

ONLINE LITURGY

The Third Sunday in Lent

March 15, 2020

O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of the one who humbled himself to share our humanity, Jesus Christ our Savior.

~ Collect from the Easter Vigil, The Book of Common Prayer, p. 288

Welcome to All – Community in a Time of Social Distancing

Welcome to St. Paul's Burlingame! We are hosting a time for prayer together online since precautions are being taken to prevent the spread of COVID-19 infection. We have recorded online Liturgy where we focus our attention on God's word. We are praying through the appointed readings for the day with music that has been selected and led by a special quartet, and a sermon that will address these new times and what our Christian stories have to speak into our lives.

The order of service is found in this bulletin with people's responses in **bold type**. If not noted otherwise, the liturgy for this service of the online Liturgy is drawn from the expansive language Holy Eucharist approved by the Episcopal Church's 79th General Convention in 2018.

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Prelude

The Tree of Peace, Judith Weir (b. 1954)

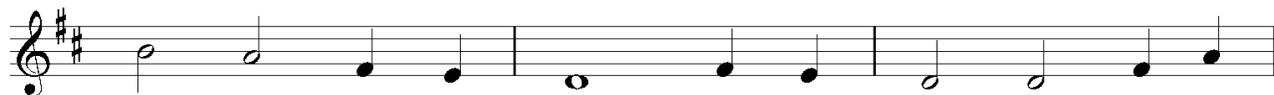
All stand, as you are able, to sing

Hymn 686

“Come, thou fount of every blessing,” *Nettleton*



1 Come, thou fount of ev - ery bless - ing, tune my
2 Here I find my great - est trea - sure; hith - er,
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly



heart to sing thy grace! Streams of mer - cy nev - er
by thy help, I've come; and I hope, by thy good
I'm con - strained to be! Let thy good - ness, like a



ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
fet - ter, bind my wan - dering heart to thee:



Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by
Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger wan - dering
prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to



flam - ing tongues a - bove. Praise the mount! Oh, fix me
from the fold of God; he, to res - cue me from
leave the God I love; here's my heart, oh, take and



on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.
dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

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The Collect for the Day

Celebrant God be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

A moment of silence is observed as we prepare our hearts for prayer.

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

The people are seated.

The Liturgy of the Word

The First Lesson

Exodus 17: 1-7

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The Lord said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

After the reading, the reader says

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

- 1 **Come, let us sing to the Lord; ***
 let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
- 2 **Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving ***
 and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.
- 3 **For the Lord is a great God, ***
 and a great King above all gods.
- 4 **In his hand are the caverns of the earth, ***
 and the heights of the hills are his also.
- 5 **The sea is his, for he made it, ***
 and his hands have molded the dry land.
- 6 **Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, ***
 and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
- 7 **For he is our God,**
 and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *
 Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!
- 8 **Harden not your hearts,**
 as your forebears did in the wilderness, *
 at Meribah, and on that day at Massah,
 when they tempted me.
- 9 **They put me to the test, ***
 though they had seen my works.

The Holy Gospel

John 4: 5-14

Before the reading, the reader says

Reader A reading from the Gospel according to John.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life."

After the reading, the reader says

Reader Hear what God's Spirit is saying to the people.
People Thanks be to God.

A Prayer for Mission

Said by all

Gracious and loving God, help us this day to understand and celebrate your dream for the world, to be transformed in Jesus' love, and to use our gifts to make a difference for others. Amen.

The people are seated for the sermon.

The Sermon

The Rev. Thomas Skillings

Meditation After Sermon

We shall walk through the valley
Spiritual, arr. Undine Smith Moore (1904-1989)

Lord, we shall walk in peace.

We shall walk through the valley in peace.

*If Jesus, himself shall lead us,
We shall walk through the valley in peace.*

*There will be no trials there.
If Jesus, himself shall be our leader,
We shall walk through the valley in peace.*

The Prayers of the People

The Leader and People pray responsively.

In peace, we pray to you, O God.

Silence is kept to prepare our hearts for prayer.

Be with all Christians O God, as we gather in Christ's name. Give us grace to know how to respond to these uncertain times with wisdom and compassion. Be with churches as they discern ways to continue to be places of support in the midst of the reality of distancing.

Restore us O God of mercy.

Be with the leaders of the nations and give them courage to act only for the common good, remembering the most vulnerable in their communities.

Restore us O God of wisdom.

In this season when we remember your life laid down for all, we remember those who are suffering from the hardships of disease and fear of disease. For the people where the rapid spread of COVID-19 affects lives and livelihoods.

Restore us O God of compassion.

We remember those in our own hearts who are stricken with illness in mind, body or spirit.

Silence

We pray you will be with them so that they may be comforted by your presence and healed by your power.

Restore us O God of compassion.

We pray for those have have died.

Silence

May their souls, and the souls of all the departed, rest in peace.

Restore us O God of life.

The presider adds a concluding prayer.

The Lord's Prayer
Chanted on a single tone

from *Preces & Responses* (2019), Elizabeth Kimble

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.

All sing
Hymn

“Healing river of the Spirit,” *Beach Spring*



1. Heal - ing riv - er of the Spi - rit, bathe the wounds that liv - ing
2. Well - spring of the heal - ing Spi - rit, stream that flows to bring re -
3. Liv - ing stream that heals the na - tions, make us chan - nels of your



brings. Plunge our pain, our sin, our sad - ness deep be - neath your sa - cred
lease, as we gain our selves, our sens - es, may our lives re - flect your
pow'r. All the world is torn by con - flict; wars are rag - ing at this



springs. Wea - ry from the rest - less search - ing that has lured us from your side, we dis -
peace. Grate - ful for the flood that heals us, may your church en - act your grace. As we
hour. Sa - ving Spi - rit, move a - mong us; guide our wind - ing hu - man course, till we



cov - er in your pres - ence peace that world can - not pro - vide.
meet both friend and strang - er, may we see our Sav - ior's face.
find our way to - geth - er, flow - ing home - ward to our source.

The priest blesses the people.

Peaceful Blessing

The Dismissal

Priest We remain one in the Spirit.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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MUSIC NOTE

In this Women's History Month, we continue to highlight women composers on this Third Sunday in Lent. The prelude, *The Tree of Peace*, is by the contemporary English composer **Judith Weir** (b. 1954), Master of the Queen's Music. Allow this voluntary to draw you into a time of silent meditation.

The anthem, *We shall walk through the valley of peace*, is by the female African American composer **Undine Smith Moore** (1904-1989). A granddaughter of slaves, Undine Smith Moore studied at Fisk, Juilliard, and Columbia University, and taught at Virginia State University. Known as the "Dean of Black Women Composers," she composed over 100 works, though only 26 were published during her lifetime. Other of her choral works in the St. Paul's Burlingame repertoire include: *Daniel, Daniel, Servant of the Lord*; *Bound for Canaan's Land*; and *I believe this is Jesus*.

May you find strength, solace and joy in God's blessing of music during this time.

HAPPENINGS AT ST. PAUL'S

The Circle CANNOT Accept Your Generous Donations Until Further Notice

Due to the threat of the coronavirus, The Spring Rummage Sale scheduled for Friday, May 1 and Saturday, May 2 has been canceled and no rummage donations will be accepted.

Thank you for helping with Home & Hope

We just concluded a week of hosting four families in the Home & Hope program. Thank you to all who helped make these families comfortable and well fed. A special thank you to our **Youth Group and Serena Beauparlant** for providing dinner Sunday night and the **Readey family** for cleaning out the toy closet! **Today** we could use help taking down the tents and cots after the 8:00 service and loading the van after the 10:00 service. It goes quickly if several people pitch in. We are ready for the **Laundry Team** to do their part. Thank you everyone! Our next host week will be Sunday, August 23 through Sunday, August 30.

Underwriting the Music of Easter Day



This Easter Day, April 12, we look forward to a **chamber orchestra** joining with the fifty singers of the Choirs of St. Paul's to celebrate with music of great joy. Please consider underwriting the nine guest instrumentalists. All sizes of donations are gratefully received, but you may underwrite a player for \$400. Underwriters will be acknowledged in the Easter Day bulletins, and you may also include a memorial or thanksgiving dedication. **Deadline for inclusion in the bulletin is Palm Sunday, April 5.** Please make checks payable to St. Paul's Episcopal Church, with a note for the Music Fund. Donation envelopes may be found in the pews.

HAPPENINGS AT ST. PAUL'S (CONT'D)

CONGRATULATIONS TO CHOIR MEMBERS



We look forward to offering hearty congratulations to four new Royal School of Church Music (RSCM) Award Medalists from the Choir of St. Paul's Burlingame:

Abigail Akers, gold

Don Pettengill, gold

Natalie Dias, silver

Karl Breice, bronze (highly commended)

The journey of preparing and sitting for the RSCM exams is a wonderful way for singers of all ages to deepen their ministry as a chorister, to fully live into the RSCM motto: "I will sing with the spirit and with the understanding also." (I Corinthians 14:15) The award exams include an evaluation by a certified RSCM examiner of the many skills required in the ministry of a chorister to be offered with spirit and understanding. www.rscmamerica.org/awards

Fourteen singers from the Choir of St. Paul's have earned thirty national RSCM medals, and eight of these singers have earned the highest honor, the Gold Medal. Currently, St. Paul's singers hold the most gold awards of any parish in the United States and hold 20% of all gold awards nationwide.

The light blue ribbon, symbolizing completion of the first level of the RSCM Voice for Life Chorister training program, will be awarded to **Kavya Gopalla** and **Emily Hong**. A white surplice to be worn with the blue cassock, symbolizing becoming a Chorister, will be presented to **Kavya Gopalla** and **Dmitri Nezvin**.

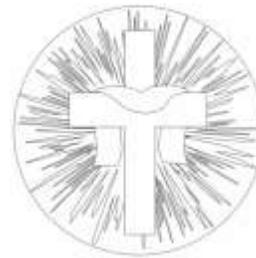
Lenten Emails

Would you like a Lenten Reflection sent to your inbox every Wednesday of Lent? Sign up with Jocelyn via email at jsideco@stpaulsburlingame.org or by calling 650.348.4811 ext. 2.

Where have all the Flowers Gone?

Beginning Ash Wednesday, both altars in the main church and the chapel will be left bare in observance of Lent. Flower dedications from Sunday, March 1 through Palm Sunday, April 5 will be welcomed as a part of St. Paul's Easter flowers. Look for envelopes in the pews to make flower and also music dedications. Checks should be made out to St. Paul's Altar Guild and dropped off or mailed to the church. Dedications can be written on the envelope or sent directly to the office. **The deadline to have dedications included in the Easter Sunday bulletin is Palm Sunday, April 5.** Questions about flower dedications? Please email cfbruce1@gmail.com to contact Lynn Bruce.

Save the Dates: A Three-day Easter! An Hour a Day to Enter into the Mystery of the Resurrection



While many might think of Easter as a singular event on Easter Sunday, the fullness of Easter is truly experienced when we participate in the whole story together. Jesus' last supper with his friends, the betrayal and execution of Jesus and then the surprising and transforming life of the resurrection — it takes just an hour a day to enter into the fullness of Easter.

Maundy Thursday	April 9 at 7pm
Good Friday	April 10 at 3:15pm
Saturday Evening Simple Vigil	April 11 at 7pm
Easter Day	April 12 at 9am & 11:15 am

ST. PAUL'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY: March 15

Home & Hope
 Holy Eucharist, 8am
 Choir Rehearsal, 9am
 Coffee Hour, 9am, FH
 Holy Eucharist (choir & organ), 10am
 Coffee Hour, 11am, FH
 Knitting & Needlecraft Group, 11:30am, Hg
 Church of Tonga Service, 2pm, Hg

MONDAY: March 16

Monday Journey, Women's Bible Study, 1pm, Hg
 Boy Scouts Troop 3rd Monday Meeting, 7pm, FH
 Choir School Parent Meeting, 7pm, BH – CANCELED

TUESDAY: March 17

St. Patrick's Day
 Weekly Staff Meeting, 10:30am, CCR
 St. Cecilia Choir Rehearsal, 3:30pm, CR – CANCELED
 Alcoholics Anonymous, 4pm, Hg
 Outreach Meeting, 4pm, CCR
 St. Nicolas Choir Rehearsal, 4:05pm, CR – CANCELED
 Healing Ministry Meeting, 6:30pm, BH

WEDNESDAY: March 18

The Circle Postcard Labeling Labeling, 9am, BH & kit
 M.O.M.s in the Morning, 9:30am, CCR
 (Child care in Classroom C)
 Preschool Status Meeting, 10:30am, Hg
 Al-Anon Meeting, 12:15pm, Hg
 Choristers Rehearsal, 4pm, CR – CANCELED
 Teens Rehearsal, 5pm, CR – CANCELED
 Boy Scouts Meeting, 7pm, FH

THURSDAY: March 19

Choir of St. Paul's & Orchestra Rehearsal, 6:30pm, church – CANCELED
 Cursillo 4th Day Meeting, 7pm, CCR
 Alcoholics Anonymous – Men's Group, 8pm, Hg

FRIDAY: March 20

Alcoholics Anonymous, 8pm, Hg

SATURDAY: March 21

Rehearsal, 3:30pm, church – CANCELED
 Evensong, 5pm – POSTPONED UNTIL May 16
 Evensong Reception, 6pm, BH & kit – CANCELED
 Alcoholics Anonymous, 8pm, Hg

PARISH PRAYER CALENDAR

Week of Monday, March 16, 2020

Mon.	3/16	Roger & Rosemary Posch
Tues.	3/17	Tom & Margi Power, Meredith
Wed.	3/18	Elizabeth Power
Thu.	3/19	Anita van Kimmenade & Scott Power
Fri.	3/20	Maura Pratt & Gary Hagmueller, Reed & Blake
Sat.	3/21	Paeli & Fatafehi Puna
Sun.	3/22	Kristen & Jeff Ramseyer

The Parish Prayer Calendar is an ongoing daily prayer cycle we use to remember members here and at a distance. If we miss someone's name, please call and let the office know. Thank you.

SERVING THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

Thank you to all those whose ministry enlivens our worship today.

online service:

Preacher: The Rev. Thomas Skillings

Celebrant: The Rev. Julie Graham

Assisting: Ms. Jocelyn A. Sideco, MTS

Organist & Choir Director: Susan Jane Matthews,
DMA, ARSCM

Choir: Elizabeth Kimble, Akane Ota, Karl Breice,
 Jason Harvey, Elliot Skillings

Altar Guild: Leslie Dicioccio, Tish Busselle,
 Michele Bosschart

Lector: Ms. Jocelyn A. Sideco, MTS

Intercessor: The Rev. Julie Graham

SPECIAL THANKSGIVINGS

We give thanks for the birthdays this week of:

Steve Lo, Suzanne Aubry, Morgan Rice,
 Will Graczewski, Elizabeth Power, Lee Caraher, Adele
 Thronson, Marty Beater, Mary Swing

We give thanks for the anniversaries this week of:

Paula & Tina Moa

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS

You may add people to the prayer list by calling the office.

Names will appear for approximately four weeks.

In parentheses are those requesting the prayer.

Feteleni Havea, Vila Fotofili, Viliami Young,
 Peter Shanholt, Steve Group, Wally Klevesahl
 (Dawn Mulliken), James Martin (Candace Martin),
 Avery Forrest (Candace Martin), Fran Wear
 (Lisa Borgeson), Arnold Akers (Nick Akers), Mimi Butler
 (Jay Janton), Nua Moa (Fifi Taumoepeau), Lindsay Ryan
 (Susan Ketcham & Anne Casscells), Ray Munoa (Chris R.),
 Dylan (Alli M.), Patti Syvertson (Leslie D.),
 Jim Prescott (Chris R.), Murdoff family especially
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