

May 11, 2025 Holy Eucharist Rite II The Fourth Sunday of Easter 8:45 & 11:00 am

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

8:45: Come, Now is the Time to Worship-Doerkson

11:00: Jesus Loves Me- Arr. by G. Austin

Processional Hymn: Ye Holy Angels Bright

H-625

Ye holy angels bright, who wait at God's right hand, Or through the realms of light fly at your Lord's command, Assist our song, for else the theme too high doth seem for mortal tongue.

Ye blessèd souls at rest, who ran this earthly race, And now, from sin released, behold the Savior's face, God's praises sound, as in his sight with sweet delight ye do abound.

Ye saints, who toil below, adore your heavenly King, And onward as ye go some joyful anthem sing; Take what he gives and praise him still, through good and ill, who ever lives.

My soul, bear thou thy part, triumph in God above, And with a well-tuned heart sing thou the songs of love! Let all thy days till life shall end, whate'er he send, he filled with praise.

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 people sit.

The First Reading:

Acts 9:36-43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

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

Psalm 23 (8:45: Spoken in unison/11:00: Sung by Adult Choir)

BCP, p. 612

1 The LORD is my shepherd; *

I shall not be in want.

2 He makes me lie down in green pastures * and leads me beside still waters.

3 He revives my soul *

and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I shall fear no evil; *

for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; * you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.
- 6 Surely your 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:

Revelation 7:9-17

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn: Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need thy tender care; In thy pleasant pastures feed us; for our use thy folds prepare. Blessed Jesus! Blessed Jesus! Thou has bought us, thine we are.

Early let us seek thy favor, early let us learn thy will; Do thou, Lord, our only Savior, with thy love our bosoms fill. Blessed Jesus! Blessed Jesus! Thou hast loved us: love us still.

The Holy Gospel

John 10:22-30

H-708

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord. **People:** Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

St. Paul's Youth: Adam Curwen, Emma Haddon, & William Swallows

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: Written by the Youth of St. Paul's

The Leader and People pray responsively

Leader We pray for the church and its leaders. Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Leader We pray for the future of our country, for all who govern, and for our armed forces. Lord in your

mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Leader We pray that your peace is felt throughout the world. Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Leader We pray for local businesses, our schools, and our neighbors in our community. Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Leader We pray for those who struggle physically, mentally, spiritually, and emotionally. Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Leader We pray for the departed and their loved ones. Help them to find peace in the midst of their grief. Lord

in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Leader God, we thank you for all of the mother figures in our lives. Thank you for those who nurture us, are

patient with us, and comfort us. Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Leader We thank you for the things that bring us joy. Lord in your mercy,

People Hear our prayer.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, either silently or aloud. (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: My Shepherd Will Supply My Need- folk melody

11:00: My Shepherd Will Supply My Need- Don Michael Dicie

(The Adult Choir)

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 Hymnal, 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.

...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 that 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

8:45: *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring-* J. S. Bach (Emily Williams, piano)

The King of Love My Shepherd Is- St. Columba, arr. Bay

I Come With Joy-Wren

11:00: Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring- J. S. Bach (Emily Williams, piano)

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: Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim

H-535

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim, And publish abroad his wonderful name. The Name all victorious of Jesus extoll: His kingdom is glorious; he rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save; And still he is nigh: his presence we have. The great congregation his triumph will sing, Ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.

Salvation to God who sits on the throne! Let all cry aloud, and honor the Son. The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim, Fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore, and give him his right: All glory and power, all wisdom and might, And honor and blessing, with angels above, And thanks never ceasing and infinite love.

Dismissal

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

People Thanks be to God, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Postlude

8:45: In the Cross of Christ I Glory- Conkey, arr. Bay

11:00: Trumpet Tune of *Praise the Lord, Sing Hallelujah* (psalm 146)-

Larry Visser

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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 • Holli Scholz, Organist
Libby Sullivan, Children's Minister • Brett Smith, Youth Minister
Kristy Moore, Finance Manager • Shannon Buttrey, Parish Administrator

Paula Sherman, Communications Manager • Rachel Shoaf, Nursery Coordinator

The **ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God and in honor of his mother Charlotte C. Jones by Clarkson Jones.

BIRTHDAYS:

Sunday: Alex Wilkerson, Judith Walter, Ann Martin Monday: Elizabeth Morrow, Virginia Such Tuesday: Susan Nance, Mary Eloise Austin Wednesday: Bob Broenen, Jenny Kovac Thursday: Stephanie McCormick, Mickey Trailov Saturday: Sarah Butler, George Renaudin

ANNIVERSARIES:

Wednesday: Jason and Joan Bowles **Thursday:** Philip and Natalie Pratt **Friday:** Bo and Caroline Butler, Luke and Christine Pototschnik **Saturday:** Dewees and Kathy Berry

PARTICIPANTS:8:45 am11:00 amUsher:Sam BurtonBrett SmithUsher:Piper MedlinBob Larson

Usher: Chris Oberholtzer

Chalice Bearer: Kathy Ulezelski John Bennet Waters Chalice Bearer: Fletcher Robinson Katie Faulkner 1st Reader: Elizabeth Webster Hannah Lassiter 2nd Reader: Kathleen Webster Emily Williams IT Sullivan Whitfield Spain Prayers: Crucifer: Bonnie Sullivan Coleman Lassiter Torch Bearer: Deacon Medlin Whitfield Spain

Torch Bearer: JT Sullivan

Altar Guild: Karen Garfield Phyllis Thompson
Altar Guild: * Steve Thompson

Vestry Person of the Day: Jim Miller

Musicians: Emily Williams, piano Emily Williams, piano

Kent Burnside, guitar & Derek Pell, violin

St. Paul's Prayer List

Susannah Pierce, Dave Berexa, Henrietta Hobdy, Alex Wilkerson, Jack Honeycutt, Terry O'Donnell, Glenn Trahan, Sarah Lauricella, Robyn Painter, Jim Lauricella, Eliot Williams, Joy Craig, Lois Nagy, Jim Gray, Judy Phelps, Virginia Callicott, Sharon Collins, John Nickerson, Phyllis Gray, Sharon Crumpton, Mary Suttle, John Looney, Andy McKinley, Kathy Miller, Cheryl Russell, Celia Skaggs, Bob Van Dervoort, Iain Macpherson, April Wellikoff, George Gibson, Will Boggs, Marty Ligon, Terry Cross, Kathy Germain, Patti Rodocker, Cassy, Sam, Griffin, Michael, Martha, Fred, Meg and Fulton, Reed, Gray, Kathy, Tamara, Meg, Veronia, Richard, Janie and Tom, Bob, Jim, Carol, Susan, Katie, Colton, Lynette, Bennett, John, Guy, JoAnn, Linda, Brittain and Strider, Beverly, Robin, Debbie, Pat, Kay, Mackenzie, Sara, Benji, Sam, Brad, Victoria, Michael, Stanton, Candace, Kortnie, Jack, Wendi and Steve, David, Sara, Jim, Mickey, Bill, Leda, Lance, Scott and Donna, Bill, Garett, Ron, Tevis, Elizabeth, Ellie, Jenn, David, and Elizabeth

Military

Currently deployed: Danny, Nick, Billy, and Jacob

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



TODAY – May 11, 2025

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

9:45 -10:00Biscuit Minute in Founders Hall10:00Christian Formation Only Adults10:00Youth Reception Breakfast in Barnabas12:00-12:15Coffee Minute in Founders Hall

NO Episcopal Youth Group – see you next week!

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

"News From the Pews"



Including: Building Updates and exciting photos, Food Pantry List, a full Calendar, and so much more!

Our Food Pantry is empty, please consider donating.

Capital Campaign 2025 Update

Thank you to everyone who has donated towards our Capital Campaign! We are receiving more donations almost daily and only \$36,000 short! We are very close to our goal and if you would still like to donate, every dollar counts! You can pledge to the campaign by filling out the form sent in the mail or through the website:

https://www.stpaulsfranklin.com/capital-campaign-2025/Christian

Formation Classes • Sundays • 10:00 \$854,176

Adult Formation • Founders Hall • Today

Join us as we continue to explore "The Acts of the Apostles" and what the 5th book of the New Testament can tell us about our own faith journeys. Facilitated by Jean Larson

Churchwide Events

Summer Schedule • Begins Sun, May 25

Starting Sunday, May 25th, we will switch to the Summer Sunday Schedule:

8:00 AM 10:00 AM 6:00 PM

Bishop's Visit and Confirmation Reception • Sun, May 25

The Rt. Rev. John C. Bauerschmidt's annual visit to St. Paul's is Sunday, May 25th. We will be hosting a reception in honor of the Confirmands and the Bishop in the backyard of the Rectory after the 10:00 am service. Volunteers are needed to help set up, clean up, and prepare food. You can sign up here:

https://bit.ly/BishopsReception2025. We also need volunteers to help carry chairs for the event, please sign up here: https://bit.ly/BishopReceptionChairVolunteers. If you have questions, please contact Melissa Montero at 4melissamontero@gmail.com. The loose offering taken during the Bishop's visit will be for the Bishop's Discretionary Fund.

Youth Sunday • May 11 • 8:45 and 11:00 services

As always, Mother's Day is also Youth Sunday! Both morning services will be lead by our youth, from readers and ushers to the sermon! Join us in between services for a Youth Breakfast from 10:00 - 11:00 AM in the Barnabas Lounge with a special time to celebrate our Seniors!

Parish Life

Upcoming Episcopal Youth Group (EYG) Events

End of the Year Party * Sunday, May 18 * 5 – 7 PM * Chestnut Bend Pool: Wear a bathing suit and a coverup you can run in! We'll play water capture the flag and then enjoy the pool!

Middle School Hiking Day Trip * June 18 * 9 AM – 5:30 PM: Rising 7th and 8th graders, let's take a hiking trip! We'll swim in a swimming hole and see some waterfalls! Registration and details can be found at bit.ly/EYGmiddle. Register by May 27!

High School White Water Rafting Trip * July 31 – Aug 1: Rising 9th - 12th graders who would like to go on a white water rafting trip this summer, please **fill out this interest form by May 13!** bit.ly/EYGinterest

EYG: Summer Edition* Sundays * 4 – 5:30 PM EYG: Summer Edition returns with ice cream meet-ups, movie nights, and more throughout the summer! Save the dates: June 22, 29 & July 6, 27. Rising 6th graders will be invited to join our events beginning in August!

Mountain TOP Training Day • May 18 • 12-1:30 • Barnabas Lounge

Lunch will be provided! These trainings are required for everyone attending, even if you have been to MTOP previously. Payment and medical forms will be due at our May 18 meeting. Our final training day is June 8 from 12 – 2.

Young Adults

All college students and young adults in their 20s and 30s are welcome to join us for any of our meet-ups! Email brett@stpaulsfranklin.com to be added to our GroupMe!

Women In Theological Studies • Thursdays • Barnabas • 9:30-11:00

The Bible records several post-resurrection appearances of Jesus to individuals and to groups of people including his disciples. During these few weeks after Easter, WITS will spend some time exploring the accounts of Jesus' appearances after his resurrection and before his Ascension. Come join us on Thursdays. These are the dates for WITS for this study series:

May 15 and 29

May 22 – NO WITS (Spring Street)

If you have any questions, please contact Monna Mayhall at monna@stpaulsfranklin.com or 615-790-0527.

Coffee Club • Wednesdays • Barnabas • 6:45 am

The men's Coffee Club meets on Wednesday mornings at 6:45 am in the Barnabas Conference Room to discuss the upcoming Sunday's gospel. All men of the parish are invited. We look forward to seeing you.

Grief Support Group • Wed, May 21 • 9-10 am • Barnabas

Grief of any kind can feel very lonely, even when you have loved ones around. Sharing your sorrow with others who have experienced similar losses can help. The pain of grief can often cause you to want to withdraw from others and retreat into your shell. But having the face-to-face support of other people is vital to healing from loss. The key is not to isolate yourself. St. Paul's offers a morning Grief Support Group on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays. Questions: Contact Monna Mayhall at monna@stpaulsfranklin.com

Social Graces • Tues, May 13 • 11:30 • Barnabas

Join us for our next Social Graces event: Lunch and Program

(11:30 am – Catered Lunch & 12:00 noon – 1:00 pm Program on Brain Health and Dementia): 10 Ways to Love your Brain & 10 Warning Signs of Dementia Program is offered by Tiffany Cloud-Mann with AgeWell Middle Tn. Tiffany will answer questions on these topics, as well as share the resources at AgeWell Middle Tn for older adults and caregivers.

Women of St. Paul's (WSP) Social • Fri, May 30 • 6:00

The next WSP Social is on Friday, May 30th at Cindy Thomsen's home, 317 Breckinridge Road, Franklin, 37067. Please bring a snack or a beverage of choice. We look forward to seeing you!

Week of Wonder Prep Days • June 2 & 3 • 9:00 – 1:00 • Barnabas

St. Paul's Week of Wonder is coming up on June 9th, and the planning team is looking for some helpers to create some set and crafts ahead of time. We are hosting two Prep Days June 2nd and 3rd from 9 am until 1 pm in the Middle Room of Barnabas. We will build a portable set, prepare decorations, share some snacks and laughs while we get everything ready to go for a great Week of Wonder! Whether you plan to join us or you are willing to work on some cut-out projects at home, email libby@stpaulsfranklin.com.

Vacation Bible School • Save the Date • June 9-12 • 9:00-12:00

Save the Date for St. Paul's Week of Wonder at Jim Warren Park! We will gather to play, sing, and share stories in God's Creation at the covered pavilion. The whole church is invited to a potluck dinner and celebration on Thursday, June 12th from 5:30-7. We hope to see you there!

Outreach

Love Thy Neighbor • Fri, May 9 • 8:15am – 12pm & 12:45-3:30

Spring is here and it's time to support Franklin Elementary School's end-of-school-year Field Day! We're seeking volunteers. The morning session is for kindergarten and 1st graders; the afternoon session is for 2nd, 3rd and 4th graders. In case of rain, Field Day will be moved to Monday, May 12th. Volunteers need to register for and attend one hour of online training over the next few weeks and a background check is required for a small fee which can be reimbursed. If you're interested or have any questions, please contact Pat McCracken at pat@newleafpartners.com or 615-351-1113.

Birthday Outreach Ministry • 2nd Tuesday of Every Month • May 13

If you like a party, and if you have a heart for visiting people, then we have an opportunity for you that combines the two. On the 2nd Tuesday of every month, join with parishioners to visit Charter Senior Living of Franklin, to celebrate the birthdays of the Charter residents for that month. We will plan to meet there from 12:40 pm -1:30 pm giving us a chance to visit with residents, and eat cake too! Interested? Contact Monna at monna@stpaulsfranklin.com or 615-790-0527.

Spring Street

Our final Spring Street until September will be held on May 22 in Barnabas. We will have live music, and the Men of St. Paul's will be grilling hamburgers and hot dogs. We will take a group photo at about 10:45, and I encourage all volunteers to join us as we celebrate a year of friendship, food, fun, (and flexibility)! Here is the sign up link: https://bit.ly/spring-street-05-2025