

SAINT PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE HOLY EUCHARIST AND THE BAPTISM OF ACRE JAMISON WILLIS OCTOBER 23, 2022 · 10:00 AM

Announcements

Prelude

Please stand at the ringing of the bell

Entrance Hymn

"All my hope on God is founded"

Hymnal 1982 #665

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

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

There is one Body and one Spirit;

There is one hope in God's call to us;

One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

One God and Father of all.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, by our baptism into the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ, you turn us from the old life of sin: Grant that we, being reborn to new life in him, may live in righteousness and holiness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The People may be seated for the lessons.

The Lessons

A reading from Ezekiel 36:24-28

I will take you from the nations, and gather you from all the countries, and bring you into your own land. I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. I will put my spirit within you, and make you follow my statutes and be careful to observe my ordinances. Then you shall live in the land that I gave to your ancestors; and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Psalm

Canticle of Isaiah

Renew Songbook #122

A reading from Romans 6:3-5

Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Alleluia (*the People stand as they are able*)



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The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Glory to you Lord Christ.

Mark 1:9-11

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon – *The Rev. Dr. Brent Norris*

After the sermon the candidate for Baptism, along with parents and sponsors, gather at the font.

All children are invited to come forward as well.

The congregation may be seated for the first portion.

Presentation and Examination of the Candidate for Baptism

Presider: The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented

Sponsors: **I present Acre Jamison Willis to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.**

Presider: Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Sponsors: **I will, with God's help**

Presider: Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Sponsors: **I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Sponsors: **I renounce them.**

Presider: Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Sponsors: **I renounce them.**

Presider: Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Sponsors: **I renounce them.**

Presider: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Sponsors: **I do.**

Presider: Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Sponsors: **I do.**

Presider: Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Sponsors: **I do.**

The Presider invites the congregation to stand and addresses them

Presider: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this child in his life in Christ?

People: **We will.**

Presider: Let us join with this person who is committing himself to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

Do you believe in God the Father?

People: **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Presider: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Presider: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: **I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

Presider: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People: **I will, with God's help.**

Presider: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People: I will, with God's help.

Presider: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People: I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidate

Presider: Let us now pray for this child who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Leader: Deliver him, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Open his heart to your grace and truth.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Fill him with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Keep him in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Send him into the world in witness to your love.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Bring him to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

The Presider says

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. **Amen.**

Thanksgiving over the Water

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words the Presider touches the water.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Baptism

Acre Jamison, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

Acre, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever. **Amen.**

The Presider presents a lighted candle to the newly baptized.

Jesus said, I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will have the light of life.

Let this candle be a sign of the presence of the risen Christ in this new member of Christ's body.

The Presider addresses the congregation.

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

People

We receive you into the household of God.

Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

Standing

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Hymn

"We know that Christ is raised"

Hymnal 1982 # 296

The Presentation *The People stand and sing as the offerings are brought to the Altar.*

Refrain

As the grains of wheat once scat - tered on the hill were
gath - ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo - ple from
all the ends of earth be gath - ered in - to one in you.
2 Let this be a fore - taste of all that is to come when
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

Refrain

The Holy Communion

Standing

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.

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing; and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

Sanctus

Hymnal 1982# 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.

The people remain standing or kneel

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ.

Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with St. Paul and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

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.

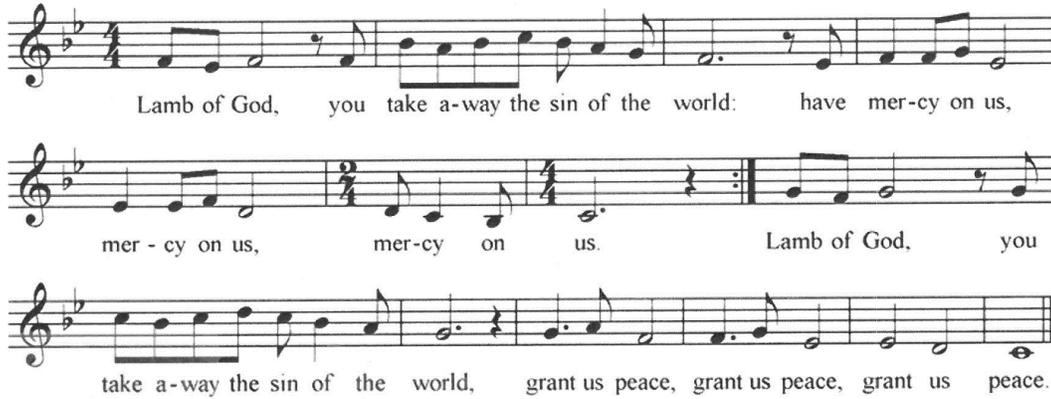
The Breaking of the Bread *(A period of silence is kept)*

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

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

Fraction Anthem

"Lamb of God"



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us,
mer - cy on us, mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a-way the sin of the world, grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

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Invitation to Communion

Presider: As grain from the hillside is made to be one bread, and grapes from the vineyard are made to be

one cup.

People : **So may we who are many be made one in this communion of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

**All baptized Christians are welcomed at the Lord's Table. You may receive in one of these ways.*

- 1. Receive the bread and drink from the common cup*
- 2. Receive the bread and dip it into the common cup*
- 3. If you wish to not receive in either or both kinds simply cross your arms across your chest to signal to the server your desires.*
- 4. The priest will offer a blessing if you choose to not receive in either kind.*

Hymn at the clearing of the Table

"Baptized in the water"

**Baptized in the water, sealed by the Spirit, cleansed by the blood of Christ our King:
heirs of salvation, trusting his promise, faithfully now God's praise we sing.**

**Baptized in the water, sealed by the Spirit, dead in the tomb with Christ our King:
one with his rising, freed and forgiven, thankfully now God's praise we sing.**

**Baptized in the water, sealed by the Spirit, marked with the sign of Christ our King:
born of one Father, we are his children, joyfully now God's praise we sing.**

Post communion prayer

Let us pray.

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

Hymn

"Lift high the cross"

Hymnal 1982 #473

Dismissal

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

Thanks be to God.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For healing: Al, Amelia, Amy, Ashley, Ben, Bernice, Bill, Bob, Buddy, Carol, Cindy, Clay, Daniel, Dave, Diedre, Dennis, Diane, Donna, Elaine, Esther, Evelyn, Francis, Frank, Fred, Freda, Gail, Henry, Jack, Jeff, Jenna, Jenny, Jerry, John, Joyce, Judy, Karin, Kate, Kathy, Kenneth, Kim, Kirsten, Kristi, Larry, LaVerne, Leigh, Linda, Lynn, Madelyn, Margaret, Marilyn, Marty, Mary, Mary Ann, Massey, Matt, Mel, Mike, Milton, Myrna, Nancy, Natalie, Nelda, Nicolas, Pat, Patrick, Paul, Peggy, Rita, Ron, Rose, Sandy, Sarah, Sherry, Steve, Terry, Tom, Tommy, Tony, Vera, Ward, Wayne and those who care for them.

For those in prison: for the prisoners, staff and families of prisoners and staff of Houston County Jail, Dothan, AL.

For the birthdays: Kathleen Roberts, Lisa Kent and Jerry Resmondo.

For anniversaries: Kathleen & Paul Roberts and Mike & Meg Scott.

SAINT PAUL'S THIS WEEK

TODAY

- 7:30 am-Holy Eucharist
- 9 am-Christian Formation
- 10 am-Holy Eucharist
- 6 pm-Iglesia Nueva Jerusalem
- 7 pm-NAR-NON & NA Open Meetings

MONDAY

- 8 pm-AA Meeting

TUESDAY

- 8 pm-AA

WEDNESDAY

- 10:30- Bible Study

- Noon-Holy Eucharist with Healing
- 7 pm-NA-Open Meeting

THURSDAY

- 4 pm-Women's Bible Study
- 6 pm-AA Meeting
- 8 pm-AA Open meeting

FRIDAY

- 6 pm Iglesia Nueva Jerusalem

SATURDAY

- 10 am-AA Meeting

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN & STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE CARDS DUE BACK BY OCTOBER 24TH

Please prayerfully consider your pledges. Both cards for the 2023 campaigns are due back to the church by October 24th. They may be returned to the office during the week or in the alms basin or in the box in the parish hall on Sundays. Envelopes are provided.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Parish will be Sunday, November 13th at 9:00 am in the nave. The business of the Meeting will be the election of Vestry Members, review of budget and finances and an update on the building program. All baptized, confirmed persons 16 years of age or older whose are entered in the parish register are eligible to vote.

PECAN SALE AT ST. PAUL'S

Order pecans for your holiday baking in the parish hall during October. Signup sheets are available on the table to the left as you enter. Contact Betsy Parton if you have any questions.

SAVE THE DATE
HARK-A CHRISTMAS CONCERT DECEMBER 1

This is our Christmas Concert at the Foley Civic Center. Tickets are on sale now.

ST. PAUL'S YARD SALE NOVEMBER 5TH

On November 5th from 8 am to 2 pm there will be a sale in the parish hall. Items to be donated should be brought ahead of time and placed in the kitchen of the Education Building. The back door will remain open for your convenience during regular office hours, Monday through Thursday from 9am to 4 pm. Please tag and price the items you bring to sell. Contact Trixie Foley for more information.

PASTOR BRENT'S WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday morning Bible study is both in person and by Zoom. We are studying the book of Acts, Luke's second volume. New Zoom Link for Bible Study beginning Oct. 26 through December 6 th
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88481892619?pwd=cjNBUXhDWTNlOGVMVFRPZUo4TWFnZdz09> Meeting ID: 884 8189 2619 Passcode: 201161

REMEMBER ECUMENICAL MINISTRIES WHEN YOU SHOP

Green beans, toiletries, syrup and any kind of baking mixes.

BLESSING BOX

Our Blessing Box is in need of donations of food and toiletries. There is a bin in the parish hall for you to put the items in on Sundays or you can place them directly into the box in front of the office anytime. **NO MORE DIAPERS.**

RECYCLE PROGRAM FOR THE BUILDING FUND

We can earn money for the church repairs by bringing our cans to church and placing them in the bin by the office on the Orchid St. side. There is no need to remove labels or wash or crush the cans. Donnie Bobe will take them to the recycling center and the money will be used for repairs. Contact Meg Scott or Donnie Bobe with questions.

INVITATION CARDS AVAILABLE

St. Paul's is a wonderful community and it is natural for us to want to tell people about ourselves and to invite them to come see for themselves. Sometimes, though, we might feel a little awkward saying something to someone without being able to give them something to help them remember us and maybe take the next step to learn more about us.

The answer to that problem is a very simple card with St. Paul's address and social media information. We have had some cards printed and they will be available starting this Sunday. These cards will be available in the back of the church today, and later in the office. The first step in someone deciding to become part of our community is for them to know more about us. These cards have basic information such as our address and phone number. They also have a QR code on the back that links to our web site so that someone can learn more about us and even look up service times. They can even hear Fr. Brent's latest sermon and that's important for a lot of people.

If you can make use of these cards, pick up a couple of them to keep in your purse or wallet. Please limit yourself to two or three cards today, and let Penny know if you need more. We will be happy to give you as many as you need. We can always order more!

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We know that Christ is raised

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Baptized in water

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Gospel Alleluia

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As the grains of wheat

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Sanctus (Holy, holy, holy)

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