



August 2, 2026
The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Eucharist Rite II
10:00 am
THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude: *How Great Thou Art*- Hine

Processional Hymn: *I Come With Joy to Meet My Lord* **H-304**
*I come with joy to meet my Lord, forgiven, loved, and free,
In awe and wonder to recall his life laid down for me.*

*I come with Christians far and near to find as all are fed,
The new community of love in Christ's communion bread.*

*As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud division ends.
That love that made us makes us one, and strangers now are friends.*

*And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His presence, always near,
Is in such friendship better known: we see and praise him here.*

*Together me, together bound, we'll go our different ways,
And as his people in the world we'll live and speak his praise.*

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. **BCP, p. 355**
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant Almighty God, to you... Through Christ our Lord
People **Amen.**

Hymn of Praise: *All Creatures of our God and King* **H-400, vs 1**
*All creatures of our God and King,
Lift up your voices, let us sing: Alleluia, Alleluia!
Bright burning sun with golden beams,
Pale silver moon that gently gleams,
O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Reading:**Genesis 32:22-31**

The same night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 17:1-7, 16 (*Spoken responsively by whole verse.*)**BCP, p. 600**

1 Hear my plea of innocence, O LORD; give heed to my cry; *
listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.

**2 Let my vindication come forth from your presence; *
let your eyes be fixed on justice.**

3 Weigh my heart, summon me by night, *
melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.

**4 I give no offense with my mouth as others do; *
I have heeded the words of your lips.**

5 My footsteps hold fast to the ways of your law; *
in your paths my feet shall not stumble.

**6 I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me; *
incline your ear to me and hear my words.**

7 Show me your marvelous loving-kindness, *
O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand
from those who rise up against them.

**16 But at my vindication I shall see your face; *
when I awake, I shall be satisfied, beholding your likeness.**

The Second Reading:**Romans 9:1-5**

I am speaking the truth in Christ-- I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit-- I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn: Open Your Ears, O Faithful People

H-536 , vs 1 and 2

*Open your ears, O faithful people,
Open your ears and bear God's word.
Open your hearts, O royal priesthood,
God has come to you.*

Refrain:

*God has spoken to his people, Hallelujah!
And his words are words of wisdom, Hallelujah! (Hallelujah!)
God has spoken to his people, Hallelujah!
And his words are words of wisdom, Hallelujah!*

*They who have ears to hear the message,
They who have ears, then let them hear.
They who would learn the way of wisdom,
Let them hear God's word. Refrain*

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 14:13-21

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

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

Jesus withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Reverend Monna Mayhall

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 VI

BCP, p. 392

Leader: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. For all people in their daily life and work;

People: **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Leader: For this community, the nation, and the world;

People: **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Leader: For the just and proper use of your creation;

People: **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Leader: For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People: **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Leader: For the peace and unity of the Church of God
People: **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**
 Leader: For all bishops and other ministers.
People: **For all who serve God in his Church.**
 Leader: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. Hear us Lord;
People: **For your mercy is great.**
 Leader: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life... We will exalt you, O God our King;
People: **And praise your name forever and ever.**
 Leader: We pray for all who have died; that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. Lord, let your loving kindness be upon them;
People: **Who put their trust in you.**

Confession

Leader: We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.
 All: **Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father, in your compassion, forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit, that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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

Great is Thy Faithfulness- Chisholm and Runyan (Dylan Rhea, soloist)

Presentation Hymn: O Worship the King

H-388, vs 1 and 5

*O worship the King, all glorious above!
 O gratefully sing his power and his love!
 Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,
 Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.
 Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
 In thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;
 Thy mercies how tender! How firm to the end!
 Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!*

The Great Thanksgiving – Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP, p. 367

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

Rick Jackson

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.
 Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
 Hosanna in the highest.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna in the highest.*

...Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

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 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*

Rick Jackson

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Music During Communion

All Who are Thirsty- Brown and Robertson

I Am the Bread of Life- Toolan

Have Thine Own Way, Lord- Stebbins, arr. Duncan

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. 366

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Recessional: Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

H-690

*Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy powerful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
Feed me now and evermore, feed me now and evermore.*

*Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through.
Strong Deliverer, strong deliverer,
Be thou still my strength and shield, be thou still my strength and shield.*

*When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside.
Death of death, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side.
Songs of praises, songs of praises,
I will ever sing to thee, I will ever sing to you.*

Dismissal

<i>Celebrant</i>	Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People	Thanks be to God.

Postlude: Triumph By and By- Palmer, arr. Duncan

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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*

Maggie Gilchrist, *Nursery Coordinator* • Ashley Anderson, *Youth Intern*

Kristy Moore, *Finance Manager* • Shannon Buttrey, *Parish Administrator*

Paula Sherman, *Communications Manager*

BIRTHDAYS:

Sunday: Emily Nance, Robert Hennes **Monday:** Mary Elizabeth Morreale, Marcia Wilkinson **Tuesday:** Fred Ladebauche, Fran Osteen, Eduard Robinson, Connie Senseney **Thursday:** Griffin Horne **Friday:** Kathy Ulezelski, Gail Griffin, Fiona Wieman, Michael Aldrich **Saturday:** Lisa Whitten, Pam Leet

ANNIVERSARIES:

Sunday: Phil and Annette Scharre, Mark and Cindy Tumblin **Monday:** Len and Julie Reinhardt **Tuesday:** Richard and Nancy Boring, Jay and Pam Fahey **Wednesday:** Rick and Chandler Miniatt, Devon and Billy Anderson **Friday:** Christopher and Angela Lassiter **Saturday:** David and Darlene Odgers

PARTICIPANTS:

Ushers:	Barb and Dave Roth
1 st Reading:	Judi Culver
2 nd Reading:	Rick Leet
Prayers:	Chris Oberholtzer
Chalice Bearer:	John Bennet Waters
Chalice Bearer:	Daniel Alvarado
Crucifer:	Susan Miller
Torch Bearers:	Oliver Werner and Sally Gray Branson
Altar Guild:	Laura McCown and Karen Montefiori
Vestry Person of the Day:	Melissa Montero
Musicians:	Kent Burnside, guitar and Derek Pell, violin

St. Paul's Prayer List

Susannah Pierce, Dave Berexa, Jack Honeycutt, Terry O'Donnell, Glenn Trahan, Robyn Painter, Eliot Williams, Joy Craig, Jim Gray, Phyllis Gray, Virginia Callicott, Sharon Collins, Mary Suttle, John Looney, Bob Van Dervoort, Terry Cross, Elmer White, Inez Rice, Darrell Harris, Mary Hill, Connie Trahan, Dee Rainey, Doug Little, Ellen Kirk, Jess and Dorothy Fitzpatrick, Cindy Painter, George Gibson, George Bishop, Sue Richardson, Sam, Griffin, Michael, Martha, Meg and Fulton, Reed, Meg, Bob, Susan, Katie, Lynette, Bennett, John, Guy, JoAnn, Linda, Brittain and Strider, Beverly, Robin, Debbie, Pat, Kay, Benji, Victoria, Wendi and Steve, David, Sara, Bill, Lance, Scott and Donna, Jenn, Madelinn, Mike, Cheryl, Theresa, Tim, Janelle, Tom, Rhoda, Bob and Gloria, Gary, Randy, Linda, Sue, Oliver, Emron, Wells and the Warren family, Mimi, Steve, Felicia, Kim, Paul, John, Marianne, Sheryl, Shannon, Chris, Sam and Shirley, Tommy and Sue, Noah

Military

Currently deployed: Danny, Nick, Billy, Jacob, Roy, Nicholas, Daniel, and Chris

Currently serving in the Armed Forces: Tyler, Leelee, Michael, Drew, Lee, Emily, Larry, Zach, Jake, William, and Adria



TODAY – August 2, 2026

Holy Eucharist at 8:00 am, 10:00 am & 6:00 pm

10:00-11:00
2:00

Lemonade in the Shade in the Front Courtyard
EpicklePalians Pickleball at Cottonwood

Churchwide Events

Bluegrass and Stained Glass and Lemonade in the Shade

Save the date for **Bluegrass and Stained Glass** at the 10:00 a.m. service: August 9. Also, join us this summer for **Lemonade in the Shade** after the 10:00 am service in the Main St. Courtyard. **Rite I Eucharist** at 8:00 am: August 2.

Parish Life

Living in My Skin with Donna • Tues, Aug 4 • 10:00-12:00 • Otey Hall

Skincare and Makeup for the Mature Diva in us all! Join Donna Stokes-Rogers for a candid conversation about all the wonderful aspects of being comfortable in our older skin. Makeup and Skincare demos. Coffee, cake, and Give-Aways! Come and try something new!

Men's Annual BBQ Meeting • Wed, Aug 5 • 6:00 PM • Otey Hall

The Men's Annual BBQ is scheduled for Sat, Oct 3! This event funds all our outreach activities. So far this year, we have cooked for Church in the Yard, Freedom Reigns, Davis House, Boys and Girls Clubs, Two Hands and other local organizations. Please join us for our BBQ meeting if you are planning to help this year or want to learn about the event! Please contact Marty Karpie martykarpie@gmail.com or Jim Miller james.e.miller63@gmail.com for more information! If you would like to take part in our regular outreach cooks, please contact Marty or Fred Warner fredhwarner@gmail.com

Grief Support Group • Wed, Aug 5 & 19 • 10-11:00 am • Founders Hall

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 key is not to isolate yourself. St. Paul's offers a morning Grief Support Group on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays. Please note the new meeting space. Questions: Contact Monna Mayhall at monna@stpaulsfranklin.com

Birthday Outreach Ministry • 2nd Tuesday of Every Month • Aug 11

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. We plan to meet there from 12:40 pm -1:30 pm, giving us a chance to visit with residents and eat cake, too! Interested? Location: Charter Senior Living (105 Sunrise Circle, Franklin). Contact Monna at monna@stpaulsfranklin.com or 615-790-0527.

Art Day Out • Fri, Aug 14 • Meet at Frist Art Museum at 11:00

Join us for Art Day Out at the Frist Art Museum. Anyone who wants to carpool from the church can meet in the parking lot behind Barnabas at 10:15 am. We will have lunch at the Museum Café as soon as we arrive. Call Donna Stokes-Rogers for more info (615-481-5144). Tickets: Adults \$20, Seniors \$16, Frist Members are free

Acolyte Training • Sun, Aug 16 • 11:00 am

Calling on all our young people, your church needs you! If you are a fourth grader or up, we would love for you to become an acolyte at St. Paul's. Being an acolyte is a lot of fun and a big help during worship. If you are interested in learning more, please come to the Acolyte Training session in the church on Sun, Aug 16, after the 10:00 am service. This training for ALL acolytes, both new and seasoned. We hope to see you there. If you have any questions, please contact Rusty (rusty@stpaulsfranklin.com).

Cookbook Meeting – Recipe Testers Needed • Wed, Aug 19 • 1:00

We had a wonderful and bountiful meeting in July testing more of your delicious submissions for our upcoming church cookbook! Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 19, at 1:00 PM in Otey Hall. We are still very much in need of both recipe testers (to whip them up at home) and tasters (to enjoy them with us). If you would like to help bring this cookbook to life, please contact us at stpaulscook@gmail.com to get a recipe to try. We hope to see you there!

Compline • 4th Tues of the Month • Aug 25 • 8:15 PM • Founders Hall

Compline will be offered monthly. All are welcome - No RSVP needed. Simply bring your Book of Common Prayer (+ your Bible, if you wish) & enjoy sharing this peaceful service at the close of the evening with fellow participants. Contact Ann Denson if questions: densonannm@gmail.com

Women of St. Paul's • Dates to Remember

Don't forget the **Labor Day Bazaar, September 4 and September 5** - Save your items. We will begin collecting items Sunday morning, August 30, and will collect donated items August 31 - September 2.

2026 Christmas Tea - December 12! We will have two seatings as has been done in previous years. We will announce ticket sales a little closer to the event. If you have questions, don't hesitate to get in touch with anyone on the WSP Board.

Women In Theological Studies (WITS) • Thursdays • Resumes Sept 10

August – WITS will not meet this month

Youth

Youth River Float • Sun, Aug 30 • 11:30-3:30 • Meet at Barnabas

Bring a friend and a brown bag lunch and spend the afternoon floating down the Duck River for \$20/person! Sign up here by August 23: <https://bit.ly/SPYouthEvent>

Outreach

Cookie Ministry

Calling all bakers and deliverers! Love Thy Neighbor is coordinating another Cookie Ministry delivery day where homemade cookies are packaged and delivered to non-profits, first responders, school staff, and emergency rooms in our community as a thank you. **Sun, Aug 2** - Volunteers bring cookies and leave them in Otey Kitchen with name attached and number of cookies provided. **Mon, Aug 3** – 10:00 in Otey Hall, Volunteers package then deliver cookies to a provided list of recipients. POC: Laura McCown 205-601-6959. See SUG for details and to sign-up to bake or deliver cookies: <https://bit.ly/CookieMinistry2026>

Outreach Opportunity • Summer Food Bags

During the summer St. Paul's is providing food bags for children, to help fill the nutritional gap that school meal programs fill - Our last Sunday will be August 2nd. Come join us today from 8:50 - 9:20 am in Otey Hall to help pack food bags. The 120 bags will be delivered to the Community Center either that day or on the following Monday. Here are ways you can help:

- Pack bags on Sunday morning
- Deliver to Community Center on Natchez Street (either Sunday or Monday morning). If you have any questions, contact Monna Mayhall at monna@stpaulsfranklin.com or 615-790-0527.

Alive Hospice's Cam Forget-Me-Not • Weekend of Aug 14 & 15

Love Thy Neighbor will be helping with Alive Hospice's Cam Forget-Me-Not. This annual overnight grief camp is for any child, ages 8-17, who has experienced the death of someone significant in his or her life. Camp Forget-Me-Not takes place at Camp Widjiwagan, which is located on 320 beautiful acres next to Percy Priest Lake just outside Nashville. We will need help preparing, transporting and serving meals for the young people in attendance, so please hold the dates and let us know if you are able and willing to help.

POC: Pat McCracken, 615-351-1113.

Announcements

Women of St. Paul's Annual Mum Sale

The Women of St. Paul's Fall Mum Sale will begin on Sunday, August 2nd through Wednesday, August 26th. The cost is \$25 per basket. Look for order forms soon. Order forms will also be available online. Pick up will be September 12th between 12:00-1:00 pm. Proceeds from this sale will help offset the cost of the annual women's retreat.

Education for Ministry (EFM) – Registration 2026

St. Paul's EfM (Education for Ministry) seminar group will resume in September but now is the time to register for the upcoming year. Our group meets weekly on Tuesday evenings from 6:00-8:00 pm. 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. As the EfM website states, the program is built around five core practices: Living in Community, Prayer and Worship, Theological Reflection (TR), Study, and Lay Vocational Discernment. For more information contact Jean Larson at jam.larson@gmail.com or 847-987-6949, or Kelly Pitsenberger at pitz@bellsouth.net.

Hospitality Committee • Volunteers Needed

Do you like to cook? Do you know your way around a kitchen? Or, do you want to learn? Contact Melissa Montero (4melissamontero@gmail.com) if you'd like to consider joining our Hospitality Committee. More to come!

Biscuit Minute/Lemonade in the Shade • Volunteers Needed

Volunteers needed to help with Lemonade in the Shade and upcoming Biscuit Minute! We need help setting up, putting food out, and cleaning up. Contact Donna Stokes-Rogers at donnastokesrogers@gmail.com if interested.

Serve Together in Worship • Volunteer Opportunities

Worship is a collective offering, and we invite you to share your unique gifts within our community. Essential volunteer ministries include Chalice Bearers, Readers, Ushers, Altar Guild, and Choir. No experience is necessary because full training is provided for most roles. To learn more or sign up, please contact Shannon at shannon@stpaulsfranklin.com.

Stephen Ministry

There are periods when one feels empty or broken-hearted, or times when there are too many questions and not enough answers. The help of a Stephen Minister may be part of the answer. We are not the solution, but we can be the sounding board for your inner thoughts and search for direction. We can walk with you in search for answers. If interested, please contact Monna Mayhall at 615-618-2276 or Carol Waters at 615-364-3405.