

The Episcopal Parish of St. Paul
Duluth, Minnesota

The Fifth Sunday of Easter
Holy Eucharist
May 18, 2025
10:00 am

Please join us for a special celebration of St. Paul's high school graduates
in the Parish Hall after this service.
Sign the cards for each graduate and enjoy a piece of cake.



Welcome to St. Paul's Episcopal Church

I'm New

Welcome! If you would like to stay in touch, please fill out a visitor card in the pew and place it in the offering plate after the announcements.

About Our Worship Today

Worship in the Episcopal Church is participatory and embodied. We stand and kneel, make the sign of the cross at times, sing and breathe together, and walk forward for communion each week. You are welcome to participate at your own comfort level. You will likely see people engaging differently at different times. One of the gifts of the Episcopal tradition is that there are a variety of 'right' ways to participate.

Restrooms

Exit at the side door at the front of the church and go down the hall. They are the first and second doors on the left side of the hallway.

What do I do?

This service booklet will give you the words you need and instructions. The words in **bold** print are said by everyone. Hymns can be found either in this booklet or in the blue or green hymnals in your pew.

May I have communion?

Yes. All may come forward to receive communion (or the Eucharist.) No one is required to receive. We are serving both bread and wine. You may choose to receive at your own comfort level, both bread and wine or just bread. You may also come forward with your arms crossed over your chest for a blessing, or you may choose not to come forward at all. Children may receive at any age.

Worshiping with Kids

Joyful noise is most welcome here. Many families find that sitting close to the front helps children to see and engage better with the service. There is a staffed nursery located down the hall. We also have a rocking chair in the back of church for parents with infants. Children aged three through fifth grade are invited to Children's Church after the opening prayer.

About St. Paul's

We are a community dedicated to following the Way of Love as shown to us by the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus of Nazareth. Together we practice curiosity, awe, and community to love God, love our neighbors, and love ourselves.

The Liturgical Season

In the Episcopal Church, we follow a circular calendar with special seasons. We are currently in the season of Easter, which lasts seven Sundays or 50 days. During this season we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus, the appearances to his disciples, and God's power to conquer death and domination with love.

Weekly Service Schedule

Sundays

8:00 am

Rite I

10:00 am

Rite II

Wednesdays (until May 21)

5:15 pm

Rite II

Stay in Touch

Find out more about St. Paul's or get connected with one of our leaders by emailing Rita in the parish office at office@stpaulsduluth.org.

Processional Hymn #180 — *He Is Risen, He Is Risen*

Easter Acclamation

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Opening Collect

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Children remain in church for Graduate Sunday to hear their peers speak.

Gloria

Choir:

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All:

Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God. Pow-er and rich-es and wis-dom and strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo-ry are his.

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the hymn of all cre - a tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev-er. A - men.

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has be-gun his reign. Al - le - lu-ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray... *(Pause for silent prayer)* Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Reading

Acts 11:1-18

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalmody

Psalm 148

The assembly sings the psalm in unison after the tone is played on the organ.

*The **bold** words indicate when to change notes on the psalm tone.*

Hallelujah!

Praise the LORD **from the heavens**;
praise God **in the heights**.

Praise the LORD, **all you angels**;
sing praise, all you hosts of heaven.

Praise the LORD, **sun and moon**;
sing praise, all you **shining stars**.

Praise the LORD, heav-**en of heavens**,
and you waters a-**bove the heavens**.

Let them praise the Name **of the LORD**;
 who commanded, and they **were created**.
 who made them stand fast forev-**er and ever**;
 and gave them a law which shall not **pass away**.
 Praise the LORD **from the earth**,
 you sea-monsters **and all deeps**;
 Fire and hail, **snow and fog**,
 tempestuous wind, do-**ing God's will**;
 Mountains **and all hills**,
 fruit trees **and all cedars**;
 wild beasts **and all cattle**,
 creeping things and **flying birds**;
 kings of the earth **and all peoples**,
 princes and all rulers **of the world**;
 young **men and maidens**,
 old and **young together**.
 Let them praise the Name **of the LORD**,
 whose Name alone is exalted,
 whose splendor is over **earth and heaven**.
 The LORD has raised up strength for the people
 and praise for all **faithful servants**,
 the children of Israel, a people who are near the LORD
Hallelujah!

The Second Reading

Revelation 21:1-6

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals.
 He will dwell with them as their God;
 they will be his peoples,
 and God himself will be with them;
 he will wipe every tear from their eyes.
 Death will be no more;
 mourning and crying and pain will be no more,
 for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The Sequence Hymn #304 — *I Come with Joy*

The Holy Gospel

John 13:31-35

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Maggie Nancarrow

A contemplative silence is kept after the homily.

Remarks from Graduating Seniors

Ernie Barthel, Cal Butcher

Blessing of All Graduates

The Prayers of the People

Deacon: Let us pray that the love of Jesus be seen throughout the world with joy and gladness, that it may be a sign of new life to us all. Lord, show us your light.

After each petition, the prayer leader says "Risen Lord," The congregation responds:

Hear our prayer.

Celebrant: God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, grant that all who now celebrate these joyful holy days here on earth may be so filled with you that your Spirit flows through us to heal the whole world with your love. We ask this through your risen Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

Announcements

Those who are celebrating a birthday or anniversary will be invited forward after the announcements.

Birthday and Anniversary Prayer

**Dear Father, we thank thee that all the year through
Thy goodness has blest them with gifts ever new.
And, oh, wilt thou grant them a happy new year,
Dear Father, we pray thee, be thou ever near. Amen.**

Walk in love, as Christ loved us, and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offering

Ring to the Lord a New Song

Cathy Moglebust

Offertory

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow:
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A, *The Book of Common Prayer*, p. 361



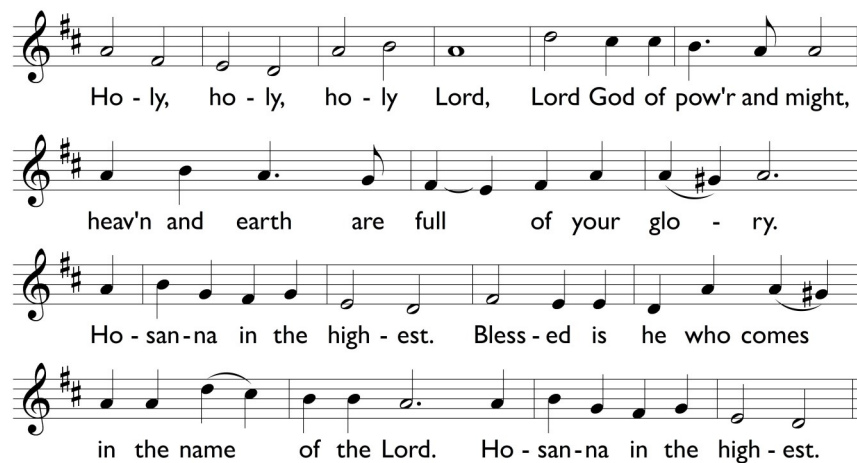
The Lord be with you. **And al-so with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. . . . Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high - est.

Holy and gracious Father: in your infinite love you made us...
Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption...

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.



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

**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,
forever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread and the Fraction Anthem



Invitation to Communion

Please be seated.

*Because we believe that we gather around the Lord's table,
all are welcome and encouraged to receive communion.*

The bread is typically received in the hand. You may dip the bread or take a sip from the cup.

Low-gluten hosts (<.002%) are available for those with wheat sensitivities.

Communion Music

Gabriel's Oboe

Enrico Morricone

Sending (*Used when Lay Eucharistic Visitors are sent to bring communion to those unable to be with us.*)

[Name], in the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that [Name], to whom you go, may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

We who are many are one Body because we share one bread, one cup.

Post Communion Prayer

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 365

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.**

Blessing

Go in safety, for you cannot go where God is not.
Go in love, for love alone endures.
Go in peace, for it is the gift of God to those whose hearts and minds are in Christ Jesus.
And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Mother of us All,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn — *Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!*

1. Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en!
2. Weep-ing, be gone; sor-row, be sil - ent:
3. Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er,

Trum-pets re - sound-ing in glo - rious light!
death put a - sun - der, and Eas-ter is bright.
gold - en Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb,

Splen-dor, the Lamb, heav - en for - ev - er!
Cher - u - bim sing: O grave, be o - pen!
riv - er of life, saints and arch - an - gels,

Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!
Clothe us in won-der, a - dorn us in light.
sing with cre - a - tion to God the I Am!

Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise.

Give God the glo - ry! Al-le - lu - ia!

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve our God. Alleluia, alleluia.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude

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Acolytes 2024-2025

We are grateful to all of these young people who
have served St. Paul's
with faithful dedication as Acolytes:

Ernie Barthel
Joe Bauer
Calvin Butcher
Matthew Devich
Eliana Erspamer
Caitlin Gustafson
Tanis Halverson
Anna Keto
Sara Keto
Olivia Morin-Swanson
Laurel Sadowski
Jupiter Sadowski
Jack Shambour
Riley Wall

We sincerely thank **Holly Hansen**, who serves as
our Acolyte Coordinator

Acolyte Appreciation event today after coffee hour
from 12:00-1:45 pm at Incline Station Bowling Center
includes bowling, pizza and arcade fun.

This Week at St. Paul's

<u>Monday, May 19</u>	3:00-4:00 pm, Private Piano Lesson (TKH), Sanctuary
<u>Tuesday, May 20</u>	9 am-2:30 pm, Cooking For a Cause, Parish Kitchen 3:00-8:00 pm, Private Piano lessons (LB), Olcott Room 6:00 pm, Blue Stone Zen Group, Carriage House 6:00 pm, Vestry meeting, Parish Hall 7:00 pm, Capital Campaign Steering Committee Meeting, Parish Hall
<u>Wednesday, May 21</u>	9 am-2:30 pm, Cooking For a Cause, Parish Kitchen 9 am-7 pm, Capital Campaign Interviews 5:15 pm, Eucharist, Church 6:15 pm, Choir Rehearsal, Church
<u>Thursday, May 22</u>	8 am, Messenger Deadline 9 am-2:30 pm, Cooking For a Cause, Parish Kitchen 5:30 pm, Hatha Yoga class, Carriage House
<u>Friday, May 23</u>	9 am-2:30 pm, Cooking For a Cause, Parish Kitchen 11:00 am, Al-Anon Friday Freedom Group, Carriage House 3:00-8:00 pm, Private Piano lessons (LB), Olcott Room
<u>Saturday, May 24</u>	6:00 am, Blue Stone Zen Group, Carriage House
<u>Sunday, May 25</u>	No 8 o'clock service this day 10:00 am, Holy Eucharist Rite II, Church

Memorial Weekend

Sunday, May 25 and Monday, May 26

There is no 8 am service on Sunday, May 25, and all Church Offices will all be closed on Monday, May 26, in observance of this federal holiday.

Prayers at St. Paul's

PRAY for the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East.

For the month of May, please pray for all academic graduates, for all educational institutions, and for the specialized chaplaincies in those institutions. Remember especially Breck School and Shattuck-St. Mary's and their chaplains, Circle of the Beloved, University Episcopal Community and all those who work with campus ministries.

For those who suffer and those in any trouble:

JoEllen S	Victor S	Jon G	Baby Jack & Family	Thomas & Sarah
Virginia M	Jennifer L	Barbara H	Jenni & Family	Natalie S.
Pat K	Charles B	Kathy S	Bjørn G	Jenny
Maureen M	Bill D	Wendy R	Lorrie F	Mary C
Stan H	David B	Christie S	Dan P	Ann Marie
Stuart B	Tom P	Ann-Sofie	Paul	Sally R
John D	Gary B	Lucy J	Ryan E	Nick & Sami
John B	Mark K	Callum	Lois B	

For those serving in the armed forces:

Lucy Fellman, Ricky Lyle, Nora Maddy

For those who are in seminary or in discernment.

And for those who are in long-term care facilities or are homebound:

Noreen Anderson, JoAnn Chessser, Helen Gruba, Steve Hennessy, Stan Henricksen, Steve & Mary Olmsted, Anita Pollock

For those who have died:

Robert Sederberg, May 3, 2025

Joanne Marinac, May 11, 2025

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God in memory of:

- Joseph & Mary Pastor
- Joseph & Judy Dragich



Announcements

Did You Know?



Did you know that the organ uses a mechanism made from leather to generate each musical note? These leather mechanisms are “bursting” and need to be replaced. Each broken pouch eliminates a playable note.

St. Paul's Needs Your Feedback

St. Paul's Episcopal Church has a long history of faithful ministry in Duluth. Now, with God's help, we move forward to strengthen our facilities and mission for the years to come. We have partnered with GSB Fundraising to explore the feasibility of a \$2.6 million capital campaign scheduled for 2025. To guide our next steps, we need your response to a short survey. Before next Sunday, please go to www.stpaulsduluth.org/future to find the link to the survey. An email will be sent with the link this weekend as well.

Wednesday Eucharist

Wednesday, May 21, 5:15 pm

Our final Wednesday night worship is held May 21, then goes on hiatus for the summer, returning in the Fall. Special thanks to our faithful **Altar Guild** volunteers who have provided their services every Wednesday night!

Messenger Deadline

Thursday, May 22, 8:00 am

The deadline for the June-July combined issue is this week. Please email submissions to office@stpaulsduluth.org

Celebrate the Life of Joanne Marinac

Thursday, May 29, 11:00 am

Please join the Marinac Family here at St. Paul's on May 29. Visitation at 10 am, funeral at 11 am, followed by a luncheon in the Parish Hall.



Help Bulk Mail the Messenger

Thursday, May 29, 1:00 pm

Please join us in the Olcott Room to fold and tab the newsletter. It's a great way to socialize with some church friends while doing an easy task.

Got a Green Thumb? St. Paul's Outreach Team needs you!

Saturday-Sunday, May 31-June 1

Help us produce a Plant Sale on June 1 to benefit Laundry Love. A team from St. Paul's offers human dignity and shares love with our neighbors by offering them the capacity to do their laundry at Spirit Valley Laundry on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. This service is offered weekly with different congregations to cover every Tuesday; it is completely volunteer-run. Our only cost is operating the machines, which costs \$500-\$800 each week. Help us raise funds by thinning your crowded plant beds or houseplants and bring what you can share to sell. We'll be collecting plants at the first floor entrance (by the office) on Saturday, May 31, from 5-7 pm. Bring clean large nursery pots (for hostas, flowers, ferns) by May 24 -- leave them by the carriage house garage, or find some there if you have plants to dig up! Contact Deacon Pat for more information or to volunteer: Deacon@stpaulsduluth.org or 218.206.5349



The Here Now

Thursday, May 29-Thursday, June 5

Climate>Duluth and the Lake Superior Living Labs Network are cosponsoring a virtual showing of a climate documentary “The Here Now Project.” There is no fee to watch this documentary from this link <https://www.filmplatform.net/events/herenowprojectdlh> with this *CORRECTED* registration code: **THN-DLH** They will host a follow-up conversation on June 21 to discuss future climate actions in Duluth.

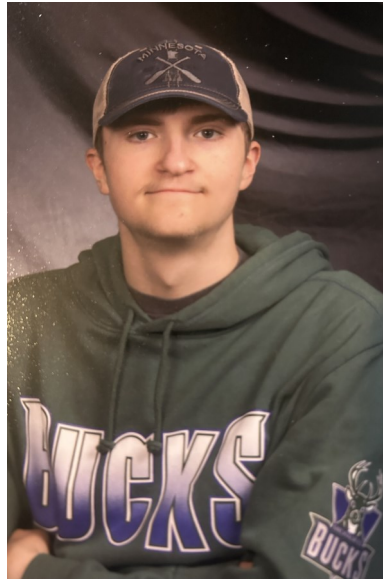
Outreach Grants

The Outreach Committee encourages parishioners to complete a brief application form requesting funds for such outreach initiatives as Safe Haven, Damiano, and so on. The committee will accept requests on a rolling basis and consider them at its next quarterly meeting. To obtain a copy of the form, contact Zabelle Stodola on the Outreach Committee at kzstodola@ualr.edu

High School Graduates 2025



Ernie Barthel



Joe Bauer



Cal Butcher

East High School

Ernie Barthel
Joe Bauer
Cal Butcher
Laurel Sadowski

Hermantown High School

Caitlin Cox



Caitlin Cox



Laurel Sadowski

College Graduates:

Rae Finkel

BA, *Environment, Sustainability and Geography*, UM-Duluth

Nick Miller

BS, *Mechanical Engineering*, Michigan Tech

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Electronic Giving

You may donate checks or cash in the alms basins during the Offertory. If you prefer to donate to St. Paul's electronically, you may use this QR code to easily access our website donation page. **Thank you for your generosity.**



Serving Today

Celebrant:	The Rev. Maggie Nancarrow
Associate:	The V. Rev. Rick Swenson
Deacon:	The Rev. Deacon Patricia Benson
Verger:	Kathleen Smith
Altar Guild:	Carrie Miller, Lynnea Hultkrantz
Lectors:	Natalie Constance, Nancy Diener
Prayer Leader:	Carrie Miller
Music:	Chancel Choir; Thomas Hamilton, organ
Lay Eucharistic Ministers (Chalice):	Natalie Constance, Nancy Diener, Susan Anderson
Acolytes:	Eliana Erspamer, Ernie Barthel, Matthew Devich
Livestream:	David Barthel
Ushers:	Gary Olson, Paul Waite, Matt Gustafson, Rick Lyle
Nursery:	Janice Schreck, Hannah Gustafson
Coffee Hosts:	Mark & Catherine Bauer
Lock-Up:	Bill Stapp