



SAINT PAUL'S CATHEDRAL

Episcopal Diocese of Oklahoma

May 20, 2017
Sixth Week of Easter
Holy Eucharist Rite II
5:00 PM

Before the Service

Please keep a moment of silence to prepare your hearts and minds for worship and if you so desire you may use the following prayer:

O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prelude



Processional Hymn *Hymnal 705, verses 1-3*

[Please stand as you are able]

As those of old their first fruits brought
of vineyard, flock, and field
to God, the giver of all good,
the source of bounteous yield;
so we today our first fruits bring,
the wealth of this good land,
of farm and market, shop and home,
of mind, and heart, and hand.

A world in need now summons us
to labor, love, and give;
to make our life an offering
to God that all may live;
the Church of Christ is calling us
to make the dream come true:
a world redeemed by Christ-like love;
all life in Christ made new.

With gratitude and humble trust
we bring our best to thee
to serve thy cause and share thy love
with all humanity.

O thou who gavest us thyself
in Jesus Christ thy Son,
help us to give ourselves each day
until life's work is done.

Opening Acclamation

BCP 355

✠ Alleluia, Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Collect for Purity

BCP 355

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 Lord. Amen.

Hymn of Praise

Hymnal 537, verses 1-4

Christ for the world we sing!
The world to Christ we bring
with loving zeal;
the poor, and them that mourn,
the faint and overborne,
sin-sick and sorrow-worn,
whom Christ doth heal.

Christ for the world we sing!
The world to Christ we bring
with fervent prayer;
the wayward and the lost,
by restless passions tossed,
redeemed at countless cost
from dark despair.

**Christ for the world we sing!
The world to Christ we bring
with one accord;
with us the work to share,
with us reproach to dare,
with us the cross to bear,
for Christ our Lord.**

**Christ for the world we sing!
The world to Christ we bring
with joyful song;
the new-born souls, whose days,
reclaimed from error's ways,
inspired with hope and praise,
to Christ belong.**

Collect of the Day

BCP 225

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Lesson

1 Peter 3:13-22

[You may be seated]

A Reading from the First Letter of Peter.

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to

God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn

Hymnal 182, verses 1-3

[Please stand as you are able]

**Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.
His cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring.
His love in death shall never die.**

**Christ is alive! No longer bound
to distant years in Palestine,
he comes to claim the here and now
and conquer every place and time.**

**Not throned above, remotely high,
untouched, unmoved by human pains,
but daily, in the midst of life,
our Savior with the Father reigns.**

Gospel

John 14:15-21

✠ ✠ ✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. "I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day

you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Gospel Hymn

Hymnal 182, verses 4-5

**In every insult, rift, and war
where color, scorn or wealth divide,
he suffers still, yet loves the more,
and lives, though ever crucified.**

**Christ is alive! His Spirit burns
through this and every future age,
till all creation lives and learns
his joy, his justice, love, and praise.**

Sermon

[You may be seated after
the sermon opening prayer]

Always Be Ready

[After the sermon there will be a moment of
silence for private meditation]

Creed

BCP 358

[Please stand as you are able]

**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.**

Prayers

Let us pray for the church and the world.

Refrain **In the Lord I'll be ever thankful,
in the Lord I will rejoice!**

Look to God, do not be afraid.

**Lift up your voices, the Lord is near;
Lift up your voices, the Lord is near.**

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name, may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world; especially for Justin of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Edward, our Bishop; Michele and Gilberto, Bishops of Uruguay; and the clergy and people of the diocese of Oklahoma and our companion diocese of Uruguay.

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; especially for Donald, our President; Mary, our Governor; and Mick, our Mayor.

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.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit.

[Special Intentions]

And we pray that we may share with all your saints, in the joy of your Eternal Kingdom.

Refrain **In the Lord I'll be ever thankful,
 in the Lord I will rejoice!
 Look to God, do not be afraid.
Lift up your voices, the Lord is near;
Lift up your voices, the Lord is near.**

Confession *BCP 377*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

[You may stand or kneel as you are able]

[Silence is kept]

**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.**

Absolution

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.**

Peace *BCP 360*

[Please stand as you are able]

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

**[You may share a greeting of peace
 with those near you]**

Welcome

[You may be seated]

Offertory Sentence *BCP 377, Ephesians 5:2*

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory *Leah McDonald, Soprano*

Doxology *Hymnal 193, verse 5*

[Please stand as you are able]

**All praise, O risen Lord, we give
to thee, who, dead, again dost live;
to God the Father equal praise,
and God the Holy Ghost, we raise.**

The Great Thanksgiving *BCP 369*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us.

By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in

hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus

Hymnal S129

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the Highest.

✦ **Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

Hosanna in the Highest.

Eucharistic Prayer C

BCP 369

[Please remain standing]

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, 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."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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." Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers; God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebekah, Jacob and Leah and Rachel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

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

**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.**

Fraction

Hymnal S154

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
therefore let us keep the feast.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Invitation to Communion

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion of the People

[You may be seated]

Post-communion Prayer

BCP 365

Let us pray.

[Please stand or kneel as you are able]

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living
members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Easter Blessing *Book of Occasional Services*

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.**

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, ☩ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn *Hymnal 616, verses 1-5*

[Please stand as you are able]

**Hail to the Lord's Anointed,
great David's greater Son!
Hail, in the time appointed,
his reign on earth begun!**

**He comes to break oppression,
to set the captive free;
to take away transgression,
and rule in equity.**

**He comes with succor speedy
to those who suffer wrong,
to help the poor and needy,
and bid the weak be strong;
to give them songs for sighing,
their darkness turn to light,
whose souls, condemned and dying,
were precious in his sight.**

**He shall come down like showers
upon the fruitful earth,
and love, joy, hope, like flowers,
spring in his path to birth:
before him on the mountains
shall peace, the herald, go;
and righteousness in fountains
from hill to valley flow.**

**Kings shall bow down before him,
and gold and incense bring;
all nations shall adore him,
his praise all people sing;
to him shall prayer unceasing
and daily vows ascend;
his kingdom still increasing,
a kingdom without end.**

**O'er every foe victorious,
he on his throne shall rest;
from age to age more glorious,
all blessing and all blest:
the tide of time shall never
his covenant remove;
his Name shall stand for ever,
his changeless Name of Love.**

The Dismissal

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

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude



Pastoral Prayers

If you desire pastoral prayers, please make that request of one of our clergy after the conclusion of the worship service.

Those Serving Today

Canon Musician H. Scott Raab

Altar Guild: Robert Dennis, Dianne Dooley, Carolyn Clifford, Janet Craven, Molly Rieger, Chad Stanford, Lea Eldridge, Jeannie Haas

Celebrant: The Rev. Tim Sean Youmans

Preacher: The Rev. Tim Sean Youmans

Lector: Gypsy Hogan

Intercessor: Karen Meites

Eucharistic Ministers: Karen Meites,
David Bridges



beacon of hope...

GRADUATION

This is a time of graduations. Some are graduating from pre-school and heading into more formal schooling. Some are moving from elementary to middle school, middle school to high school, etc. Some are graduating from high school. And even some are graduating from college or graduate school. Whatever the graduating moment may be, it is a milestone in the life of the individual and in the life of his or her family. Congratulations to all!!

Graduation though is not just a moment to celebrate the accomplishments of the past that got the individual to this moment. Graduation is also a time to look forward and contemplate how the accomplishments of the past can be used in the future. It is my hope that all graduates will use their new found skills, life events, accomplishments, and successes to actually make the world a better place...that each graduate would bring hope to a world desperately needing it.

In God's Peace,
Dean Justin+

Liturgy We Live *by Dr. Gil Haas*

A diocese of the Episcopal Church may enter into a companion relationship with an overseas diocese of the Anglican Communion. The mission of such a relationship includes mutual encouragement and prayer, intensified understanding and concern, and the exchange of both spiritual and material resources. Each partner in the companion relationship is to be both a giver and a receiver. Companion diocese relationships are formally recognized by the Executive Council of the Episcopal Church at the request of the dioceses involved, on the basis of a resolution by both partners. The companion relationship is for a fixed period of time that may be renewed. In November, 2010, following a 17-month process, our Diocese and the Diocese of Uruguay ratified a formal Companion Diocesan Covenant. The Diocese of Uruguay's Cathedral of the Holy Trinity is located in Montevideo on the South Atlantic Ocean. Although one of the smallest dioceses, it undertakes an outreach program to pre-school children, adolescents seeking work experience, youth with special education needs, as well as HIV+ individuals who are living in poverty. The Diocese supports medical facilities and an organic vegetable project in a poor part of Progreso located just outside Montevideo.

Dear St. Paul's Cathedral Family,

I am happy to report that our revenue for April was strong, and due in large part to you for fulfilling your pledges. We received a nice spike in our royalty revenue as well.

On the expense side we had to replace the furnace units that service the office areas. This accounted for \$5,450 of the total in building repair and maintenance expense line for the month.

As we begin to prepare for the summer, I like to remind us all that our utility expenses tend to increase at the same time that our pledged revenue slows. If you can, please make arrangements to continue the consistency of fulfilling your pledge for the year. Also, we are still in the season of Easter, if you would like to make an Easter gift to the Cathedral, envelopes are still available in the pews.

As always, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to reach out to me directly at ewalter@pobox.com

Gratefully,
Evan Walter
Treasurer

FINANCIAL UPDATE THRU MARCH 2017

	Actual	Budget	Variance
Income			
Pledge	\$286,061	\$295,658	(\$9,598)
Non-Pledge/Plate	\$22,819	\$20,229	\$2,590
Holiday Offering	\$3,615	\$5,500	(\$1,885)
Other (includes endowment, royalty, and property)	\$75,367	\$63,787	\$11,580
Total Income	\$387,861	\$385,175	\$2,686
Expense			
Clergy & Staff	\$255,299	\$254,361	(\$938)
Ministries	\$25,414	\$23,400	(\$2,014)
Outreach	\$2,890	\$5,067	\$2,177
Diocesan Support	\$72,366	\$65,147	(\$7,219)
Admin/Property/Utilities	\$71,835	\$59,370	(\$12,465)
Total Expense	\$427,803	\$407,345	(\$20,458)
Difference	(\$39,942)	(\$22,170)	(\$17,772)

Sunday @ Saint Paul's
Graduation and Teacher Recognition
Sunday, May 21
Reception @ 10:10 am

Ascension Day Service
12:10 PM Thursday May 25 in the Cathedral

Memorial Day Observance

Monday, May 29

East Garden and Tower Columbariums
open 10 am to 4 pm

A Service of Prayer and Remembrance
at 12:10 in the Chapel

Open to everyone
 who would like to remember a loved one

Office Closed

This Week @ St. Paul's

Sunday, 21 – Graduation Sunday

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I (*no Music*) – Cathedral
 9:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II – Cathedral
 11:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I – Cathedral

Monday, 22

9:00 AM St. George's Guild Outreach – Back Bldg.

Tuesday, 23

12:10 PM AA – Library
 12:10 PM AI-Anon – Undercroft
 6:00 PM Yoga – Dean Willey Hall
 7:15 PM Nar-Anon – Undercroft

Wednesday, 24

9:00 AM St. George's Guild Outreach – Back Bldg.
 9:00 AM Mobile Meals – Kitchen

Thursday, 25

11:30 AM Tai Chi Class – Dean Willey Hall
 12:10 PM Ascension Day Service – Cathedral

Friday, 26

9:00 AM St. George's Guild Outreach – Back Bldg.

Saturday, 27

8:00 AM Brotherhood of St. Andrew – Kitchen
 5:00 PM Holy Eucharist Rite II – Cathedral

Sunday, 28

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I (*no Music*) – Cathedral
 9:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II – Cathedral
 10:10 AM Summer Fellowship – Reception Area
 11:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I – Cathedral

Arts Crawl

11:00 AM Monday, June 5

Join us for an Arts Crawl down the Plaza. We will begin at DNA Galleries (1709 NW 16th) at 11:00. The DNA gallery specializes in local artists. Our next stop is just across the street at Kasum Contemporary Fine Art (1706 NW 16th). We wrap up our morning with lunch at Aurora Restaurant (1704 NW 16th). You may join us for all of the crawl or selected portions that fit your schedule. Parking should be available in the Lyric Theater lot just down the block. Invite anyone that you like. There is no need to RSVP just show up and enjoy.

Hold the Date - Arts Crawl 2

12:00 PM Tuesday, June 13
IAO gallery (706 W Sheridan)



Come to a *Summertime Tasting* of the regular spiritual practices taught during the school year at St. Paul's.

The forums at 10:10 am will offer a sampling of food and prayer, all of which is designed to help all of us discover a new and deeper relationship with God.

- June 11 Intro to Series & Ignatian (*Canon Joplin*)
- June 18 Mindfulness (*Bill Parker & Dan Morgan*)
- June 25 Labyrinth (*MaryAnn Sonntag*)
- July 2 Lectio Divina (*Franci Hart*)
- July 9 Centering Prayer
 (*Ann Murray & the Rev. Tony Moon*)
- July 16 Anglican Rosary (*James Collins*)

