

The Episcopal Parish of Saint Paul

Newton Highlands, Massachusetts

Second Sunday after The Epiphany

Holy Eucharist

January 18, 2026 at 10:00am



From wherever you have come, with whatever you bring, you are welcome here.

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY (YEAR A)

Holy Eucharist with Joyful Noise

Prelude

Musicians

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Gathering Rites / *Book of Common Prayer* p. 355

Gathering Hymn

Please rise as you are comfortable.

HYMNAL 1982, #488 – Be Thou My Vision

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O God of my heart;
2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
3 High God of hea - ven, when vic - tory is won,
all else be nought to me, save that thou art—
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, God;
may I reach hea - ven's joys, bright hea - ven's Sun!
thou my best thought,— by day or by night,
thou my Cre - a - tor; thine own may I be;
Heart of my heart, — what - ev - er be - fall,
wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
thou in me dwell - ing, and I one with thee.
still be my vis - ion, O Ru - ler of all.

Section: Jesus Christ our Lord Title: Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart Meter: 10 10. 9 10 Words: Irish, ca. 700; versified Mary Elizabeth Byrne (1880-1931); tr. Eleanor H. Hull (1860-1935), alt. Music: *Slane*, Irish ballad melody; adapt. *The Church Hymnary*, 1927; harm. David Evans (1874-1948) Copyright: Music: By permission of Oxford University Press.

Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People Glory to God for ever and ever.

The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Gloria

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1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to God's peo - ple on earth. 2. O God, Ma - jes -
ty, al - might - y God, Cre - a - tor, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. O Je -sus
Christ, on - ly Child of the Au - thor, O God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy

on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Au - thor; re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
 you a - lone are our God, 7. you a - lone are the Most
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
 glo - ry of God Cre - a - tor. A - men.

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Collect of the Day

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Beloved Child our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that Christ may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

Please be seated

The First Reading

Isaiah 49:1-7

Listen to me, O coastlands,
pay attention, you peoples from far away!

The Most High called me before I was born,
while I was in my mother's womb God named me.

The Holy One made my mouth like a sharp sword,
hiding me in the shadow of God's own hands;

God made me a polished arrow,
in God's quiver and hid me away.

And the Holy One said to me, "You are my servant,
Israel, in whom I will be glorified."

But I said, "I have labored in vain,
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;

yet surely my cause is with the Most High,
and my reward with my God."

And now the Holy One says,
who formed me in the womb to be God's servant,

to bring Jacob back to God,
and that Israel might be gathered to God,

for I am honored in the sight of the Most High,
and my God has become my strength—

God says,

“It is too light a thing that you should be my servant
to raise up the tribes of Jacob
and to restore the survivors of Israel;

I will give you as a light to the nations,
that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.”

Thus says our God,
the Redeemer of Israel and the Holy One,
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations,
the slave of rulers,

“Rulers shall see and stand up,
sovereigns, and they shall prostrate themselves,
because of the Most High, who is faithful,
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

Psalm 40:1-12

We will pray the psalm responsively by whole verse

I waited patiently for you, O God;
you stooped to me and heard my cry.

**You lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire and clay;
you set my feet upon a high cliff and made my footing
sure.**

You put a new song in my mouth,
a song of praise to our God;
many shall see, and stand in awe,
and put their trust in you.

**Happy are they who trust in you;
they do not resort to evil spirits or turn to false gods.**

Great things are they that you have done, O God,
how great your wonders and your plans for us;
there is none who can be compared with you.

**Oh, that I could make them known and tell them,
but they are more than I can count.**

In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure
(you have given me ears to hear you);

**Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required,
and so I said, “Behold, I come.**

In the roll of the book it is written concerning me:
‘I love to do your will, O my God;
your law is deep in my heart.’ ”

**I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation;
behold, I did not restrain my lips,
and that, O God, you know.**

Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart;
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance;
I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the great
congregation.

**You are the Holy One;
do not withhold your compassion from me;
let your love and your faithfulness keep me safe for ever.**

This week's Psalm is from the St. Helena Psalter

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,

To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Savior Jesus Christ, both their Savior and ours:

Grace to you and peace from God our Creator and the Savior Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in Christ, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Savior Jesus Christ. God will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Savior Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by God you were called into the fellowship of God's Beloved Child, Jesus Christ our Savior.

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn

Please rise as you are comfortable.

HYMNAL 1982, #549 – Jesus Calls Us O’er the Tumult



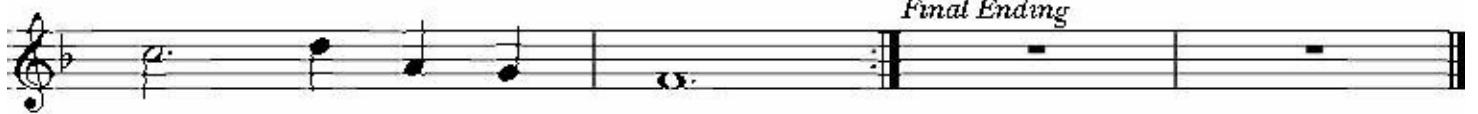
1 Je - sus calls us; o'er the tu - mult of our
2 as, of old, Saint An - drew heard it by the
3 Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship of the
4 In our joys and in our sor - rows, days of
5 Je - sus calls us! By thy mer - cies, Sa - vior,



1 life's wild, rest - less sea, day by day Christ's clear voice
2 Gal - i - le - an lake, turned from home and toil and
3 vain world's gold - en store; from each i - dol that would
4 toil and hours of ease, still Christ calls, in cares and
5 make us hear thy call, give our hearts to thine o -



1 sound - eth, say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low me;" say - ing,
2 kin - dred, leav - ing all for Je - sus' sake. leav - ing
3 keep us, say - ing, "Chris - tian, love me more." say - ing,
4 plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love me more than these." "Chris - tian,
5 be - dience, serve and love thee best of all. serve and



1 "Chris - tian, fol - low me;"
2 all for Je - sus' sake.
3 "Chris - tian, love me more."
4 love me more than these."
5 love thee best of all.

Section: Christian Vocation and Pilgrimage Title: Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult Meter: 87. 877 Words: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895), alt. Music: *St. Andrew*, David Hurd (b. 1950) Copyright: Music: © 1983, G.I.A. Publications

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

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

John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is the one of whom I said, ‘After me comes a person who ranks ahead of me because that person was before me.’ I myself did not know them; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that they might be revealed to Israel.” And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on Jesus. I myself did not know Jesus, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘The One on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Child of God.”

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, Jesus said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to Jesus, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” Jesus said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where Jesus was staying, and they remained with Jesus that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

Presider The Gospel of our Savior.

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

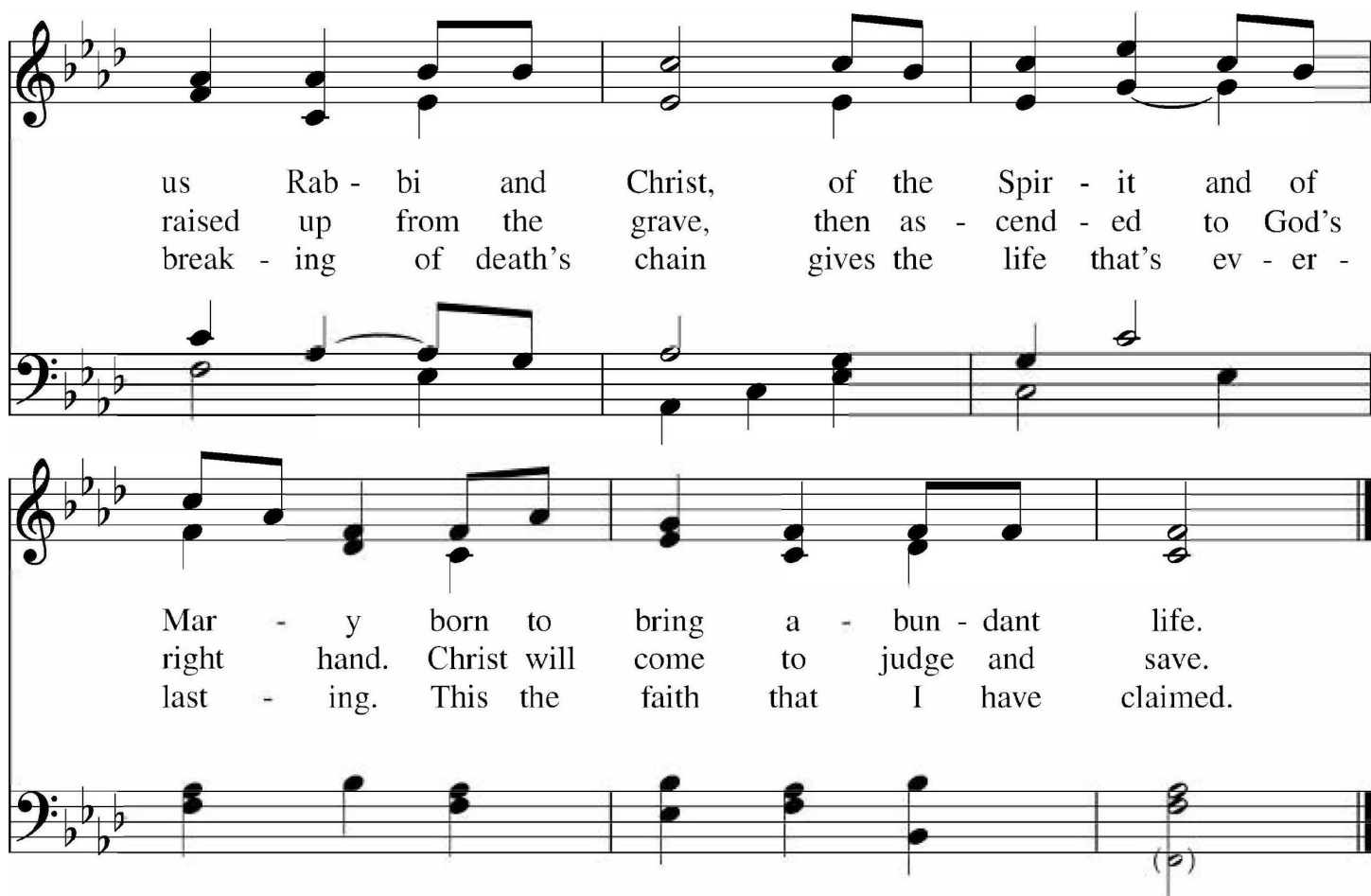
The Nicene Creed

The Nicene Creed is the historic statement of faith of the Church. It helps to knit the Church together across peoples and places, time and space. We pray it together as a single body, a member of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

1. I be - lieve in God al - might - y, Au - thor of all things that
 2. I be - lieve that Je - sus suf - fered, scourged and scorned and cru - ci -
 3. I be - lieve in God's own Spir - it, bond - ing all the saints with-

be, Mak - er of the earth and heav - ens, Keep - er of the sky and
 fied; tak - en from the cross, was bur - ied— True Life there had tru - ly
 in One church, cath - o - lic and ho - ly, where for - give - ness frees from

sea. I be - lieve in God's Child, Je - sus, now for
 died. I be - lieve that on the third day Christ was
 sin; in the bod - y's res - ur - rec - tion, for the



us Rab - bi and Christ, of the Spir - it and of
raised up from the grave, then as - cend - ed to God's
break - ing of death's chain gives the life that's ev - er -

Mar - y born to bring a - bun - dant life.
right hand. Christ will come to judge and save.
last - ing. This the faith that I have claimed.

Words: Sylvia G. Dunstan (1955-1993). Music: Domhnach Trionoide, Gaelic melody; harm. Richard Proulx (b. 1937).

Prayers of the People

Intercessor Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Loving God, that all who praise your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. We pray for the worldwide Anglican Communion, for the Episcopal Church, for our presiding bishop, Sean, and our diocesan bishop, Julia. We pray for all ministers – lay and ordained – and we pray for our own Parish of St. Paul; St. John's Church, Charlestown (Boston); Emmanuel Church, Boston; St. Augustine's & St. Martin's Church, Boston; and for the Greater Boston Interfaith Organization. Either in silence or aloud, for whom else in the Church do we pray today? *(You are invited to add your own prayers.)*

Silence

God, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace, that we may honor one another and serve the common good. Either in silence or aloud, for which peoples and leaders of the world do we pray today? *(You are invited to add your own prayers.)*

Silence

God, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. Either in silence or aloud, for what in God's creation do we pray today? *(You are invited to add your own prayers.)*

Silence

God, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as Christ loves us. Either in silence or aloud, for whom and what do we give thanks in our lives today? *(You are invited to add your own thanksgivings.)*

Silence

God, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; all those who suffer from addiction or depression; all those who live in and with fear; and all those who may need encouragement and uplift. Give them courage and hope, and bring them the joy of your peace and salvation. We pray especially for Bernice Cramer and her family; Gabriel and his family; Phil; Julia; Ryan; Nancy Williamson; Jim Nolan; David Murphy; David Tabors; Kristin; Deb; Tom; Sean and Jack; and for the peoples and ministries of the Global Village Children's Project, the Centre Street Food Pantry, AA, and NewCity Church. Either in silence or aloud, for whom else do we pray today? (*You are invited to add your own prayers.*)

Silence

God, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Either in silence or aloud, whom do we remember today by name? (*You are invited to offer names.*)

Silence

God, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Prayer for the Social Order (*BCP* p. 824)

Intercessor Together let us pray.

All O God, you have bound us together in a common life.
Help us, in the midst of our struggles for justice and truth, to confront one another without hatred or

bitterness, and to work together with mutual forbearance and respect; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Silence

Presider offers a collect

Confession of Sin and Absolution

Presider Let us confess our sins against God, our neighbor, and ourselves.

Silence

All O God, we bring you our failure, our hunger, our disappointment, our despair, our greed, our arrogance, and our fear. We have not loved you with our whole hearts. We have not truly loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are sorry, we are humbled, and we pray that you will strengthen us with your grace. We turn to you, O God. We renounce evil, we claim love, we choose to be made whole. Forgive us and renew us now.

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

"Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light" (*Mt. 11:28-30*).

The Peace

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

The congregation is invited to exchange signs of peace.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Anthem

Choir

Tu Es Petrus

*Tu es petrus, the rock,
and on this rock I will build my Church.*

Text: John 1:42

Music: Andrew Wells

The Doxology – *Old Hundredth*

Please rise as you are comfortable.

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God all creatures here below
Praise God above all life and death
Creator, Christ, and Holy Breath. Amen.*

Eucharistic Prayer B

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to God.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Holy One our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth.

Presider offers a Preface.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Presider and People

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly One, God of power and

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly One,

God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless'd is the One who comes

in the name of our God Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Section: The Holy Eucharist Title: The Holy Eucharist II, Holy, holy, holy Lord: *Sanctus* Music: From *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937) Copyright: Copyright © 1985 GIA Publications, Inc.

Please rise, sit, or kneel as you are comfortable.

The Presider continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before Jesus 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 disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper 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 of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

Presider and People

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

The Presider continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and the Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are all acceptable to you, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [_____and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.
AMEN.

The Lord's Prayer

You are invited to say whichever version of the Lord's Prayer moves you.

Presider

As our savior Christ has taught us, we now pray

**Our Loving God in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kindom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kindom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

Section: The Holy Eucharist Title: The Holy Eucharist, Fraction Anthem: Jesus, Lamb of God: *Agnus Dei* Music: From *Deutsche Messe*; Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937) Copyright: Adaptation: Copyright © 1985 GIA Publications, Inc.

Presider

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion

Jesus says, "Come and see."

You are welcome at this Table, exactly as you are, because of who you are. If you feel called to the Table, please come forward to receive Communion.

Gluten-free communion bread is available. Please let the priest know when you come for communion.

If you do not wish to receive the consecrated wine, please know that receiving the consecrated bread alone constitutes a full Communion.

If you do not desire Communion, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing – please cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you desire a blessing.

Prayer of Spiritual Communion

(The following prayer of Spiritual Communion is said privately and is intended for individuals participating remotely, and for individuals who may not wish to receive Communion or a blessing.)

In union, O God, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. And since I cannot receive you today in the sacrament of bread and wine, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

Postcommunion Hymn

You are invited to stand, sit, or kneel as you are comfortable.

O God, You Search Me And You Know Me

(♩ = ca. 60)

Melody

D G/D D A/D D A D D/C# G/B

1. O God, you search me and you know me. All my
 2. You know my rest - ing and my ris - ing. You dis -
 3. Be - fore a word is on my tongue, God, You have
 4. Al - though your Spir - it is up - on me, Still I
 5. For you cre - at - ed me and shaped me, Gave me

Keyboard

Dadd9/F# G Bm Asus4 A [A] Bm Bm/A G A/G

1. thoughts lie o - pen to your gaze. When I walk or lie down you are be -
 2. cern my pur - pose from a - far, And with love ev - er - last - ing you be -
 3. known its mean - ing through and through. You are with me be - yond my un - der -
 4. search for shel - ter from your light. There is no - where on earth I can es -
 5. life with - in my moth - er's womb. For the won - der of who I am, I

F#m Bm Bm/A Gmaj7 3 Em7 D/F# G A D

1. fore me: Ev - er the mak - er and keep - er of my days.
 2. siege me: In ev - 'ry mo - ment of life or death, you are.
 3. stand - ing: God of my pres - ent, my past and fu - ture, too.
 4. cape you: E - ven the dark - ness is ra - diant in your sight.
 5. praise you: Safe in your hands, all cre - a - tion is made new.

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Postcommunion Prayer

You are invited to stand as you are comfortable.

People and Presider

Eternal God,

**you have graciously accepted us as living members
of our Savior Jesus Christ,**

**whose love is the source of all life and the desire of our lives,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.**

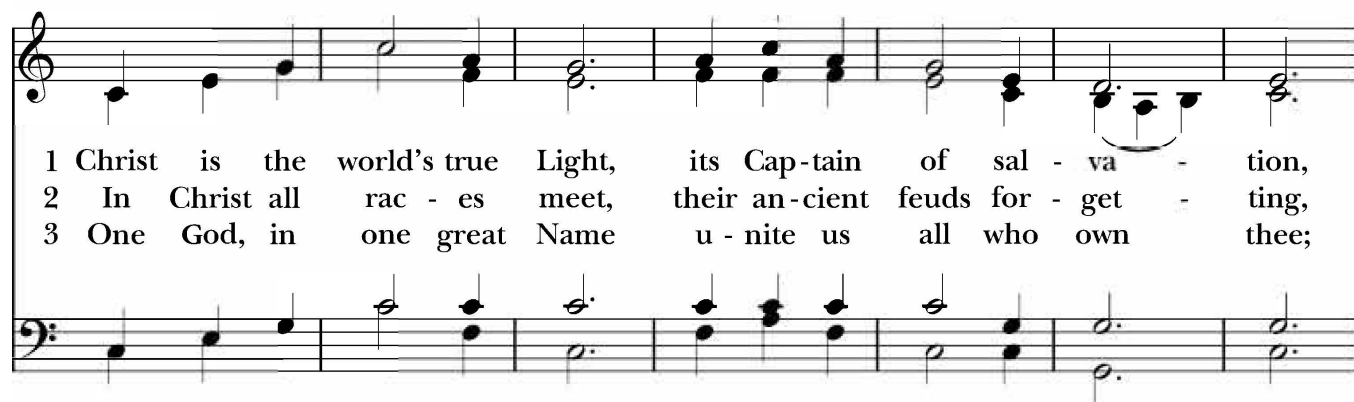
**Send us now into the world in peace,
in the promise of Christ's love, which defeats evil and death,
and grant us strength and courage,
in face of fear and doubt,
through the power of the Holy Spirit,
to be the church, a community of flawed and forgiving disciples,
to love and serve you,
to seek justice and to live in peace,
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Savior. Amen.**

The Postcommunion Prayer is an adaptation from the Holy Eucharist: Rite Two (Expansive Edition) and the Statement of Faith from the Iona Abbey Worship Book (2001).

Blessing

Processional Hymn

HYMNAL 1982, #542 – Christ Is the World's True Light



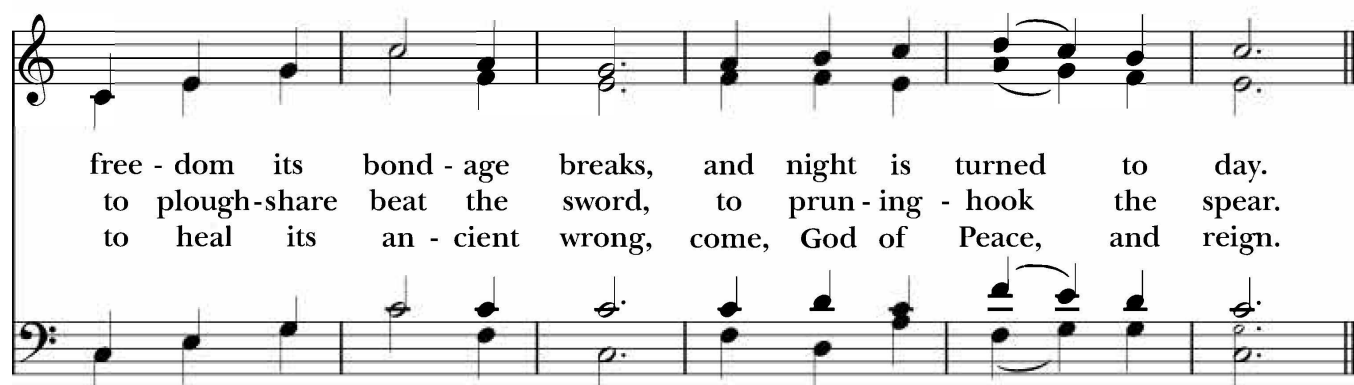
1 Christ is the world's true Light, its Cap-tain of sal - va - tion,
2 In Christ all rac - es meet, their an-cient feuds for - get - ting,
3 One God, in one great Name u - nite us all who own thee;



the Day - star clear and bright of ev - ery race and na - tion;
the whole round world com - plete, from sun-rise to its set - ting;
cast out our pride and shame that hin-der to en - throne thee;



new life, new hope a - wakes, for all who own Christ's sway:
when Christ is throned as God all shall for - sake their fear,
the world has wait - ed long, has tra - vailed long in pain;



free - dom its bond - age breaks, and night is turned to day.
to plough-share beat the sword, to prun - ing - hook the spear.
to heal its an - cient wrong, come, God of Peace, and reign.

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Announcements

Dismissal

You are invited to stand as you are comfortable.

Presider Our worship has ended, let our service begin. Go in peace to love and serve God, God's people, and God's world.

People **Thanks be to God.**



TODAY'S LITURGY

Participants

The Rev. Dr. Meghan T. Sweeney – Priest-In-Charge

David Montgomery – Lector of First Reading and Leader of Psalm

Chris Gruener – Lector of Second Reading

Carter Lustig – Acolyte

Tricia Tyler – Lay Eucharistic Minister and Intercessor

Brenda Carter – Pianist

Amy Trueblood and Ellie Pandorf– Altar Guild

Eliza Blay – Usher

Lee Hatfield and Kim Koger – Counters

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PRAYERS

In Our Diocesan Cycle Of Prayer:

For the Episcopal Church; for Sean Rowe, our Presiding Bishop, and Julia Whitworth, our Diocesan Bishop; all ministers – lay and ordained – and we pray for our own Parish of St Paul; St. John's Church, Charlestown (Boston); Emmanuel Church, Boston; St. Augustine's & St. Martin's Church, Boston; and for the Greater Boston Interfaith Organization.

Parish Prayer List – Prayers are Requested for:

Bernice Cramer and her family; Gabriel and his family; Phil; Julia; Ryan; Nancy Williamson; Jim Nolan; David Murphy; David Tabors; Kristin; Deb; Tom; Sean and Jack; and for the Global Village Children's Project, the Centre Street Food Pantry, AA, and NewCity Church.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

What's Happening at the Parish of St. Paul - Save the Dates!

- Sunday, January 25: Parish Annual Meeting immediately following 10am Holy Eucharist
- Friday, February 7: Pizza and Compline at 7pm
- Monday, February 2: Candlemas Celebration at 6pm at All Saints, Brookline

Sunday, January 25 - Parish Annual Meeting

We gather together for our Annual Meeting of the parish, immediately following the conclusion of our 10am Holy Eucharist. **Annual Meeting booklets** were sent out electronically in this week's parish newsletter, and hard copies are available on the table to the entrance of the sanctuary. We will have an **enhanced coffee hour** on this day -- please bring easy-to-eat finger foods as we will likely be meeting and feasting in the sanctuary.

Pizza and Compline - Friday, February 6 at 7pm

Grounded in the night prayers said before bed at the end of the monastic round of daily prayer (the liturgy of the hours), Compline is a simple evening service of readings and prayers. We will gather at 7pm for pizza, followed by Compline at 7:30pm. If you can, please RSVP (using the QR code or telling Rev. Meghan) by Thursday, February 5 so we have a sense of how much food to order.



Monday, February 2 at 6pm - Supper and Liturgy for Candlemas

Join with parishes of the Charles River Deanery on Monday, February 2 at **All Saints Parish, Brookline (1773 Beacon Street)** for 6pm supper and candle decorating followed by a 7pm liturgy for Candlemas.

Morning Prayer on Thursdays at Grace Church, Newton Corner

Grace Church, Newton Corner offers Morning Prayer on Thursday mornings at 8am in the chapel. POSP parishioners are invited to attend.

Prayer List

If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, please email Lise in the parish office or use this QR code.



Altar Flowers

If you would like to contribute altar flowers for a thanksgiving or memorial, please be in contact with Lise in the parish office.

Pastoral Care

If you desire pastoral care for a particular need, please be in contact with Rev. Meghan. It could be as simple as a private prayer request emailed to her, or an in-person conversation about something of concern. Rev. Meghan or our pastoral care intern, Jason von Ehrenkrook, are available to meet with you.

Can Redemption Volunteers

Volunteers sought to assist with can redemption for the Plenty ministry. Please connect with Christopher Gruener or speak with Rev. Meghan if you can assist.

Receive the Parish Newsletter!

The newsletter is sent about once per week (occasionally more often if there is a pressing notice, for example, of snow cancellation, etc.). **The newsletter contains reflections from parishioners and *lots* of information and announcements about our diocese, the greater church, and other goings-on in and around town and in the world, that are not printed in this bulletin.**

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Episcopal Leadership

The Rt. Rev. Julia E. Whitworth – Bishop Diocesan, The Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts (diomass.org)

The Most Rev. Sean Rowe – Presiding Bishop, The Episcopal Church (episcopalchurch.org)

Staff and Office Hours at the Parish of St. Paul

Priest-in-Charge: The Rev. Dr. Meghan T. Sweeney – meghan@parishofstpaul.org. Office Hours: In-Person, usually on Wednesday, 9am -1pm and by appointment (please email Rev. Meghan directly if you would like to make an appointment).

Parish Administrator: Lise Brody – office@parishofstpaul.org. Office Hours (may vary): Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9am-1pm

Vestry at the Parish of St. Paul

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please feel free to be in touch with your vestry. The next Vestry Meeting is on February 18.

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Elected Parish Leaders at St. Paul's

Delegates to the Charles River Deanery: David Montgomery and Mary Lou Pierron

Delegates to the Diocesan Convention: Jack Blay and Mary Lou Pierron; alternate Kim Koger

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