



April 21, 2024
The Fourth Sunday of Easter
8:45 am & 11:00 am

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

8:45 am: *The King of Love, My Shepherd Is*- Baker/Irish melody
11:00 am: *Allein Gott in der Höh sei Her*- Johann Gottfried Walther

Processional Hymn:

Sing, Ye Faithful, Sing with Gladness

H-492

*Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness, make your noblest, sweetest strain,
With the praises of your Savior let his house resound again;
Him, let all your music honor, and your songs exalt his reign.*

*Sing how he came forth from heaven, bowed himself to Bethlehem's cave,
Stooped to wear the servant's vesture, bore the pain, the cross, the grave,
Passed within the gates of darkness, thence his banished ones to save.*

*So he tasted death for mortals, he, of humankind the head,
Sinless one, among the sinful, Prince of life, among the dead;
Thus he wrought the full redemption, and the captor captive led.*

*Now on high, yet ever with us, from his Father's throne the Son
Rules and guides the world be ransomed, till the appointed work be done,
Till he see, renewed and perfect, all things gathered into one.*

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

BCP, p. 355

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Celebrant: Almighty God, to you... Through Christ our Lord

People: Amen.

Gloria

S-280

*Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
You take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
In the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson:

Acts 4:5-12

The rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is `the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.' There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23 (8:45 am: spoken in unison/11:00 am: sung by Choir)

KJV, p. 476

The LORD is my shepherd; *

I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; *

he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul; *

he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; *

for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; *

thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, *

and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

The Second Reading:

1 John 3:16-24

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us-- and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

(During the singing of the Gospel hymn, a wooden cross will be carried down the center aisle and the children are invited to follow and to go to Children's chapel- they will rejoin their family at the Peace)

*The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never.
I nothing lack if I am his, and he is mine forever.*

*Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul he leadeth;
And where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.*

*Thou spread'st a table in my sight; thy unction grace bestoweth;
And oh, what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth!*

*And so through all the length of days, thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house forever.*

The Holy Gospel:**John 10:11-18**

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to John.

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

Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon**The Reverend W.R. "Rusty" McCown****The Nicene Creed****BCP, p. 358**

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.

The Prayers of the People (Form III)**BCP, p. 387**

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. (*Silence*)

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

(Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.)

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem:

8:45 am: *Adonai Roi* from Memorial Service- Max Janowski

(Hebrew translation of Psalm 23)

11:00 am: *The Lord is My Shepherd* from Requiem- John Rutter (b. 1945)

The Adult Choir with Rebecca Van de Ven, oboe

Presentation Hymn: *Love's Redeeming Work is Done*

H-188, vs 1 and 3

Love's redeeming work is done, fought the fight, the battle won.

Death in vain forbids him rise; Christ has opened paradise.

Soar we now where Christ has led, following our exalted head;

Made like him, like him we rise, ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

The Great Thanksgiving – Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP, p. 361

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

...Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim

the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

S-130

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

...Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

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

The Lord's Prayer

BCP, p. 364

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, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem: Christ our Passover

S-154

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Music During Communion

He Shall Feed His Flock and *Come Unto Him* from Messiah- George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)

*We invite all who seek God, and are drawn to Christ by the Spirit, to join us at this Table.
If you are unable to come forward, please notify an usher and we will serve you in your pew.
If you need to receive a gluten-free host,
please extend hands, crossed, palms down at the communion rail.*

The Prayer after Communion

BCP, p. 365

Celebrant: 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

Recessional Hymn: Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!

H-205, 1, 3-5

*Good Christians all, rejoice and sing! Now is the triumph of our King!
To all the world glad news we bring: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

*Praise we in songs of victory that love, that life which cannot die,
And sing with hearts uplifted high: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

*Your name we bless, O Risen Lord, and sing today with one accord,
The life laid down, the life restored: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

*To God the Father, God the Son, to God the Spirit, always One,
We sing for life in us begun: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude

8:45 am: *Jesus, Our Mighty Lord*- Tucker/Monk's Gate

11:00 am: *Der Tag, der ist so freudenreich*- Johann Pachelbel

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

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The Rt. Rev. John C. Bauerschmidt, *Bishop*

The Reverend W. R. "Rusty" McCown, *Rector*

The Reverend Monna Mayhall, *Associate Rector*

The Reverend Ann Van Dervoort, *Assisting Priest, Retired*

Donna Stokes-Rogers, *Music Minister* • Rick Jackson, *Organist*

Libby Sullivan, *Children's Minister* • Kristy Moore, *Finance Manager*

Shannon Buttrey, *Parish Administrator* • Paula Sherman, *Communications Manager*

Brett. Smith, *Youth Minister*

BIRTHDAYS:

Sunday: Ken Stansberry, Spencer Dibble **Tuesday:** Laurel Aiello, Mary Emilie Acklen **Wednesday:** Dawn Riddle, Kay Heller
Thursday: Fred Warner **Friday:** Melissa Impetrice, Brooke Newell, Justin Bushnell, Bill Phelps **Saturday:** Gerard Helper, Shay Hall

ANNIVERSARIES:

Sunday: Ed and Lucy McCullough **Monday:** Ben and Susan Nance **Tuesday:** Mark and Andrea Hyssong **Wednesday:** Justin and Rebecca Pitt **Friday:** Frank and Trish Baugh

PARTICIPANTS:

	8:45 am	11:00 am
Usher:	Chris Oberholtzer	Steve Thompson
Usher:	Jim Lambert	Pat McCracken
1 st Reader:	Rick Leet	Virginia Callicott
2 nd Reader:	George Bishop	Mary Hill
Prayers:	Chris Oberholtzer	Pamela Bradley Smith
Altar Guild:	Jeannie Jones	Phyllis Thompson
Altar Guild:	*	Steve Thompson
Chalice Bearer:	Gerald Hancock	Daniel Robicheaux
Chalice Bearer:	Katie Faulkner	Chris Oberholtzer
Crucifer:	Katie Faulkner	Andy Peterson
Torch Bearer:	Sally Gray Branson	Margot Blackwelder
Torch Bearer:	Emily Williams	Juliette Blackwelder
Vestry Person of the Day:	Bruce Theobald	
Musicians:	Derek Pell, violin	
	Kent Burnside, guitar	

St. Paul's Prayer List

Susannah Pierce, Dave Berexa, Henrietta Hobdy, Alex Wilkerson, James Dickerson, Jack Honeycutt, Terry O'Donnell, Glenn Trahan, Sarah Lauricella, Robyn Painter, Jim Lauricella, Dean Bose, Eliot Williams, Bob Kinsley, Joy Craig, Scott Faulkner, Bettie Shepherd, Lois & Huba Nagy, Sarah Karpie, Bob Van Dervoort, Amanda Ryden, Jim Gray, Judy Phelps, Judy Oxford, Virginia Callicott, Sharon Collins, Walter Lampertz, Rob Miller, Bob Abstein, Suzanne Robertson, Michael, Martha, Fred, Meg and Fulton, Joe, Reed, Molly, John, Ethan, Gray, Kathy, Tamara, Meg, Veronia, Richard, Alister, Adam, Janie and Tom, Bob, Jim, Carol, Susan, Chuck, Katie, Jessica, Colton, Lynette, Bennett, John, Guy, Amanda, Duncan, JoAnn, Bailey, Ann, Sam, Duncan, Brittain and Strider, Tony, Robert, Robin, Beverly, Sam, Frank, Suzanne, Glenda, Robin, Ollie, Margo and Matt, Charlotte, Carola, Debbie, Sharlon, Tyler, Pat, Cheryl, Vivian, Asher, Evelyn, Kay, Patricia, Mackenzie, Chandler, John and Donna, Wendi, Sara, Barbara, Eleanor, Lynn, Lisa, Kristen, Benji

Military

Currently deployed: Danny, Colin, Nick, Jake, and Gray

Currently serving in the Armed Forces: Tyler, Ryan, Leelee, Michael, Drew, Lee, Emily, Larry, Pete, Zach, Daniel, Roy, and Amanda



TODAY – April 21, 2024

Holy Eucharist at 7:30, 8:45, 11:00 am & 6:00 pm

- 8:45 am & 11:00 am **Children's Chapel**
- 9:45 – 10:00 am **Biscuit Minute**
- 10:00 – 11:00 am **Seekers's Class**
- 10:00 – 11:00 am **Christian Formation for All Ages**
- 5:00 – 7:00 pm **Episcopal Youth Group (EYG)**

Special Events

OUR ANNUAL PARISH TALENT SHOW!

Wednesday, April 24th at 5:30 pm in Otey Hall – RSVP below

This year we are expanding the show to feature not only live acts, but visual and textile arts, as well. If you paint, weave, knit, tat, draw, sculpt, turn pottery, or create some other form of beauty, please consider bringing a piece with you that night, and we will display your work for everyone to enjoy. Dinner is served at 5:30 and the Live Show begins at 6:00 pm. If you can arrive by 5:00 with your item(s), we will have easels and tables in place. Call Donna Stokes-Rogers [(615) 481-5144] or email donnastokesrogers@gmail.com if you have any questions. We are still looking for live acts as well! Call Donna to be put on the set list. If you have a talent that can't be shared live, Donna can come film you, and we will create a movie as part of the intermission. Don't be shy! It is an evening full of applause, cheering, and love. We hope everyone will come for an evening full of food, music, art, and a great time. RSVP here: <https://bit.ly/49K1bjz>

Adult Christian Formation – now through mid-May

St. Paul: His Life and Writings - Perhaps no other follower of Jesus Christ has been studied more than our own namesake, St. Paul. His ministry and faithful Christian journey is a holy foundation of our faith. We will meet each **Sunday at 10:00 in Otey Parish Hall.**

Reception for the Bishop and Confirmands

The Rt. Rev. John C. Bauerschmidt's annual visit to St. Paul's is Sunday, May 5th. We will be hosting a reception in honor of the Confirmands and the Bishop in Otey Hall after the 11:00am service. Volunteers are needed to help set up, clean up, and prepare food. You can sign up here: <https://bit.ly/3W901W2>. If you have questions, please contact, Kathy Ulezelski at kathyulezelski@comcast.net or Mary Emilie Acklen at me.acklen@comcast.net.

Coffee Club

Wednesdays from 6:45-7:45 am in Barnabas

Come join the men of St. Paul's bible study with Rev. Rusty. Questions? Email rusty@stpaulsfranklin.com.

Women in Theological Studies (WITS)

Join us in Founders from 9:30-11:00 am on Thursdays (Spring Street Outreach is April 25) If you have any questions about WITS or wish to be added to our weekly reminder email, contact Monna Mayhall at monna@stpaulsfranklin.com or 615-790-0527.

St. Paul's Young Adults Group

The Young Adults will be hosting a family friendly April event on **4/27 at 2pm at the home of Brett and Josh Smith**. The Young Adults range from early 20s-mid 30s. Some of us have kids, and some of us have none! None of us are in the same

profession, but we all love to fellowship together! We invite any young adults to join us- even if you've never been to an event before! If interested, please RSVP to Ellen at 615-306-4615. Mexican food will be provided!

[Holy Hikes of Middle Tennessee](#)

Saturday, April 27th at 9:00 am – Owl Creek Park (mostly flat paved)

9751 Concord Road in Brentwood

People have asked, "What is a Holy Hike?" A Holy Hike is more like a spiritual stroll and stational Eucharist combined. It is not intended to be strenuous exercise, but rather a way to connect to the Holy One through the great outdoors. This hike will be mostly flat. For more information about this hike, contact Kathy Ulezelski at 615-512-1592 or Katie Faulkner at 334-430-4613. If you have general questions about Holy Hikes, please email Monna at monna@stpaulsfranklin.com

[Education for Ministry \(EFM\) – Open House April 30, 2024](#)

St. Paul's Education for Ministry (EfM) group will hold an open house in Damascus **Tuesday April 30th, 6:00 pm**. You're invited! EfM is an adult formation program for the laity, administered by the University of the South, that examines the bible, church history, and Christian theology. The St. Paul's group meets weekly on Tuesday evenings from 6:00-8:30 pm. For more information about the open house or the program contact Jean Larson at jam.larson@gmail.com or 847-987-6949 or Kelly Pitsenberger at pitz@bellsouth.net. Preregistration is required.

[St. Paul's Night at the Ballpark](#)

We are heading back to the ballpark again this May for some fun with your parish family! Join us **Wednesday, May 1st at First Horizon Park to watch the Nashville Sounds** take on the Norfolk Tides. The game begins at 6:35, and we will have a block of seats to enjoy the game together. Tickets are \$20 each. Please email libby@stpaulsfranklin.com by April 22nd to sign up. See you there!

[Historic Tour of the Shiloh Battlefield](#)

The Historic Committee is offering a wonderful opportunity to tour the Shiloh Battlefield with our very own Margaret Ann Horn as our tour guide on Friday, May 10th. We will tentatively leave St. Paul's around 8 am, enjoy a delicious lunch at the Catfish Hotel before exploring the nearby battlefield. We will return to St. Paul's around 5 pm. There are lodging options nearby, but if you are interested in taking a chartered van and going just for the day, the cost will be around \$115 per person and will be limited to the first 14 people to register. If you are interested in taking the van, please contact libby@stpaulsfranklin.com as soon as possible to reserve your spot!

[Parish Outreach – Love Thy Neighbor](#)

St. Paul's is beginning a partnership with United4Hope, an organization dedicated to connecting churches and public schools to help students thrive. We will be supporting a few schools in our neighborhood throughout the year, beginning with Franklin Elementary and are seeking volunteers to help with two events. For Franklin Elementary's Spring Field Day on Friday, May 10th we need 7-10 volunteers to help from 8:30 a.m. to noon and/or 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. For an end-of-school-year Teacher Appreciation event on Friday, May 24th we'll be preparing box lunches for 73 teachers the morning of May 24th. We'll have ingredients, just need help making sandwiches and assembling the meals. Volunteers need to register and attend one hour of online training over the next few weeks and a background check will be done. Once completed, volunteers can help with any future projects. If you're interested or have any questions, please contact Pat McCracken at pat@newleafpartners.com or 615-351-1113, or Laura McCown at lmccown17@gmail.com or 205-601-6959.

Announcements

[St. Paul's Docents](#)

Do you love history and meeting new people? If so, we have the perfect volunteer job for you! St. Paul's docents volunteer one or two hours on Fridays from noon to 2 pm and on certain festival days. As you probably know, folks visiting Main Street are drawn to the beauty of our beloved church and find their way into our doors to explore it further. Our docents answer questions, and share the history of St. Paul's. It's a lot of fun, and you never know who you will meet! If you are interested, email libby@stpaulsfranklin.com. There will be a training for new or returning docents on Thursday April 25th at 11 am. If you can't make it then, don't worry! You can be trained at a later date as well.

[Spring Street](#)

April 25th is bingo! We will need about 30 small prizes. We will be using the women's retreat bee themed centerpieces so if you have any items from the goodie bags you would like to pass on, they would make good prizes. We appreciate all prizes!

Small grocery or other gift cards, lotion or other self care items, laundry detergent, or even small potted plants or flowers would be great. Items can be dropped off in the basket by the church office. Thank you! If you would like more info about volunteering, sign up here: <https://bit.ly/3j5FvOl>

Or please contact: Jackie King. 914-329-3017 or momking2nd@yahoo.com

Food Pantry

We are fed 15 families last week and the pantry is really low. We need some donations! Thanks to all who contributed. We are out of: cereal, peanut butter, individual juices, snacks, mac 'n cheese, cake/brownie mix, jelly, canned chicken and tuna, canned dinners, pasta sauce, fruit cocktail. Remember we need regular size portions. Sugar-free items are always needed. We also need recyclable bags with handles. Please drop them off in front of the church front office door (there is a collection box). Thanks to all who donate!