

The Episcopal Parish of St. Paul
Duluth, Minnesota

Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist

November 15, 2026

10:00 am

After this service, please join us for Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall.
All ages welcome.

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 serve 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.

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 following Pentecost, also called Ordinary Time. This season is observed with green to symbolize the growing, abundant earth. Half of the Christian year is this season after Pentecost, which is a season where we translate the Good News for new times and places.

Weekly Service Schedule

Sundays
8:00 am
Rite I

10:00 am
Rite II

Wednesdays
5:15 pm
(No service on November 25)

Stay in Touch

You can find email addresses for our parish leaders on the back of this bulletin. Please don't hesitate to reach out if you'd like more information

Prelude *Deck Thyself, My Soul, with Gladness* J. Brahms

Processional Hymn #379 – *God Is Love*

Opening Acclamation

Blessed be the one, holy, and Living God.
And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

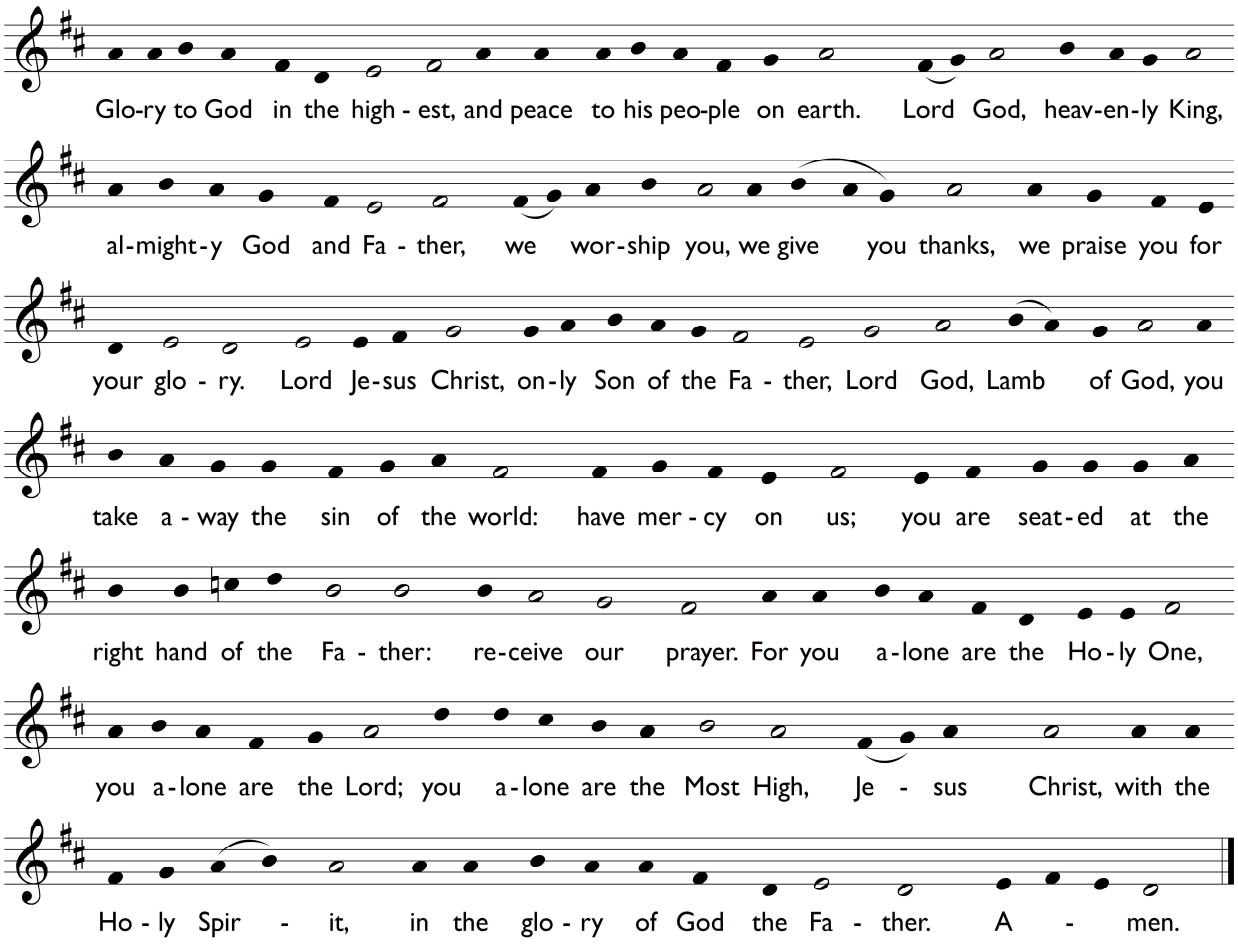
Opening Collect

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's Invitation and Blessing

Children (preK-6th gr) are invited to come forward for a blessing, then go to Godly Play and return at The Peace.

Gloria



The Collect of the Day

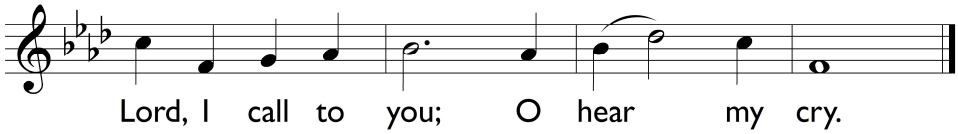
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray. Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Reading — Judges 4:1-7

The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the Lord, after Ehud died. So the Lord sold them into the hand of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-ha-goiim. Then the Israelites cried out to the Lord for help; for he had nine hundred chariots of iron, and had oppressed the Israelites cruelly twenty years.
At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites came up to her for judgment. She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali, and said to him, "The Lord, the God of Israel, commands you, 'Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops; and I will give him into your hand.'"

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 123



To you I lift up my eyes, O you who are enthroned in the heavens! ***Refrain***
As the eyes of servants look to the hands of their master,
as the eyes of a maid to the hand of the mistress,
so our eyes look to the Lord our God, until God has mercy upon us. ***Refrain***
Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us,
for we have had more than enough of contempt. ***Refrain***
Our soul has had more than its fill of the scorn of those who are at ease,
of the contempt of the proud. ***Refrain***

Second Reading — 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
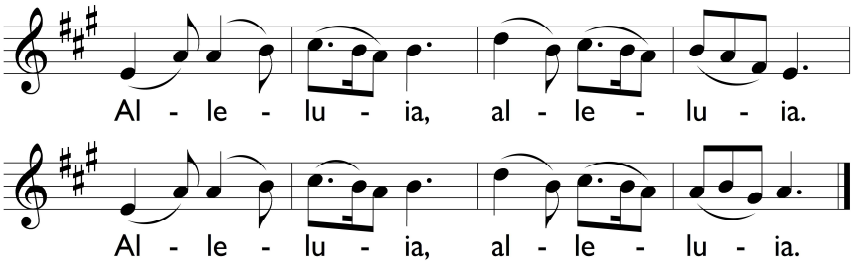
Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let

us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Please stand and face the procession as it moves to the center of the church for the reading of the Gospel. All sing the Alleluia. The verse is sung by the choir, and the Alleluia is repeated.



Verse: Abide in me as I abide in you; those who abide in me will bear much fruit.

The Gospel — Matthew 25:14-30

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Panel Discussion — The Rev. Maggie Nancarrow, accompanied by The Revs. Barbara Elliott, Marta Maddy and Sally Maxwell

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
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

Deacon: Let us join together in prayer to our God of all creation and source of every blessing.

After each prayer, the leader says God of grace and glory,
The People respond, **Hear our prayer.**

The celebrant adds a concluding collect.

The Confession *Book of Common Prayer, p. 360*

Please kneel or sit. Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.

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.

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 Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you.
And also with you.

Please greet one another with a sign of God's peace.

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 *The Wings of the Morning* Marie Pooler

If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea;
Even there shall thy hand lead me. There, even there, shall thy hand hold me.
When I wake I am still with thee, O God. – Psalm 139

All are welcome to support St. Paul's as an expression of gratitude for God's generosity. Your gift in this offering sustains and enriches our prayer, learning, and community services. For those who do not carry cash or check, you can use this QR code to donate online.

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.

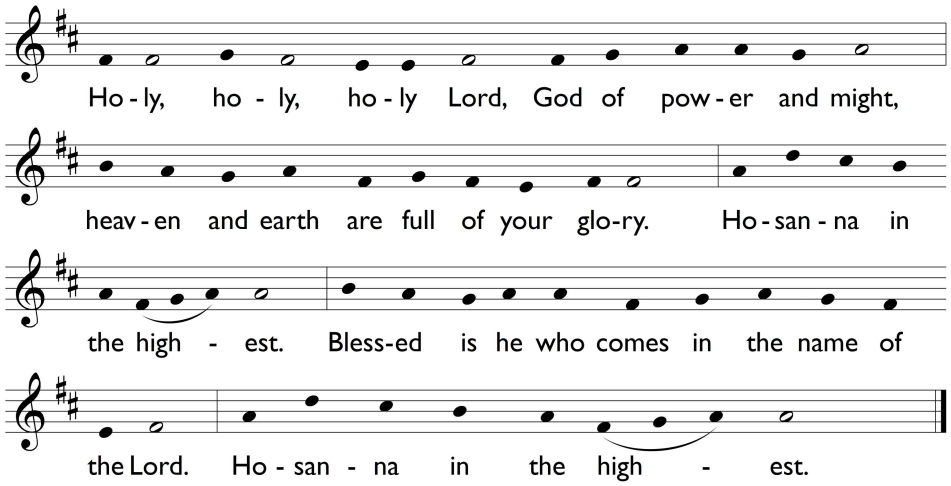
The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A, Book of Common Prayer p. 361

The Lord be with you.
And also 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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all …

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

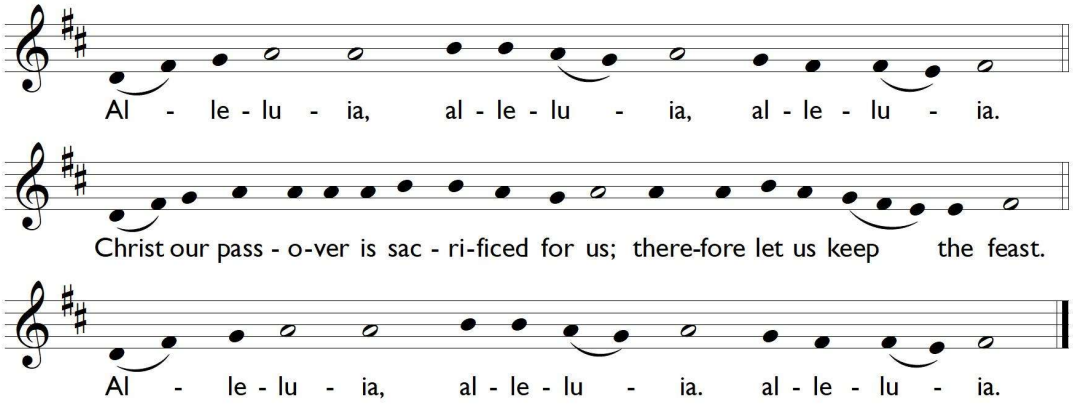
We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. …

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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 forever. **AMEN.**

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

Because we believe that we gather around the Lord's table,
all are welcome and encouraged to receive communion.
Gluten-free hosts are available; please request this if needed.

Communion Hymn #325 – *Let Us Break Bread Together*

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 *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

Recessional Hymn #435 – *At the Name of Jesus*

Dismissal

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia. Alleluia.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Postlude *O God, Thou Faithful God* J. Brahms

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Prayers at St. Paul's

PRAY for The Anglican Church of Chile.

For the month of November, please pray for the Minnesota Commission on Indian Work (MCIW), and for the Hispanic, Hmong, Liberian, Karen and numerous multi-cultural ministries and faith communities throughout the Episcopal Church in Minnesota.

For those who suffer and those in any trouble:

Rick L	Ann Marie	Becca T	Ketih B	LeeAnn R
Virginia M	Charles B	Amber S	Kevin M	Lin B
Pat K	Gerri W	Ann-Sofie	Wendy R	Tamara J
Callum	David B	Lucy J	John S	Carol D
Jon G	Tom P	Kirsti J	Tere Y	Robert M
Stuart B	Ray A	Sue M	Doug E	Deb S
John D	Sally R	Annie H	Lynn K	John D
John B	Susan F	Jack & Family	Kate B	Dakota P
JoEllen S	Eddy M	Jennie & Family	April C	Kal C
Tom M	Natalie S	Jasmine & Family	Bonnie E	

For those serving in the armed forces:
Lucy Fellman, Curran Floerke, Charles Lewis, Ricky Lyle and Nora Maddy

For those who are in seminary or in discernment.

And for those who are in long-term care facilities or are homebound:
Mary Carlson, Helen Gruba, Steve Hennessy, Maureen Matheson, Stephen Olmsted

For those who have died:
Paul Almirall, November 9, 2026

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God in memory of:
Carlisle & Charlene Heimbach; Nancy Heimbach Claypool; and Charlene Claypool Hansen

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Announcements

Messenger Deadline

Wednesday, November 18, 8:00 am

Please submit items for the newsletter to office@stpaulsduluth.org by Wednesday morning.

Children's Coffee Hour

TODAY, Children's Room, after church

All youth are invited to their own Coffee Hour today after the service. Meet downstairs in the Children's Room.

Study Groups to Join

Practicing the Way – Thursdays, 10 am
Olcott Room, Oct. 1 through Dec. 3
This program focuses on training us to live as an apprentice of Jesus. To join contact Deacon Pat at deacon@stpaulsduluth.org.

Scripture as Spiritual Practice –
Tuesdays, 5 pm, Olcott Room
November 3, 10, December 1, 8
Rediscover how to engage Scripture as an apprentice to Jesus. Contact Deacon Pat at deacon@stpaulsduluth.org.

Revelation Bible Study – Fridays, 10 am
Olcott Room. October-December
Together we will wrestle with the book of Revelation—come join us to experience the final book of the Bible with all its unexpected symbols (dragons and beasts!), challenging visions (plagues and battles…), and timeless hope and promise. Lead by Revs. Marta Maddy and Barb Elliott. No RSVP necessary.

Wednesday Adult Forums
1st & 3rd Wednesdays – Parish Hall
A discussion group on building discipleship, using the same topics and bible passages explored by the youth groups.

Shop at St. Paul's!

Saturday, Nov. 21, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

The St. Paul's Outreach Grants Committee is organizing the first ever St. Paul's Arts, Crafts & Bake Sale for Saturday, November 21, from 10 to 3, to raise added funds for the holiday season. Please contact Natalie Constance natccon@gmail.com or Mike Maddy maddad55@gmail.com for further details. If you don't have enough to be a vendor but would like to contribute something, you can donate an item to a table with other donated things whose proceeds will benefit the church.

In Loving Memory of Mary Olmsted

Saturday, November 21, 2:00 pm

We celebrate the life of Mary Olmsted with a funeral on Saturday afternoon. Visitation in the Church at 1:00 pm, funeral at 2:00 pm, followed by a reception in the Olcott Room. The Olmsted family invites everyone to attend. Memorials to St. Paul's Episcopal Church preferred.

Advent Wreath Make & Take

Sunday, November 29, 11:00 am

Advent Wreath assembly in the Parish Hall after the 10 am service. Dress with sap and glue in mind! Please bring the Advent wreath frame from last year if you can. Other supplies are provided.

Celebrate the Life of Paul Almirall

Friday, December 4, 11:00 am

Funeral arrangements are being made at this time. Please attend Paul's funeral on December 4.

Christmas Movie Party

Friday, December 18, 6:00 pm

We're hosting a movie night in the Parish Hall on Friday, December 18, from 6-9 pm. All ages are welcome! We'll have crafts, pizza, popcorn, cocoa, and cookies. After we settle in, we'll watch the 1992 classic "A Muppet Christmas Carol."

Kirkin' o' the Tartans

Sunday, November 22, 5:00 pm

The Duluth Scottish Heritage Association carries on its traditional Kirkin' o' the Tartans and Tea here at St. Paul's!

Evensong, led by the Rev. Maggie Nancarrow, begins with the Highland Dance students executing a reel in the in the aisles of the church. The celebration has elements that have been used since the time of John Knox. During the service there will be an opportunity to present your clan tartan for blessing, a tradition carried from Scotland to the New World.

At the conclusion, you will be piped downstairs to the Parish Hall to enjoy a High Tea. Following the meal, you will be entertained by the music of the Twin Ports Highlanders Pipes & Drums and performances by the Highland Dancers.

This is a fun family event! The public is invited to attend. Reservations are required; tix are available through the DSHA website: www.DuluthScots.com or by calling 218-722-1745. Cost: $40 family, $15 adults, $10 for children 6-12, children under 5 free; taxes and fees will be added to final price.

Family Ministry Schedules

Sunday Godly Play

- November 15 – Work Day for Both Groups
- November 22 – Ruth; St. Thomas Aquinas
- November 29 – Work Day, combined classroom
- December 6 – Advent I & II

Wednesday Youth Groups

Current Unit: Follow Jesus

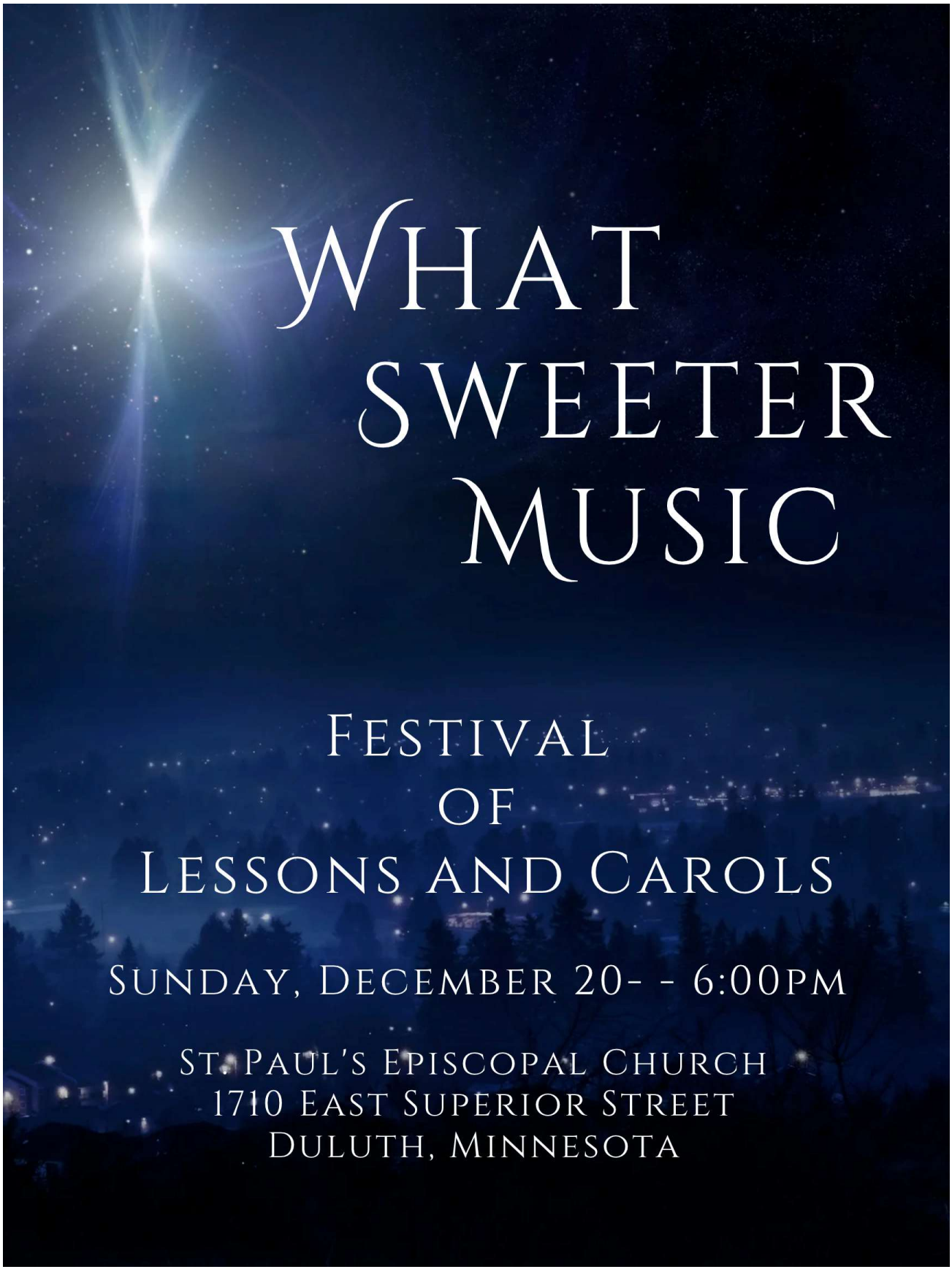
- November 18 – Do not fear unit begins for both groups.
- December 2 –
- December 16 –

ARTS, CRAFTS, & BAKE SALE

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21
10 AM – 3 PM

St Paul's Episcopal Church, Duluth
1710 E Superior St
Parish Hall - Entrance on Greysolon Rd

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What Sweeter Music
Festival of Lessons and Carols
Sunday, December 20- - 6:00pm
St. Paul's Episcopal Church
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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 This Sunday

Presider	The Rev. Maggie Nancarrow
Deacon	The Rev. Deacon Patricia Benson
Verger	Kathleen Smith
Altar Guild	Carrie Miller, Lynnea Hultkrantz, Laurie Kania
Lectors	Melody Chilson, Zabelle Stodola
Prayer Leader	Jacque VanHoutte
Lay Eucharistic Ministers (Chalice)	Kathy Baumgarten, Melanie Spencer, Zabelle Stodola
Acolytes	Jay Sadowski, Riley Wall, Quinn Wall
Music	Chancel Choir; Charles Sundquist, organist
Livestream	Jay Austin
Ushers	Sue & Mark Brown, Diane Kolquist, Bob Silverness
Nursery Attendants	Caitlin Gustafson, Arna Rennan
Coffee Host	Sue & Mark Brown
Lock Up	Mark Brown