



**St. Paul's Episcopal Church,
Rock Creek Parish
Diocese of Washington**



**FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT
Daily Morning Prayer Rite Two
Sunday, February 21, 2021**

Join via Zoom <https://zoom.us/j/550879335>

Passcode: 807401

The Officiant begins and says

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins

People: His mercy endures for ever.

The Decalogue *(kneeling)*

Hear the commandments of God to his people: I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage. You shall have no other gods but me.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not make for yourself any idol.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Honor your father and your mother.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit murder.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit adultery.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not steal.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not be a false witness.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1:8, 9*

Minister and People

Confession of Sin

The Officiant says to the people

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Officiant and People together

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest alone says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant: Lord, open our lips.

People: **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The people join in the antiphon before the Invitatory

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: Come let us adore him.

Jubilate

Psalm 100

Sung by the Cantor

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; *
he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise; *
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

For the Lord is good;
his mercy is everlasting; *
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

The people repeat the antiphon after the Invitatory

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: Come let us adore him.

Psalm 25:1-9

Sung by the Cantor

1. **T**o you, O LORD, I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my trust in you; *
let me not be humiliated,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.
2. Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
3. Show me your ways, O LORD, *
and teach me your paths.
4. Lead me in your truth and teach me, *
for you are the God of my salvation;
in you have I trusted all the day long.
5. Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.
6. Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
remember me according to your love
and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.
7. Gracious and upright is the LORD; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
8. He guides the humble in doing right *
and teaches his way to the lowly.
9. All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness *
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson:

Genesis 9:8-17

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Second Lesson:

1 Peter 3:18-22

Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sung by the Cantor

1 Lord, who through-out these for - ty days for us didst fast and pray,
 2 As thou with Sa - tan didst con - tend, and didst the vic - to - ry win,
 3 As thou didst hun - ger bear and thirst, so teach us, gra - cious Lord,
 4 And through these days of pen - i - tence, and through thy Pas - sion - tide,
 5 A - bide with us, that so, this life of suf - fering o - ver - past,

1 teach us with thee to mourn our sins, and close by thee to stay.
 2 O give us strength in thee to fight, in thee to con - quer sin.
 3 to die to self, and chief - ly live by thy most ho - ly word.
 4 yea, ev - er - more, in life and death, Je - sus! with us a - bide.
 5 an Eas - ter of un - end - ing joy we may at - tain at last!

Words: Claudia Frances Hernaman (1838-1898) Music: *St. Flavian*, melody from *Day's Psalter*, 1562; adapt. and harm. Richard Redhead (1820-1901)

The Gospel Lesson:

Mark 1:9-15

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." And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Apostles' Creed

Officiant and People together

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;
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.
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. Amen.

The Prayers

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Officiant: Let us pray.

The Lord's Prayer

Officiant and People together

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.

Suffrage A

Leader: Show us your mercy, O Lord;

All: And grant us your salvation.

Leader: Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

All: Let your people sing with joy.

Leader: Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

All: For only in you can we live in safety.

Leader: Lord, keep this nation under your care;

All: And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

Leader: Let your way be known upon earth;

All: Your saving health among all nations.

Leader: Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

All: Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

Leader: Create in us clean hearts, O God;

All: And sustain us by your Holy Spirit.

The Prayers of the People

Form VI

The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

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

Let us pray for **Joe**, our President, the **Congress of the United States**, the **Supreme Court**, **Muriel**, our Mayor; and for this community, the nation, and the world.

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

We pray for the sick and suffering of our parish, including : [**Virginia Keane, Jean Ringuette, Joan Williams, Paula S.F. Marshall, and Susannah Cernojevich**]. Let us pray for all others whose health and well being have been entrusted to our prayers, including: [**Sarah Woodbury, Bezelle Thomas, Bessie Mann, Marla Jones, Raven Taylor and family, Jeff Wilkerson, Ashley Walker and family, Bernard Walker, Beverly Taylor, Rosemary Nabor, Louise Cade, Kathy Mahoney and family, Andrea Rodgers, Jeannette Brownson and family, Booker Diggins, III, Joy Warde, Tiffany Fleming-Withrow, Evelyn Clay, Kathy Butler, Michael Mann, Al Moffet, Dave Morentz, William Bailey, Lauvinia Alston, Joetta Chaplin, and Mark Firley**]. Let us pray for all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

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

In the Anglican Communion, pray for **Justin**, the Archbishop of Canterbury, and for The Church of the Province of Central Africa. Pray for The Episcopal Church in Cuba, Church of Santa Maria, and **The Rev. Yordanis Acosta**, Rector. **In the diocese**, pray for Chapel of the Episcopal Center for Children; and Rosemont Center. For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Let us pray for **Michael**, our Presiding Bishop; **Mariann**, our Bishop; **Chilton**, our Assisting Bishop; **Allan** and **Douglas**, our priests; all who minister here at St. Paul's; and all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in His church.

For the special needs of this congregation.

Silence

The people may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord:

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Collect for Sundays

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Prayer for Mission

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. **Amen.**

A prayer for the Holy Spirit presence among God's people

God of all power and love, we give thanks for your unfailing presence and the hope you provide in times of uncertainty and loss. Send your Holy Spirit to enkindle in us your holy fire. Revive us to live as Christ's body in the world: a people who pray, worship, learn, break bread, share life, heal neighbors, bear good news, seek justice, rest and grow in the Spirit. Wherever and however we gather, unite us in common prayer and send us in common mission, that we and the whole creation might be restored and renewed, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A prayer for the world

God of love and hope, you made the world and care for all creation, and yet the world feels strange right now. The news is full of stories about Coronavirus: many are anxious because of it; many are anxious they might become ill; many are anxious about their family and friends; and many are anxious about their parents, their children, their jobs and their security. Be with us in our worries and help us to find some peace. We pray for

the doctors, nurses, and scientists who are working to discover the right medicines to give hope to those who are ill. Thank you that even in these strange and worrying times, you are with us. Help us to look for the signs of your goodness and love towards us, and keep our hearts always in your love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

For those who are ill

Merciful God, we entrust to your unfailing and tender care, those who are ill or in pain, knowing whenever danger threatens, your everlasting arms are there to hold us safe. Comfort and heal them, and restore them to health and strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

For hospital staff and medical researchers

Gracious God, give skill, sympathy and resilience to all who are caring for the sick, and your wisdom to those searching for a cure. Strengthen them with your Spirit, that through their work many will be restored to health; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayers when we cannot receive Holy Communion

Lord Jesus, I believe you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart so I may welcome your presence with joy. I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you. Let me never be separated from you. **Amen.**

Offertory

Officiant: Walk in love as Christ loved us and by whose death on the cross showed us the way to eternal life



Please consider making your contribution to St. Paul's Saints' via our online giving portal at <https://www.stpaulsrockcreek.org/give-online/>. Due to the pandemic and our inability to gather in person, we experienced a shortfall in plate giving in 2020 pledge giving. Your gift provides support for our worship, ministries, and programs. Thank you for worshipping, sharing and, prayerfully supporting the life and ministries here at St. Paul's.

You may also support the mission and ministry of this parish by going to your Realm account and selecting "Giving."

The General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People together

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,

by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Officiant concludes with the following

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Welcome to St. Paul's Episcopal Church

A WARM WELCOME TO ALL GUESTS AND VISITORS WORSHIPING WITH US THIS MORNING!! Please take the time to fill out a welcome card and join us for Coffee Hour immediately following the service. Fellowship is an important part of our Christian life and we look forward to seeing you.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

March 8th

Finance Committee Meeting, Zoom @6 PM

March 16th

Vestry Meeting, Zoom @7 PM

March 28th

Palm Sunday

Lenten Challenge to St. Paul's Members: Fr. Douglas has challenged the congregation with the following:

The Ash Wednesday Liturgy that began our Lenten journey calls on the Lord to "Accept our repentance for our blindness to human need and suffering, and our indifference to injustice and cruelty." In the spirit of repentance and in generosity to our neighbors in need, we invite you to offer support for both our immediate neighbors and our distant neighbors.

This year's contribution goal of \$2500 will again support the St. Paul's ministry partnership with the Capital Area Food Bank and the migrant ministry of the Church of the Holy Ghost, Genoa, Italy.

We invite your contributions at: <https://www.stpaulsrockcreek.org/give-online/>

WORSHIP SCHEDULE & CALENDAR

Birthdays and Anniversaries

February 2021

Birthdays

Quintina Hampton 5th

Benjamin Johnson-Bailey 8th

Kayla Robinson 8th

Chandra Lewis 17th

Cameron Young 18th

Lauren Howie 20th

Sierra Grimsley 25th

Paula Marshall 27th

Anniversaries

ASSISTING AT THE SERVICE TODAY

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

8:00 a.m.....10:30 a.m.

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LECTORS

Old Testament

George Gordon Lauren Olson

Epistle

Iris Snowden..... Jeremy Roither

Prayers of the People

Barbara Walker Royan Miller-Morgan



Mission Statement

To be one family in Christ using our gifts and resources; and to respond to the spiritual, social and human needs of our parish and community.

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