



The Third Sunday of Easter: April 26, 2020

Welcome to St. Paul's Episcopal Church!

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Office Hours: Temporarily Closed

Lay Ministry

10:30 AM LECTOR

04/26: ROBB HORN

ACOLYTES

04/26: JEFF FAUNCE

05/03: JEFF FAUNCE

ALTAR GUILD

04/26: GEORGIANNA HARRISON, LAURA FUNK

VESTRY PERSON OF THE DAY

04/26: JOHN-PAUL BALLARD, ELIZABETH PORTER

05/03: DEBBIE SHAFFER, FRANK MCKEE

CIRCLE OF CARE (WEEKLY)

04/26: ELAINE HODGE, NANCY WYANT

05/03: SUZANNE TAYLOR, BILL SHADDOX

INTERCESSORY PRAYER (WEEKLY)

ON HOLD UNTIL IN-PERSON CHURCH SERVICES RESUME

Service Times

SUNDAY

10:30 AM HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

WEDNESDAY

Noon NOONDAY PRAYERS

Morsel for Meditation

From prayer that asks that I may be
Sheltered from winds that beat on Thee,
From fearing when I should aspire,
From faltering when I should climb higher
From silken self, O Captain, free
Thy soldier who would follow Thee.

From subtle love of softening things,
From easy choices, weakenings,
(Not thus are spirits fortified,
Not this way went the Crucified)
From all that dims Thy Calvary
O Lamb of God, deliver me.

Give me the love that leads the way,
The faith that nothing can dismay
The hope no disappointments tire,
The passion that will burn like fire;
Let me not sink to be a clod;
Make me Thy fuel, Flame of God.

Amy Carmichael, *Gold Cord: The Story of a Fellowship* (Ft. Washington, PA: CLC Publica-

Jesus Christ, *Head of the Church*

The Rt. Rev. Dr. George R. Sumner, *Bishop*

The Rev. Dr. Nicholas Funk, *Rector*

The Rev. Gordon Miltenberger, *Assisting Priest*

David Gish, *Music Director*

John Shasteen, *Organist*

Angela Dryer, *Parish Administrator*

Order of Worship

Pray for the Church, the Body of Christ

Please pray for those on our prayer list this week: Wes Archer, Judy Shaddox, Chris Bynum, Lily Stipe, Chris Wiltz, Allen Clegg Sr., The Clegg Family, Jo Dodson, Elaine Hodge, Beverly Gish, Cyndi Sehr, Faye Hamann, Dana Medford, Bob Lanier, Alice Cooney, Wayne and Lillian McHenry, Eileen Jenkins, Father Gordon, Dolores Miltenberger, Dru Ann Jamison, Mike Lavigne, and Paula Reeves. We also pray for our Daughters of the King Ministry as they bring their strength and service together by praying for friends and for the people.

Contact our church office to add a name to our prayer list: 903-455-5030.

Highlights/Announcements

- Per the directive of Bishop Sumner, the St. Paul's Church office is closed for the foreseeable future. Angela Dryer, our Parish Administrator, will check the office voicemail and email daily and respond to any messages.
- The Memorial Fund of St. Paul's gratefully acknowledges contributions by Dan & Kim Bond, Dixie Hunt, and Ginger Garcia in Loving Memory of St. Paul's faithful family member, PAULA BACKUS.

Stewardship Today

"Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High."

Psalms 50:14

Book of Common Prayer, page 376

Frank McKee- Stewardship Committee Chair

April 19 - Offering: \$2,205.00

Cover Art: Roy de Maistre, *The Supper at Emmaus* (Oxford, England: Methodist Collection of Modern Christian Art, 1958), oil. Dimensions: 60 cm x 50 cm.

BCP = Book of Common Prayer (black)
H = Hymnbook (red)
A3 = Alleluia III (yellow)

10:30 — HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

Prelude

Processional Hymn H #205

Good Christians all, rejoice (Gelobt sei Gott)

Opening Sentence BCP 355

Gloria in excelsis H #S280

Collect. BCP 357

The Lessons

First Reading Acts 2:14a,36-41

Psalms Psalm 116:1-3, 10-17

Epistle 1 Peter 1:17-23

Gospel Hymn H #185

*Christ Jesus lay in death's strong hands
(Christ lag in Todesbanden)*

Gospel Luke 24:13-35

Sermon The Rev. Dr. Nicholas Funk

The Nicene Creed BCP 358

Prayers of the People - Form III BCP 359

The Confession. BCP 360

The Peace. BCP 360

Announcements

Holy Communion

Offertory H #202

*The Lamb's high banquet called to share
(Ad cenam Agni providi)*

Offertory Anthem A3 #221

Doxology (Old 100th)

The Great Thanksgiving, Prayer A . . . BCP 361

Sanctus H #S129

The Lord's Prayer BCP 364

Agnus Dei H #S157

The Presentation BCP 362

Communion Hymns

Days of Elijah A3 #30

Sing Alleluia to the Lord A3 #145

Post Communion Prayer BCP 365

The Blessing & Dismissal BCP 366

Recessional Hymn H #184

*Christ the Lord is risen again
(Christ ist erstanden)*

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive communion.

Upcoming Events

- 04/26: Sunday - Tune in to the Church's Facebook Live or YouTube at 10:30am for the morning service
04/26: Sunday - Virtual Coffee Hour following the morning service via Zoom
04/29: Wednesday - Noonday prayer at Noon via Zoom (also posted live on the Parish's Facebook page)
04/29: **Wednesday - 8am & 6pm - Tune in to GEUS community Channel 34 for a broadcast of the previous Sunday's service at St. Paul's - a weekly event!**
05/01: Friday - Interactive Bible study via Zoom at 8:00am
05/03: Sunday - Tune in to the Church's Facebook Live or YouTube at 10:30am for the morning service
05/03: Sunday - Virtual Coffee Hour following the morning service via Zoom

To Join Zoom Meetings, use the following information:

Website: <https://zoom.us/j/9037772020>

Meeting ID: 903 777 2020 **Password:** 777777

One tap mobile: +13462487799,,9037772020#

Dial by your location: +1 346 248 7799

Rector's Update - April 24th

Greetings to the saints of St. Paul's,

Here are the highlights from what we did at the April Vestry meeting:

- Reviewed the Rector's Report, Junior Warden's Report, and the Treasurer's Report from March, as there was no Vestry meeting in March (due to coronavirus concerns).
- Heard the Executive Committee meets every week to discuss and handle our changing situation.
- Discussed the changes in Sunday worship and thanked the Tech Team (i.e. The Faunces, Mark Walsh, and Laura Funk) for doing an excellent job on making our worship available for parishioners.
- Understood that our next potluck event will likely be the June 28th Feast of Ss. Peter and Paul.
- Agreed that the Seder meal will be scheduled at an appropriate time in the future.
- Heard that the Parish and School applied for CARE Act funding for the Small Business Administration's Pay check Protection Program, but funding ran out before our loan went through.
- Approved the Parish and School to apply for CARE Act funding when/if additional funding is made available.
- Discussed possibilities for Parish Administrator staffing while Angela is out on maternity leave.
- Heard that Duncan Electric will install an electrical outlet on the porch of the school, and the Jr. Warden will install low-voltage landscape lighting.
- Discussed ways to fund the repair or replacement of the roof at the school and parish hall.
- Heard that we are currently applying for a number of grants.
- Heard various possibilities of receiving funds through credit cards and automated clearing house (ACH).
- Heard that we have the funding necessary to purchase the new lawn mower/tractor, and are waiting until business has returned to normal to complete the purchase.
- Heard that the School's attendance had been 88, and is now about 20 (i.e. children of Essential Personnel).
- Heard that the School's teachers are working 50% of what they have in the past, but are being paid 75% of their normal wage.
- Heard that the School's 50th Anniversary Celebration has been moved to October 24th.
- Heard that the School's Open House may be cancelled, or moved to May 12th.
- Heard that most Vestry committees have been unable to meet.
- Discussed the possibility of having a Celebration of Life event for Paula Backus (pending approval of the Backus family) in a month or two, and publicizing her memorial fund.

Here's my weekly update:

- Sunday services continue live via YouTube. Our Sunday service is broadcast on the GEUS community Channel (Channel 34) on Wednesdays at 8 am and 6 pm.
- The church building is now locked when not in use. This is to allow for the expensive video equipment to remain in place between services, and to make it so that we do not have to complete a top-to-bottom sanitizing every time we use the church. If you are one of the parishioners who use the church for private prayer, please contact the Rector.
- Our Sunday services improve each week, and the number of viewers continue to increase. Our tech team (i.e. The Faunce family, Laura Funk, and Mark Walsh) are great! We'll continue to offer the service via Facebook and YouTube as live streaming (with recordings and an MP3 of the sermon posted on our website later).
- Our parish office has closed, and we are working from home at least through the end of April. We are checking parish voicemails remotely, responding to emails, and meetings will be done via conference calls and videoconferencing.
- If you need to get with me for a meeting, I'm available to schedule one for a phone or video call. Probably the best email is fathernickfunk@gmail.com.
- Pastoral Care is being done via phone and videoconferencing. Face-to-face pastoral calls are only done in dire situations, and by the Rector only. If you have needs, please email or call – we can help!