

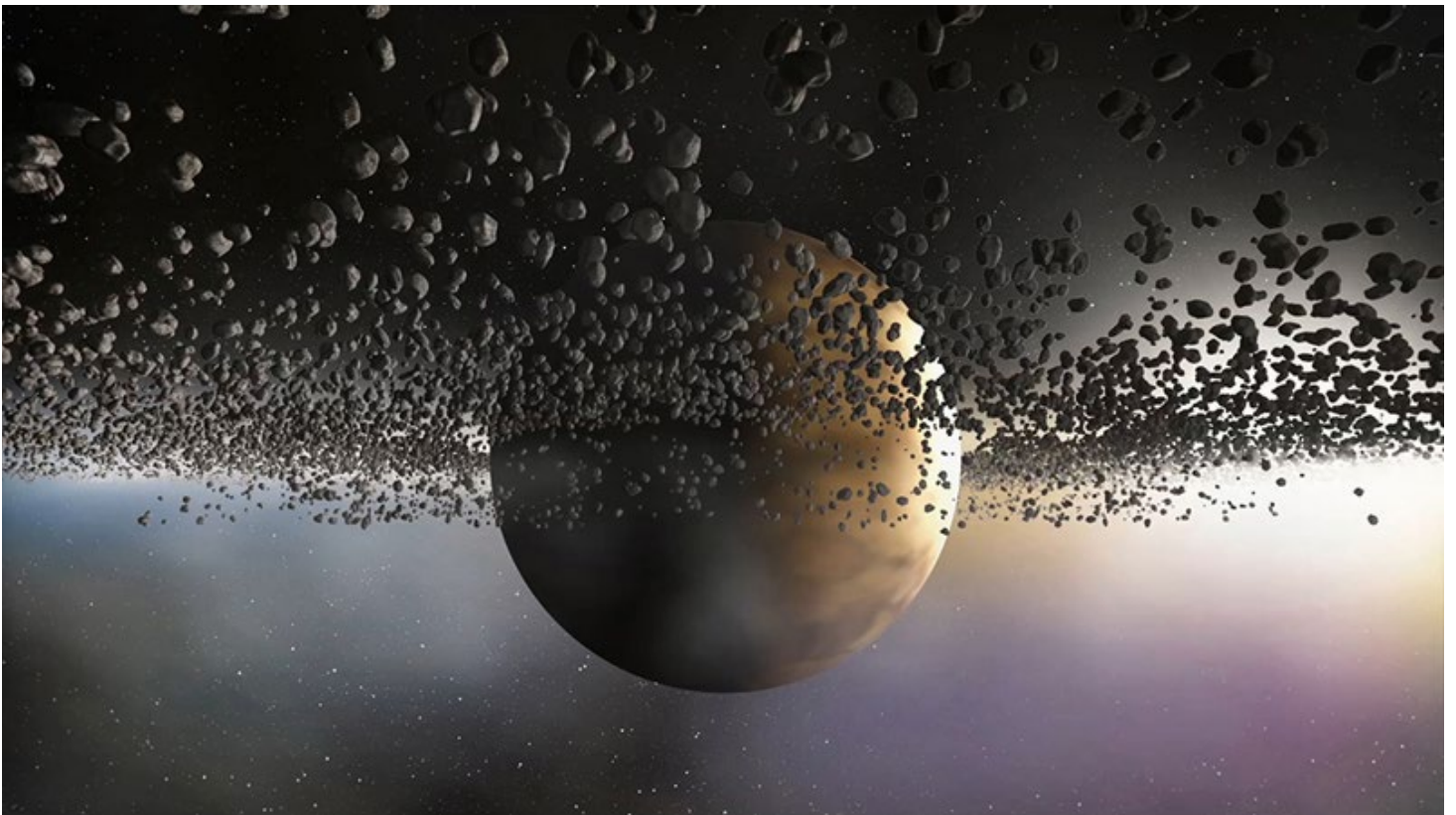
# The Episcopal Parish of Saint Paul

Newton Highlands, Massachusetts

## First Sunday After Pentecost Trinity Sunday

Holy Eucharist

May 31, 2026 at 10:00am



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

# FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (TRINITY SUNDAY)(YEAR A) Holy Eucharist with Joyful Noise

Prelude

*Musicians*

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

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

### Gathering Hymn

*Please rise as you are comfortable.*

*The Hymnal 1982* #362 – Holy, Holy, Holy!

♩ = 125

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in the key of D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. The tempo is marked as quarter note = 125. The score consists of two systems of music. The first system includes four vocal parts and piano accompaniment. The lyrics for the first system are: 1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! O — God Al - might - y!; \*2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee; 3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee; 4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! O — God Al - might - y!. The second system also includes four vocal parts and piano accompaniment. The lyrics for the second system are: Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee; cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea; though the sin - ful hu - man eye thy glo - ry may not see; All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea;.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,  
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,  
on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.  
which wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.  
per - fect in power, in love, and pu - ri - ty.  
God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

Section: The Holy Trinity Title: Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty Meter: 11 12. 12 10 Words: Reginald Heber (1783-1826), alt. Music: *Nicaea*, John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)

## Opening Acclamation

*Presider* Blessed be the Holy and Undivided Trinity One God.

*People* And blessed be God's kindom, now and for ever. Amen.

## 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.

♩ = 125

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 and Au-thor, 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 the Au-thor. A-men.

## Collect of the Day

*Presider* God be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Most High; who with the Beloved One and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**

## THE WORD OF GOD

*Please be seated*

The First Reading

*Genesis 1:1-2,4a*

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness God called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

And God said, "Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. God called

the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together God called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, “Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.” And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

And God said, “Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

And God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.” So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.” And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, “Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.”

So God created humankind in the divine image,  
in the image of God God created them;  
male and female God created them.

God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.” God said, “See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. God saw everything that God had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that God had done, and God rested on the seventh day from all the work that God had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that God had done in creation.

These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

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

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

# The Psalm

*Psalm 8*

*We will pray the psalm responsively by whole verse.*

O God our Governor,  
how exalted is your Name in all the world!

**Out of the mouths of infants and children,  
your majesty is praised above the heavens.**

You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries,  
to quell the enemy and the avenger.

**When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,  
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,**

What are we that you should be mindful of us,  
mere mortals that you should seek us out?

**You have made us but little lower than the angels;  
you adorn us with glory and honor;**

You give us mastery over the works of your hands;  
you put all things under our feet:

**All sheep and oxen,  
even the wild beasts of the field,**

The birds of the air, the fish of the sea,  
and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.

*All:* **O God, our Governor,  
how exalted is your Name in all the world!**

*This week's Psalm is from the St. Helena Psalter, used by permission.*

## The Second Reading

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Finally, brothers and sisters, siblings, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

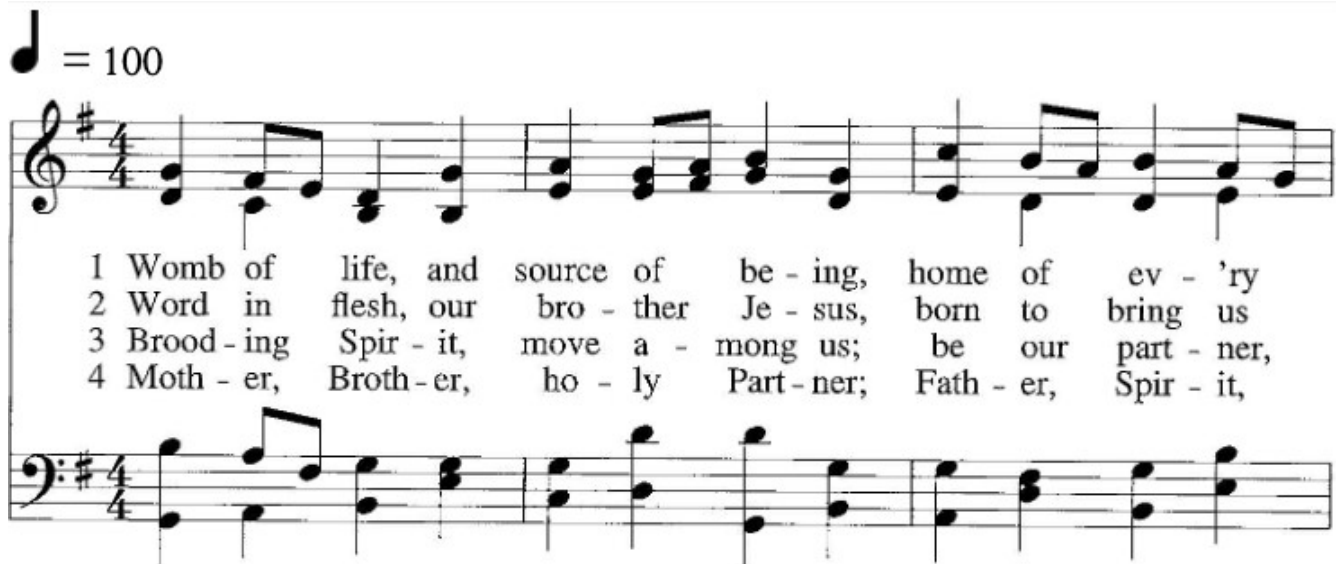
The grace of our Savior Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

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

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## Sequence Hymn

### Womb of Life and Source of Being



♩ = 100

1 Womb of life, and source of be - ing, home of ev - 'ry  
2 Word in flesh, our bro - ther Je - sus, born to bring us  
3 Brood - ing Spir - it, move a - mong us; be our part - ner,  
4 Moth - er, Broth - er, ho - ly Part - ner; Fath - er, Spir - it,

rest - less heart, in your arms the worlds a - wak - ened; you have  
 sec - ond birth, you have come to stand be - side us, know - ing  
 be our friend. When our mem - 'ry fails, re - mind us whose we  
 On - ly Son: we would praise your name for - ev - er, one - in -

loved us from the start. We, your chil - dren, gath - er  
 weak - ness, know - ing earth. Priest who shares our hu - man  
 are, what we in - tend. La - bor with us, aid the  
 three, and three - in - one. We would share your life, your

'round you, at the ta - ble you pre - pare. Shar - ing sto - ries,  
 strug - gles, Life of Life, and Death of Death, ris - en Christ, come  
 birth - ing of the new world yet to be, free of ser - vant,  
 pas - sion, share your word of world made new, ev - er sing - ing,

tears, and laugh - ter, we are nur - tured by your care.  
 stand a - mong us, send the Spir - it by your breath.  
 lord, and mas - ter, free for love and u - ni - ty.  
 ev - er prais - ing, one with all, and one with you.

Words: Ruth Duck (b. 1947); Music: In Nanilone, Julius Roentgen (1855-1933)

# The Gospel

*Matthew 28:16-20*

*Priest* The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw Jesus, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Creator and of the Word and Wisdom, and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

*Priest* The Gospel of Christ

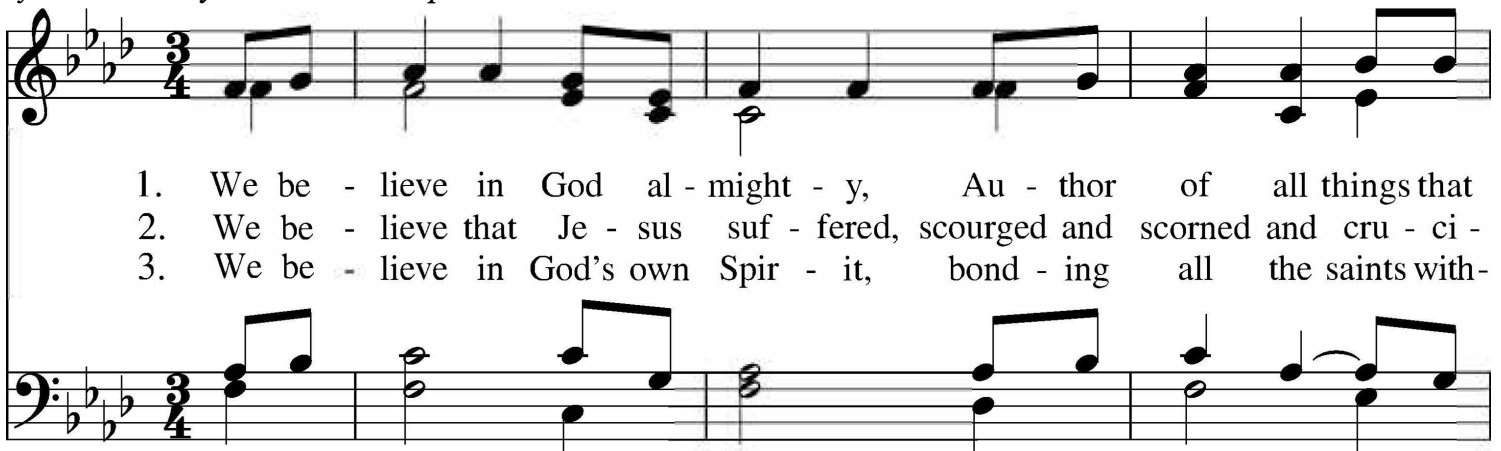
*People* **Praise to you, O Christ.**

# Sermon

*Priest-in-Charge*

# 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. We be - lieve in God al - might - y, Au - thor of all things that  
2. We be - lieve that Je - sus suf - fered, scourged and scorned and cru - ci -  
3. We 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. We be - lieve in God's Child, Je - sus, now for  
 died. We 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 we 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 to God, through Jesus, in the unity of the Holy Spirit.

Almighty and everlasting God, holy and undivided Trinity, grant that with one voice we may confess you as the creator, redeemer, and sustainer of all. In communion with your whole Christian Church throughout the world, maintain our faith in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace. We pray especially for the Episcopal Church; for Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Julia, our Diocesan Bishop, and Ian and Mary, our Assisting Bishops; all ministers, lay and ordained; and we pray for our own Parish of St Paul; St. Mark's Chapel, St. Mark's School, Southborough; St. Elizabeth's Church, Sudbury; St. Peter's Church, Weston; The Ministry of the Diocesan Altar Guild and all Altar Guilds; and for the Diocesan Budget Committee. Either in silence or aloud, for whom else in the church universal do we pray today? (*You are invited to offer your own prayers.*) May we be one, **as you are one.**

We pray for our world, that all creatures under heaven may reflect God's glory. Pour out the abundance of your blessing on this earth that you have made and keep the whole human family faithful in stewarding all that you have entrusted to our care. We pray especially for all people and bodies in positions of leadership, that they may exercise proper dominion of what God has entrusted to them. Either in silence or aloud, for whom in leadership do we pray today? (*You are invited to offer your own prayers.*) May we be one, **as you are one.**

We pray for God's abiding love in the lives of the sick and the suffering. Look with mercy on all those in need. We pray especially for Mary Lou Montgomery, David Montgomery, and their whole family; Will; Alicia; Jeneffer; John; 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. Either in silence or aloud, for whom else do we pray today? (*You are invited to offer your own prayers.*) May we be one, **as you are one.**

We pray that all who have died may be gathered into the intimacy of God's perfect communion, and be one with all the saints in heaven. We pray especially for Charles Montgomery. Rest eternal grant unto them, O God; and let light perpetual shine upon them. May they rest in peace and rise in glory. And we pray that all who are making their final journey through death be surrounded by your love and welcomed into paradise. Either in silence or aloud, for whom do we pray today? (*You are invited to offer your own prayers.*) May we be one, **as you are one.**

Holy God, we thank you for creating us in your image. And we thank you for the many blessings of our lives. We pray in thanksgiving for Tricia Tyler and Don Yurt, who are celebrating their anniversary this week. For whom and what do we give thanks in our lives today? (*You are invited to offer your own prayers.*) May we be one, **as you are one.**

Prayer for the Social Order (*BCP* p. 823)

*Intercessor* Together let us pray.

*All* **Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart, and especially the hearts of the people of this land, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; 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 neighbors, and ourselves

*Together*

**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 presider offers absolution, and the people respond Amen.*

## 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*

Ubi Caritas

*Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.  
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.  
Exsultemus et in ipso, jucundemur.  
Timeamus et amemus Deum vivum.  
Et ex corde diligamus sincero. Sincero.  
Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est. Amen*

Lyrics: att. Paulinus of Aquileia (c. 726 - c. 802))

Music: Maurice Duruflé (1902 - 1986)

## *Translation*

Where there is charity and love, God is there.  
The love of Christ has gathered us together into one.  
Let us rejoice and be glad in God.  
Let us fear and love the living God.  
And let us love from a sincere heart. Sincere.  
Where there is charity and love, God is there. Amen.

## 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.*

*You are invited to rise or sit as you feel comfortable.*

## The Great Thanksgiving – Eucharistic Prayer B

*Presider* God be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them up to God.**

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

*People* **It is right to give God 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.

In the beginning your Spirit brooded over the chaos and brought to birth all the beauty and abundance of creation. You created humankind in the image of your own faithful love and desire, dressing us in glorious splendor and entrusting the care of the earth into our hands.

From our midst you brought forth your own child, Jesus the Christ — one with you, and the embodiment of your Spirit — and through him you invited all people to be baptized into your triune dance of love. When he was killed, you raised him to life and gave him all authority in heaven and on earth, and in him, through the Holy Spirit, you are with us always, even to the end of the age.

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:

*Sanctus*

*The Hymnal 1982, #S128*

Ho - ly, ho - ly,  
ho - ly One, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the  
high - est. Bless - ed is the Christ who  
comes in the name of our God. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

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*You are invited to rise, sit, or kneel as you feel 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, he 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 is 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 whatever version of the Lord's Prayer is meaningful for you today*

*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.**

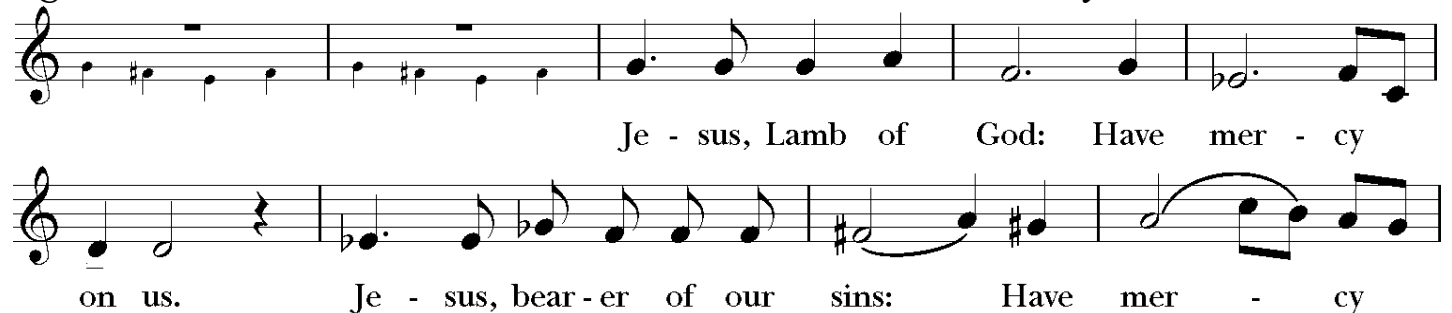
# The Breaking of the Bread

*Presider* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

*Agnus Dei*

*The Hymnal 1982 #S165*



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 of the world: Give us your peace.

Section: The Holy Eucharist Title: The Holy Eucharist, Fraction Anthem: Jesus, Lamb of God: *Agnus Dei* Music: William Mathias (1934-1992) Copyright: Copyright © 1976 Oxford University Press.

### *Presider*

These are the Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ lived and loved, died, and rose for you, and feed on Christ in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

### 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.*

## *The Hymnal 1982, #743 – O Threefold God of Tender Unity*

♩ = 100

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It features a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The piano part consists of a right-hand melody and a left-hand bass line. The lyrics are arranged in two systems, with the vocal line and piano accompaniment corresponding to each line of text.

1. O three-fold God of ten - der u - ni - ty, life's great un-known that  
2. O blaze of ra - diance, source of light that blinds, the fie - ry splen - dor  
3. Most lov - ing Par - ent, Child of joys and pains cre - a - tive Spi - rit,  
4. In ev - 'ry mak - ing, each cre - a - tive dream and in the flow of  
5. O three-fold God of ten - der u - ni - ty, life's great un-known that

binds and sets us free: felt in our lov - ing, great - er than our thought,  
of pro - phe - tic minds, you live in mys - tery, yet with - in us dwell;  
life - force that sus - tains, in bone and flesh, we touch your gen - tle hand,  
life's great heal - ing stream, when love is born or peo - ple re - con - ciled,  
binds and sets us free: felt in our lov - ing, great - er than our thought,

you are the mys - tery found, the mys - tery sought.  
 life springs from you as from a liv - ing well.  
 your face we see in wa - ter, air, and land.  
 we share your life, O Par - ent, Spi - rit, Child.  
 you are the mys - tery found, the mys - tery sought.

Section: Threefold God Title: O threefold God of tender unity Meter: 10. 10. 10. 10 Words: W. L. Wallace (b. 1933) Music: *Flentge*, Carl Flentge Schalk (b. 1929)  
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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 and breath 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

*The Hymnal 1982*, #365 – Come Now, Almighty God

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1 Come now, Al - might - y God, help us your  
2 Come now, In - car - nate Word, by heaven and  
3 Come, Ho - ly Com - fort - er, your sa - cred  
4 To you, great One in Three, e - ter - nal

name to laud; our songs we raise:  
earth a - dored; our prayer at - tend:  
wit - ness bear in this glad hour.  
prais - es be for ev - er - more.

Rul - er all glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic - to - ri - ous,  
Come, and your peo - ple bless, and give your word suc - cess;  
Your grace to us im - part, now rule in ev - ery heart,  
Your sov - ereign maj - es - ty may we in glo - ry see,



come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days!  
 grant us your ho - li - ness, Sav - ior and Friend!  
 nev - er from us de - part, Spir - it of power!  
 and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore.

Section: The Holy Trinity Title: Come, thou almighty King Meter: 664 6664 Words: Anonymous, ca. 1757, alt. Music: *Moscow*, Felice de Giardini (1716-1796); harm. *The New Hymnal*, 1916, based on *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1875, and Lowel Mason (1792-1872)

## 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 and God's people.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### Postlude

*Musician*

Komm, Gott Schöpfer, Heiliger Geist

J. S. Bach



## TODAY'S LITURGY

### Participants

The Rev. Dr. Meghan T. Sweeney – Priest-in-Charge  
David Montgomery – Lector of First Reading and Leader of Psalm  
Bernice Cramer – Lector of Second Reading  
Carter Lustig – Acolyte  
Eliza Blay – Intercessor  
Jack Blay – Lay Eucharistic Minister  
Dustin Ledgard – Pianist  
Amy Trueblood and Jack Blay – Altar Guild  
Kim Koger – Usher/Attendance  
Kathryn Anderson and Chris Gruener – Counters  
Adam Taylor – Tech

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## PRAYERS

### In Our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

For the Episcopal Church; for Sean Rowe, our Presiding Bishop; Julia Whitworth, our Diocesan Bishop, and Ian Douglas and Mary Glasspool, our Assisting Bishops; all ministers, lay and ordained; and we pray for our own Parish of St Paul; St. Mark's Chapel, St. Mark's School, Southborough; St. Elizabeth's Church, Sudbury; St. Peter's Church, Weston; The Ministry of the Diocesan Altar Guild and all Altar Guilds; and for the Diocesan Budget Committee.

### Parish Prayer List – Prayers are Requested for:

Mary Lou Montgomery, David Montgomery, and their whole family; Will; Alicia; Jeneffer; John; 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.

## SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Happy Anniversary, Tricia Tyler and Don Yurt (June 6)!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### What's Happening at POSP

- **Saturday, June 6:** Boston Pride for the People Parade with Diocesan Contingent
- **Sunday, June 7:** The Rev. Marissa Rohrbach, Canon for the Diocesan Central Region, Guest Preacher
- **Sunday, June 14:** Newton Highlands Village Day - Shared Worship and Street Festival
- **Sunday, June 21 and 28:** The Rev. Dr. David Killian, Guest Priest

### Boston Pride for the People Parade

Once again, the Diocese of Massachusetts plans to have large and visible delegations of LGBTQ+ people and allies as we witness God's love for all people this June. **POSP will join with the DioMass delegation on Saturday June 6 in Boston.** If you would like to march on June 6, please let Rev. Meghan know by TODAY, and also tell her what size t-shirt you would like!

### Sunday, June 7 - The Rev. Canon Marissa Rohrbach, Guest Preacher

The Rev. Canon Marissa Rohrbach, the regional canon for the diocesan Central Region (which POSP is part of), will join us on Sunday, June 7 as our guest preacher. Following the liturgy, we'll have an informal Q&A with Canon Marissa in the church -- so come with your questions about anything and everything pertaining to our life in, with, and about the diocese!

### Sunday, June 14 - Shared Worship for Newton Highlands Village Day

The Parish of St. Paul joins with the Newton Highlands Congregational Church and NewCity Church at the Newton Highlands Congregational Church (54 Lincoln Street) on **Sunday, June 14 at 10am** for the annual Village Day shared worship.

## **Sunday, June 14 – Newton Highlands Village Day Fair**

St. Paul's will have a table at this year's Village Day fair on Lincoln Street.

Volunteers are needed to help set up, attend, and clean up the table. It's a great way for POSP to be a presence and mingle with neighbors! Please see Kathryn Anderson or Christopher Gruener with your offer to help with the Village Day table.

## **Sunday June 21 and 28 – The Rev. Dr. David Killian**

The Rev. Dr. David Killian will serve as guest preacher and presider while Rev. Meghan is on vacation.

## **Rev. Meghan on Vacation: Friday, June 12 - Sunday, June 21, and Thursday June 25 - Sunday, June 28**

Rev. Meghan will be on vacation for most of June 12 through June 28. In case of pastoral emergency, please contact:

June 12 - June 16: The Rev. Tammy Hobbs Miracky (617-244-3221; leave a voicemail) or The Rev. Todd Miller (978-886-7214.)

June 17 - June 21: The Rev. Todd Miller

June 22 - June 26: The Rev. Tammy Hobbs Miracky

June 27 - June 28: The Rev. Tammy Hobbs Miracky or The Rev. Todd Miller

## **Pastoral Care Support**

Members of the Pastoral Care Committee (currently Christopher Gruener, Margaret Hummel, John McDargh, David Montgomery, Mary Lou Pierron, Phil Whitbeck, and Rev. Meghan) are available to lend an ear, pray with people, and offer support in the ways we can. Please don't hesitate to reach out to a member of the committee, or to Rev. Meghan directly, with pastoral needs.

## **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.

## 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 Rt. Rev. Ian Douglas and the Rt. Rev. Mary Glasspool, Assisting Bishops, The Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts

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 June 24.

Priest-in-Charge: The Rev. Dr. Meghan T. Sweeney

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Lee Hatfield, leebateshatfield@verizon.net

Kim Koger, mkskoger5@gmail.com

## **Elected Parish Leaders at St. Paul's**

Delegates to the Charles River Deanery: Eliza Blay, Kim Koger, David Montgomery, and Mary Lou Pierron


Delegates to the Diocesan Convention: Jack Blay and Tricia Tyler; alternate Kim Koger

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