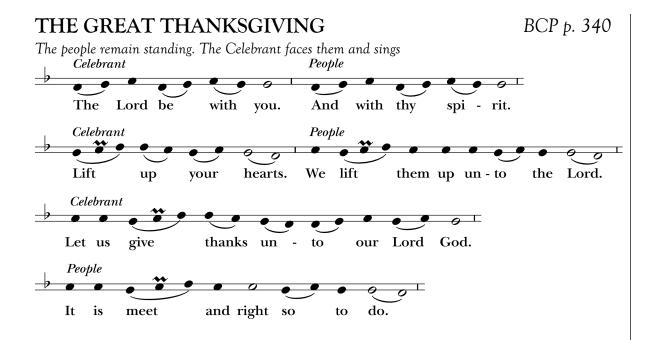
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Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be - low; praise



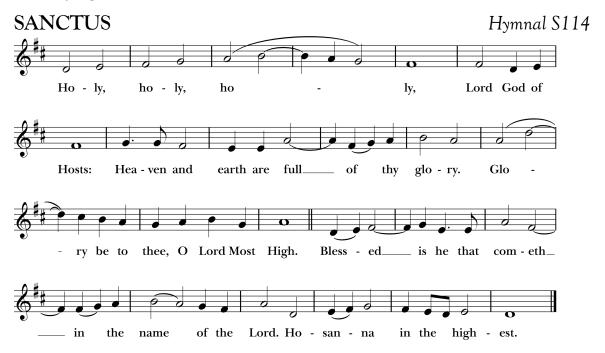
him a-bove ye heaven-ly host: praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men.



Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Who by water and the Holy Spirit hast made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth thy glory in all the world.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,



The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

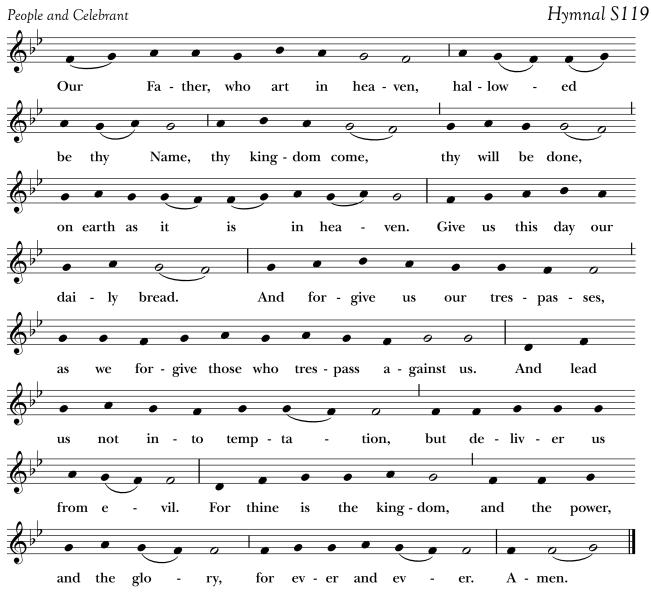
And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

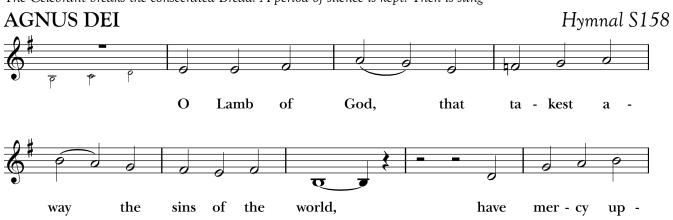


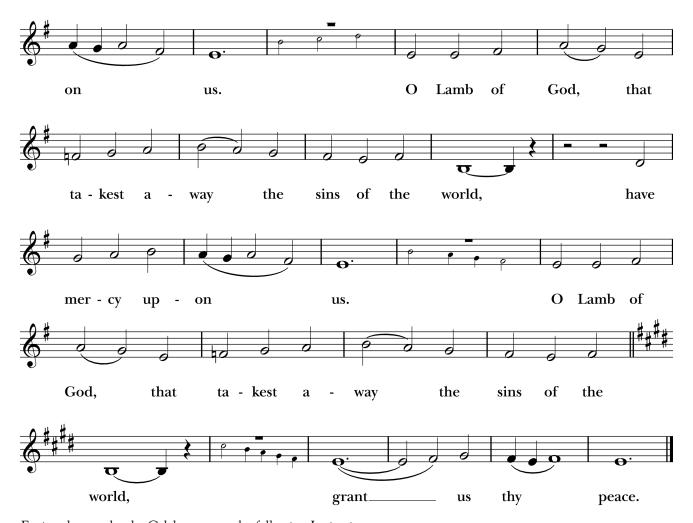
And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,



The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then is sung





Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.



SENDING OUT OF LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

The Deacon or the Celebrant says

We send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup. Amen.

After Communion, the Celebrant says Let us pray.

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Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Celebrant blesses the people.

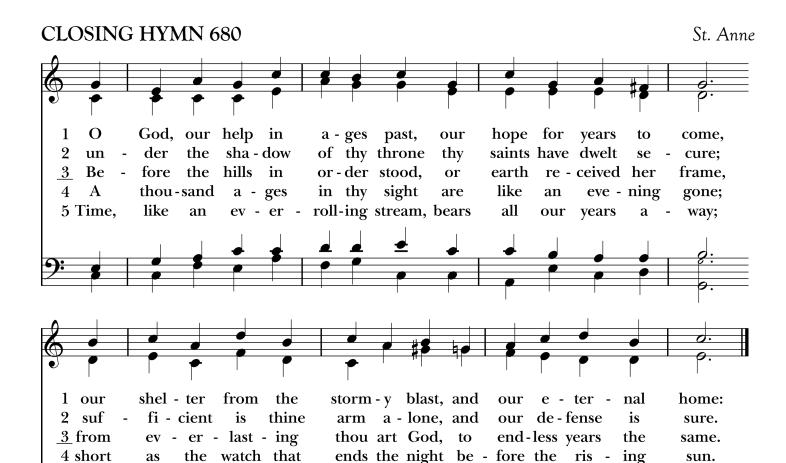
The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always.

Amen.

The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses the people with these words Let us go forth in the name of Christ, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God.

The Eucharistic candles on the altar symbolize that Christ is the light of the world. Remain silent. prayerful, and fully engaged in the reverence of worship until the Eucharistic candles have been extinguished.



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> The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Kurt Bielstein. The bread and wine are given to the glory of God by Malcolm May in loving memory of Kathy May.

Those serving today:

Celebrant

The Rev. Canon Tim Sean Youmans

Preacher

The Very Rev. Katie Churchwell

Deacon

The Rev. Tracy Anderson

Canon Precentor and Director of Music

Joseph Ripka

Choir

The Cathedral Schola Cantorum

Assistant Organist

Richard Jobe

Verger

Jesse Chesnut

Lectors

Sally Alworth, Diana Hampton

Lay Eucharistic Ministers

Betsy Banks, Debbie Butcher,

Jennifer England-Burnside

Intercessor

Betsy Banks

Acolytes

John Koons, Kelsey Russell,

Sam Gonzales, Crawford Churchwell

Oblationer

Jason Brown

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Kevin McDonald,

Amanda Marcott-Thottunkal

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Chad Stanford, Taylor Tribble

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