

SUNDAY WORSHIP AT ST. PAUL'S
THE 12TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
AUGUST 16, 2026



"Crumbs of Love" (2008) by British artist Michael Cook, created using acrylic and oil pastel on canvas.



Welcome to St. Paul's!

Whether you come from far or near, we greet you in the name of Jesus Christ! We invite people of all denominations and none to join in our worship together.

Worshipping With Us: *Our worship follows the Book of Common Prayer in the pew racks (BCP) and authorized supplements, The People's responses are in **bold**. Links to the online Book of Common Prayer are in **blue**. Explanations of each section are marked with ¶. Hymns are listed on the hymnboard at the front of the church as well as in this bulletin.*

Restrooms are located downstairs; please ask for directions.

Please ensure devices are off or set to vibrate. Thank you.

The 12th Sunday after Pentecost

The Holy Eucharist

August 16, 2026

Prelude

Instrumental

Opening Hymn

How Wondrous and Great

H-533

*1 How wondrous and great
thy works, God of praise!
How just, King of saints,
and true are thy ways!
O who shall not fear thee,
and honor thy Name?
Thou only art holy,
thou only supreme.*

*2 To nations of earth
thy light shall be shown;
their worship and vows
shall come to thy throne:
thy truth and thy judgments
shall spread all abroad,
till earth's every people
confess thee their God.*

The Acclamation (*standing*)

Presider: Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever, Amen.**

Prayer for Holy Worship

The Celebrant

Song of Praise (*all sing*)

Powers of This World

Ode to Joy

A Song of Columba

Ode to Joy

Words: Annie Lawson (2025)
Paraphrase of Columba (6th century)
Music: Ludwig von Beethoven (1824)

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. It consists of four staves of music, each with corresponding lyrics underneath. The lyrics are written in a simple, sans-serif font. The music is a melody of eighth and quarter notes, with some rests. The lyrics are as follows:

Pow - ers of this world pre - tend that here they reign, but they shall learn:
In the dark - ness, clouds, and thun - der God re - jects the pow'rs that be.
Lust for tit - les, flesh, and trea - sure in God's pre - sence pass a - way.

5
God most right - eous ne'er in - ten - ded them to reign; Christ shall re - turn.
Day of mir - a - cle and won - der when God's hope we all shall see!
God will rule be - yond all mea - sure. Quick - ly come, O Christ we pray!

9
God's great day is close at hand, God's dis - con - tent at what is wrong vin -
World - ly folk might fill with sad - ness, sor - row, e - ven an - guish too. Change
God whose right - eous - ness and pow - er dwarfs those great in their own eyes, grow

13
- di - cates those in our land who keep a - live the jus - tices song.
our hearts that we know glad - ness when we see what you shall do.
your reign from bud to flo - wer. Make the day we seek a - rise.

The Word of God

The Collect is the prayer appointed for each Sunday that "collects" or captures the theme of the day or season of the Church year. It summarizes the attributes of God as revealed in the scriptures for the day.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and

to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

¶ *All may be seated.*

The First Reading

Isaiah 56.1,6-8

Thus says the LORD:

Maintain justice, and do what is right,
for soon my salvation will come,
and my deliverance be revealed.

And the foreigners who join themselves to
the LORD,
to minister to him, to love the name of
the LORD,
and to be his servants,

all who keep the sabbath, and do not
profane it,
and hold fast my covenant--

these I will bring to my holy mountain,
and make them joyful in my house of
prayer;

their burnt offerings and their sacrifices
will be accepted on my altar;

for my house shall be called a house of prayer
for all peoples.

Thus says the Lord GOD,
who gathers the outcasts of Israel,

I will gather others to them
besides those already gathered.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Book of Isaiah is often called "The Fifth Gospel" because so many of its texts preview the establishment of God's power in Jesus. It's the longest of the Major Prophets and contains reflections on the destruction of the nation, the Exile, and the Return. This portion of Isaiah was perhaps written ca. 550-530 BC, during the Exile in Babylon.

May God be merciful to us and bless us, *
show us the light of his countenance and come to us.

Let your ways be known upon earth, *
your saving health among all nations.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, *

**for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide all the nations upon earth.**

Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.

The earth has brought forth her increase; *
**may God, our own God, give us his
blessing.**

May God give us his blessing, *
**and may all the ends of the earth stand in
awe of him.**

*The Psalms are songs from
the Hebrew Scriptures that
Jesus used and cover every
mood of humanity's
relationship with God and
one another. Anglicans pray
the Psalms daily at Morning
and Evening Prayer and at
nearly all public services.*

The Second Reading
29-36

Romans 11:1-2a, 13-20,

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I glorify my ministry in order to make my own people jealous, and thus save some of them. For if their rejection is the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance be but life from the dead! If the part of the dough

offered as first fruits is holy, then the whole batch is holy; and if the root is holy, then the branches also are holy.

St. Paul had not yet been to Rome, and wanted to encourage the church and remind them of the things they believe before he visited. So about 56-57 AD he wrote them this letter, one of the most articulate descriptions of the gospel, salvation, and Christ's work ever written.

But if some of the branches were broken off, and you, a wild olive shoot, were grafted in their place to share the rich root of the olive tree, do not vaunt yourselves over the branches. If you do vaunt yourselves, remember that it is not you that support the root, but the root that supports you. You will say, 'Branches were broken off so that I might be grafted in.' That is true. They were broken off because of their

unbelief, but you stand only through faith. So do not become proud, but stand in awe.

For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

O the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgements and how inscrutable his ways!

'For who has known the mind of the Lord?

Or who has been his counsellor?'

'Or who has given a gift to him,
to receive a gift in return?'

For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be the glory for ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*1 There's a wideness in God's mercy
like the wideness of the sea;
there's a kindness in his justice,
which is more than liberty.
There is welcome for the sinner,
and more graces for the good;
there is mercy with the Savior;
there is healing in his blood.*

*2 There is no place where earth's sorrows
are more felt than up in heaven;
there is no place where earth's failings
have such kindly judgment given.
There is plentiful redemption
in the blood that has been shed;
there is joy for all the members
in the sorrows of the Head.*

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 15.21-28

*The book of Matthew is the first Gospel
(an account of Jesus' life and ministry) in
the New Testament. In Matthew, Jesus
teaches people what it means to be part of
his kingdom, the "kingdom of heaven."
He is betrayed and crucified. He rises
again and commissions His disciples to
spread the good news.*

¶*Please stand as able.*

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of Our
Lord Jesus Christ according to
Matthew. **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus left that place and went away
to the district of Tyre and Sidon.
Just then a Canaanite woman from
that region came out and started
shouting, "Have mercy on me,

Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly. The Gospel of the Lord.

¶*Response after the Gospel* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*3 For the love of God is broader
than the measure of the mind;
and the heart of the Eternal
is most wonderfully kind.
If our love were but more faithful,
we should take him at his word;
and our life would be thanksgiving
for the goodness of the Lord.*

Sermon

The Rev. Robert Solon

What the Church Believes (The Nicene Creed)

BCP. p. 358

Prayers of the People

As announced

Intercessor: We pray today for those who have requested our prayers:

We pray for **Sue** Ferguson, **Sharon** Duggan, **Heather** Durdil, **Jeanne** Burgess, **Zach** Mitchell, **Smith** Solon, **Keith** Cultice, **Cecelia** Rye, **Gloria** Horne, **Gary** Hartzel, **Dave** Frederick, **Bob** Hilt, **Darcy** Good, and any others whom we now name, aloud or in our hearts....

We pray for all who have died, especially in war, gun violence, and natural disaster, and any others we remember now, aloud or in the silence of our hearts....

We pray for a just ending to war throughout the world, and especially with Iran, in the Middle East, Ukraine, Sudan, and unrest in our own nation as well.

We pray for **the members and guests of this parish and the Food Pantry, for our Vestry, for Bob our rector, and for our sister churches of St Paul's Duluth and St. Paul's Elkins Park; St. Michael's and Zion Methodist Kelleys Island; Our Lady Star of the Sea and St. Mary's/Calvary Pelee Island; and Mother of Sorrows Put-in-Bay.**

In the Diocese of Ohio, we pray for: **Anne our Bishop, and this week for: Grace Church, Ravenna; Grace Church, Sandusky; Christ Church, Shaker Heights, and their surrounding communities.**

In our wider church, we pray for **Sean, our Presiding Bishop**, and in the Anglican Communion, we pray for: **Sarah, the Archbishop of Canterbury**, and this week for the people and clergy of: **The Church in Wales, the Diocese of Badagry** (Nigeria), **the Diocese of Bahamas and The Turks and Caicos Islands** (West Indies), **the Diocese of Ballarat** (Australia), **the Diocese of Bangor** (Wales), **the Diocese of Banks and Torres** (Melanesia); and the **Diocese of Barbados** (West Indies).

We give thanks for all your blessings that you have given us, and especially those we name, aloud or in our hearts....

And we pray for ourselves and for our own needs, naming them to God in the silence of our hearts or aloud....

For whom else and what else shall we pray today?

We pray together:

**Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask:
Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those
good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot
ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.
*Amen. (BCP p. 394)***

Confession of Sin and Absolution

[BCP p. 360](#)

The Greeting:

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

¶ *All may greet those close to them with a sign of peace. Short announcements may follow.*

The Holy Communion

In the Great Thanksgiving, we do what Jesus himself asked us to do: we thank God and recall all that God is doing for us in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. In this prayer, often called the Eucharistic Prayer, we recall God's acts of salvation history. The priest prays the Words of Institution over the bread and wine that Jesus said at the Last Supper. We then remember Christ's death, resurrection, and promise to return at the end of the age. During the prayer, the Holy Spirit is invoked to bless and sanctify the gifts of bread and wine, and we who will receive them.

At the Offering

Instrumental

¶ *It takes nearly \$130,000 a year, or \$355 a day, to offer the Church and Food Pantry ministries 365 days a year. Please support the ministry of St. Paul's with your tithes and offerings. To give online, Scan this QR code:*



Some items you may wish to donate toward specifically

- *A leafblower*
- *Cleaning Supplies*
- *Propane for the Winter*
- *Snow Removal*
- *Office Supplies*
- *Yard and Garden Care*

At the Presentation *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow*

H-380, vs 3

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

The Great Thanksgiving:

Prayer A

BCP p. 361

The Song of the Angels

Holy Holy Holy

L-256

Leader
(piano) Ho - ly,

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of

pow'r_ and might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.____

The musical score is written for a piano and voice. It consists of four systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature has one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 6/8. The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r_ and might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.____'. The piano part features a steady eighth-note accompaniment in the right hand and a more active bass line in the left hand. The vocal line is simple and melodic, following the lyrics.

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The Lord's Prayer (Traditional)

At the Breaking of the Bread

¶ *The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

All: **There let us keep the feast, Alleluia.**

¶ *Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

¶ *All may come up to the Altar while the ministers receive Communion.*

Distribution of Communion

All who are baptized and permitted to receive Communion in their own traditions are welcome at the Lord's Supper. We offer both wheat and gluten-free bread, and both wine and grape juice. Come up to the Altar Rail and stand or kneel. Receive the Bread or gluten-free Host in your hand - ask the Presider if you require gluten-free. Then either consume the Bread and drink from the Chalice, or dip the Host into the Chalice when it comes to you, again asking the minister if you desire the Juice. If you wish to receive a blessing instead of Communion, please simply cross your hands over your chest.

For those who cannot receive the Sacrament today, you may wish to pray this prayer while Communion is being distributed:

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits you have given me, for all the pains and insults you have borne for me. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may I know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day.
Amen.

*Lord God, you now have set your servant free
To go in peace as promised in your word;
My eyes have seen the Savior, Christ the Lord,
Prepared by you for all the world to see,
To shine on nations trapped in darkest night,
The glory of your people, and their light.*

Prayer after Communion

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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.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn

Have Thine Own Way Lord

L-145

*1 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.*

*2 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.*

*3 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.*

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

Dismissal: *Celebrant:* Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.

All respond: **Thanks be to God!**



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News and Announcements:

St. Paul's is on YouTube! We are uploading all our Facebook live videos and are looking into how and if to livestream to both Facebook and Youtube at the same time. We will need at least 50 subscribers in order to livestream directly. Check us out here: <http://www.youtube.com/@StPaulsPut-in-Bay>

Flowers on the Altar: If you would like to make a dedication for live flowers for the Altar for any reason, please contact Ruth Scarpelli or Fr. Bob. The suggested donation is \$30, but any amount is fine.

Service Schedule

Altar Guild
Accompanist
Reader
Intercessor
Eucharistic Minister

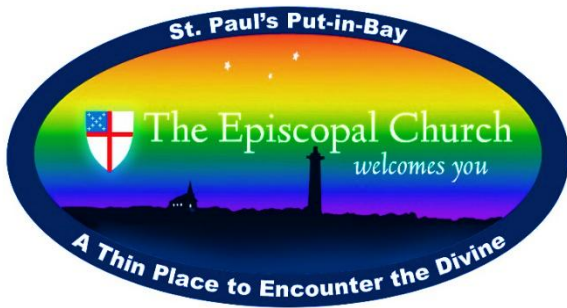
Sunday August 16

Ruth Scarpelli
Paula Hubner
Bob White
Mary Ann Meyers
Bob White

Sunday August 23

Ruth Scarpelli
Paula Hubner
Bob White
Mary Ann Meyers
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Contact Val Chornyak or Fr Bob if interested in a service ministry



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This Week (August 16-22):

Sunday

8 AM: Summer Worship at DeRivera Park

9 AM: Christian Formation in the Parish Hall

10:30 AM: Holy Eucharist in the Church

Monday: 8 AM: AA in the Parish Hall

Wednesday, 12 noon: Prayers for the Nation and the World, with Holy Communion

Thursday, 7 PM: AA in the Parish Hall

Saturday

9 PM: AA in the Parish Hall

Summer Office Hours: By appt. – call Fr Bob to arrange a time.

2026-27 Officers and Vestry

Rector and Chair: The Rev. Robert (Bob) Solon

Senior Warden: Kira Hubner (2027); Junior Warden: Chip Duggan (2029)

Clerk: Sarah Toole (2028)

Val Chornyak (2028) Ruth Scarpelli (2029)

Treasurer: Bob White

Scheduled Meetings:

Tuesday September 15 6.15 PM

All meetings are in the Church Office and open for anyone to attend.