

ONLINE LITURGY

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost July 26, 2020

Welcome to All

Community in a Time of Physical Distancing



Welcome to St. Paul's Burlingame! We are glad that you are able to join us for this time of prayer and worship. Together we hear God's Word and listen for the voice of the Spirit. We ground ourselves in the poetry and beauty of shared songs, and we pray for the needs and concerns in our hearts. A special Sacred Circle story for children can be found each week on our YouTube channel by clicking here.

If you would like to add names to our prayer list you can email mtorres@StPaulsBurlingame.org to contact Michelle. If you would like to find out more about St. Paul's please email tskilling@StPaulsBurlingame.org to contact our Rector, Thomas Skillings. We would like to connect with you!

You can follow along with the online service using this bulletin with people's responses in **bold type**. If not otherwise noted, the online Liturgy is drawn from the expansive language Holy Eucharist approved by the Episcopal Church's 79th General Convention in 2018.

The Online Sunday Service can be found in three locations:

- Our website: www.stpaulsburlingame.org or
- Our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/StPaulsBurlingame or
- Our YouTube Channel: <u>www.youtube.com/StPaulsBurlingame</u>

For past weekly recorded sermons and services, visit us online at www.stpaulsburlingame.org.

For an audio highlight clip of our prayer together with reflection questions for your week, go to our podcast on iTunes, Google Play, Stitcher, Podbean, or wherever podcasts can be found. Search for St. Paul's Monday Reminders. Episodes are published every Monday. Go online to bit.ly/StPaulsMondayRemindersPodcast.

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God: most holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity.

People And blessed be God's just reign, now and forever. Amen.

All sing Hymn 711

"Seek ye first the kingdom of God," Seek Ye First Words and Music: Karen Lafferty

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you;
Allelu, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Allelu, alleluia!

Ask, and it shall be given unto you, seek and ye shall find, knock, and the door shall be opened unto you; Allelu. alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Allelu, alleluia!

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.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen**.

The Liturgy of the Word

The First Lesson 1 Kings 3: 5-12

At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?"

It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you."

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

People Thanks be to God.

- 129 Your decrees are wonderful; * therefore I obey them with all my heart.
- 130 When your word goes forth it gives light; * it gives understanding to the simple.
- 131 I open my mouth and pant; * I long for your commandments.
- 132 Turn to me in mercy, * as you always do to those who love your Name.
- 133 Steady my footsteps in your word; * let no iniquity have dominion over me.
- 134 Rescue me from those who oppress me, * and I will keep your commandments.
- 135 Let your countenance shine upon your servant * and teach me your statutes.
- 136 My eyes shed streams of tears, * because people do not keep your law.

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 13: 31-33, 44-52

Jesus put before the crowds another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened."

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

"Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

After the reading, the reader says

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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 Sermon

Ms. Jocelyn A. Sideco, MTS

Solo

O virtus Sapientiae, Hildegard von Bingen (1098-1179) Elizabeth Kimble, soprano

O virtus Sapientiae, quae circuiens circuisti comprehendendo omnia in una via, quae habet vitam, tres alas h-bens, quarum una in altum volat, et altera de terra sudat, et tertia undique volat. Laus tibi sit, sicut te decet, O Sapientia.

O strength of Wisdom who, circling, circled, enclosing all in one lifegiving path, three wings you have: one soars to the heights, one distills its essence upon the earth, and the third is everywhere. Praise to you, as is fitting, O Wisdom.

The Prayers of the People

The Leader and People pray responsively.

We bring our prayers to our God who is full of compassion, mercy and love.

Silence

We pray for all people who are inspired by Jesus, his teachings and his own life. May we continue to build the Beloved Community where goodness, wisdom, forgiveness and mercy become an antidote for false witness, arrogance, division, and argumentative stances.

God of every age,

Strengthen our love toward others.

We follow the teachings of Jesus in the hope that these lessons will transform us. May we receive instruction with humility and be encouraged to practice our new findings. May our efforts to act out of love overcome the fear that paralyzes us so that all of us -- our families and our neighbors -- may allow for the tender caring of those oppressed and those needing protection and defending from undue harm.

God, our teacher,

Strengthen our capacity to love others.

Our world needs the powerful presence and guiding force of your Spirit in these troubled times. Move the heart of every person that we may attend to the poor, the unemployed and the oppressed and all who are in need. Touch the hearts of our leaders that they may act with compassion and wisdom.

Gracious God,

Grant us compassion for those who suffer.

There are many who are ill and in need of healing. Especially we remember today: Hiroyuki Mimori, Allen Mulliken, Michele Blair, Carole Schaffer, Nan Cusulos, Tom Breice, Renee & Bernd Kemme, Wally Klevesahl, Mimi Butler, Ray Munoa, Dylan, Jim Prescott, Murdoff family especially Charlotte and those you would like to add at this time ... Please add your own prayers for those who are ill.

Silence

Spirit of the Living God,

Heal all who are in pain and sorrow.

We call to mind all who are suffering emotionally and mentally with the struggle of living and working in a pandemic. Give them courage and patience, remind them to be kind and gentle with themselves and strengthen them with the confidence of knowing they are held in Your hands.

Spirit of the Living God.

Strengthen us for these days.

We remember Black communities, beloved children of God, who have for decades suffered and cried out against injustice and police brutality. Let us all rise together honoring Black dignity and Black Citizenship.

Spirit of the Living God.

Give us wisdom and the will to respond to injustice.

We remember those who have died, from our own community. We remember especially those who have died from the recent and long-standing pandemics including COVID-19, systemic racism, and climate change. Additionally, we pray for the loss of Congressman John Lewis and Rev. C.T. Vivian, two civil rights greats who drew upon their faith as they pushed for equality for Black Americans.

Please add the names of those you remember this day.

Receive them into the peace of your presence. And comfort all who have lost loved ones that they may know your consolation and hope.

Lord, in your mercy, give us the hope to work for your Beloved Community together.

In the effortless trust of the Triune God, let us lift our voices in our common humanity to pray in the words Jesus taught.

The Lord's Prayer

In the unity of the Triune God, let us lift our voices in our common humanity to pray in the words Jesus taught:

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.



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The priest blesses the people.

Blessing

The Dismissal

Celebrant Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us rejoice in the power of the Spirit!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Postlude

Troubled Water, Margaret Bonds (1913-1972)

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HAPPENINGS AT ST. PAUL'S

Meet Us for Virtual Coffee Hour 8:45am & 10:45am



Join us via Zoom for a Virtual Coffee Hour at the usual scheduled time of 8:45am via Zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87884282944 or by calling 669-900-9128 Meeting ID: 924 5127 2686 and again at 10:45am via Zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88580629168 or again by calling 669-900-9128 Meeting ID: 941 4217 7808.

A Deeper Dive into Bible Readings Bible Study – Sundays at 12:30pm

Join the leaders of our Tongan congregation and the rector for a deeper dive into the scriptures for each Sunday. Connect with us through our email



list for some preparation material before each gathering or simply join the Zoom session by clicking on https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81775796902 or by calling 669-900-9128 Meeting ID: 817 7579 6902.

Online Monday Journey at 1pm



Monday Journey is meeting via Zoom at its normally scheduled time of 1pm. Click on https://zoom.us/j/823318411 or call 669-900-9128 Meeting ID: 823 318 411.

Prayer Vigil for the Healing of the World ~ Wednesdays • 4:30pm

The Healing Ministry of St. Paul's has pledged to gather each Wednesday for 20 minutes to pray for the healing of this world from pandemic and social injustices. Anyone and everyone is free to join in this prayer time via Zoom



https://zoom.us/j/97637490628 or by calling 669-900-9128 Meeting ID: 976 3749 0628.

An Interfaith Discussion About Race & Racism – Monday, Aug. 3 • 7pm



Speakers will offer experiences from their different faiths and backgrounds. Then, you will have the opportunity to meet and share your thoughts in break out "rooms" with other participants and a facilitator. Our speakers will close with an inspirational message.

Speakers:

Rev. Marlyn Bussey, St. James A.M.E. Zion Church Barry Dixon, St. Andrews Lutheran Church Alexis Lewis, Island United Church

Our Moderator:

Rabbi Corey Helfand, Peninsula Sinai Congregation Registration is free, but space is limited. So please register today! Suggested donation: \$20 (any amount is greatly appreciated) Go online to https://pmc-race-and-racism.eventbrite.com/

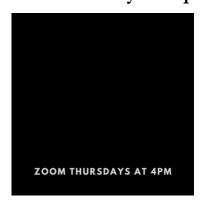
HAPPENINGS AT ST. PAUL'S (CONT'D)

Does Your Child Like to Sing?



Join the Choir School this Fall! Anchored in the Royal School of Church Music (RSCM) training program, the 2020-21 Choir School season begins with robust online offerings for grades K-12 including both small group and individual sessions with the director. We will continue virtual performances with the full choir (www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLlGnYp77OM7t4u hHFZeb6DT-c4ODGCY9C), carefully following safety guidelines record in small groups in the beautiful nave of St. Paul's, and prepare for the July 2022 residency at Wells Cathedral, England. Details at www.stpaulsburlingame.org/music. Contact Director Music. Dr. Susan Jane Matthews of smatthews@stpaulsburlingame.org for more information and for an online audition.

Zoom Thursdays at 4pm



Looking for a place to unpack your recent experiences of interrupting racism or exploring white privilege? Show up to participate: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5036568822 Meeting ID: 503 656 8822 or by calling 669-900-9128 from 4pm to 4:45pm on Thursdays.

Town Hall Recordings Available



Our community leadership hosted 2 Town Hall sessions. Thomas led us through a reflective celebration of our life and programming during the time of this pandemic. Members of the Vestry shared insights into our next steps forward as we

consider how to responsibly reopen and regather in person. Questions and comments from both the 8:45am and 10:45am sessions are included in their entirety by clicking here.

Are You Receiving St. Paul's Emails?

Are you receiving emails from St. Paul's? If not, just go



to St. Paul's website: www.StPaulsBurlingame.org and scroll to the bottom and look for the box that says:

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Samaritan House and Home & Hope are Looking for Meals

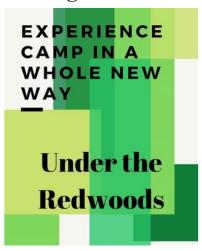
We are so grateful for all the people who have donated time and money to providing meals for the Samaritan House staff twice a week. We continue to look for funders, meal organizers and drivers as this need remains. Our average cost is \$6/lunch. We



can reimburse people up to \$330 for each meal. If you can contribute as a funder, donations of any amount are accepted via check or credit card or online on our website by clicking here. To sign-up for any of these roles, please click here or email Jocelyn directly.

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

Summer Camp at St. Dorothy's Rest has gone virtual!



As most events, summer camp St. Dorothy's has gone virtual! Got to StDorothysRest.virtual-camp.org or click on the picture above to experience the redwoods in a whole new way! Also, the summer camp staff will produce it very own reality! Click here to learn more about it!!

Music at St. Paul's on YouTube



Listen again to the growing video collection of virtual choir anthems by the Choir of St. Paul's, organ postludes, and piano works by Fanny Hensel at the YouTube Channel of Director of Music, Susan Jane Matthews.

www.youtube.com/channel/UCm80UdoD6C98mW EwF6xpnNA

Have You St. Paul's Racism Resources Yet?

St. Paul's is joining other Christian churches in being: United Against Racism. Click here to go to the webpage or

> Listen to him address our commitment by clicking on this box:



Or Listen to his full sermon dated July 5 by clicking on this box:



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ST. PAUL'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

Our campus is closed. In lieu of in-person gatherings, we will continue to gather online.

SUNDAY: July 26

Sunday Online Worship
https://www.stpaulsburlingame.org/home
(Posted Saturdays at 4pm)

Coffee Hour, 8:45am – ONLINE via Zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87884282944 or Phone in: 669-900-9128 Meeting ID: 924 5127 2686

Coffee Hour, 10:45am – ONLINE via Zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88580629168 or Phone in: 669-900-9128 Meeting ID: 941 4217 7808

Tongan/English Bible Study, 12:30pm – ONLINE via Zoom: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81775796902 or call 669-900-9128 Meeting ID: 817 7579 6902

Church of Tonga Service, 2pm, Hg – SUSPENDED

MONDAY: July 27

Monday Journey, Women's Bible Study, 1pm, ONLINE via Zoom https://zoom.us/j/836230314
or Phone in: 669-900-9128 Meeting ID: 823 318 411

TUESDAY: July 28

Weekly Staff Meeting, 10:30am, ONLINE via Zoom

WEDNESDAY: July 29

Healing Prayer Service, 4:30pm, ONLINE via Zoom email The Rev. Julie Graham for details

THURSDAY: July 30

Outreach Meeting, 9:30am, ONLINE via Zoom email Jay Janton for details

Zoom at 4pm

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5036568822 or Phone in: 669-900-9128 Meeting ID: 503 656 8822

FRIDAY: July 31

The Circle Zoom Get-together, 10:30am, ONLINE via Zoom email Charlotte Greig for details

PARISH PRAYER CALENDAR

Week of Monday, July 27, 2020

Mon. 7/27 Jed Clevenger & Kristy Duvall, Madison

Tues. 7/28 Sarah ColemanWed. 7/29 Christi Conway

Thu. 7/30 MacKenzie & Ben Cooper Fri. 7/31 Chris & Renee Cowing

Sat. 8/1 Cara Dakin, Tess, James & Thor

Sun. 8/2 Subin Dani

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 & Celebrant: Ms. Jocelyn A. Sideco, MTS **Organist & Choir Director:** Susan Jane Matthews,

DMA, ARSCM

Soloist: Elizabeth Kimble, soprano

SPECIAL THANKSGIVINGS

We give thanks for the birthdays this week of:

Heleni Luani, Dawn Mulliken, Lauren Bodenlos, Bryan Bodenlos, Rue Richey, Meredith Power, Owen Wiley, Mele Mila, Maclaine Maxwell-Mason, Rosemary Posch, Conner Bottoms, Susan Ketcham

We give thanks for the anniversaries this week of: Jack & Kathy Martin

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.

Hiroyuki Mimori, Allen Mulliken,
Michele Blair (Jake Blair), Carole Schaffer
(Amy Koch), Nan Cusulos, Tom Breice,
Renee & Bernd Kemme (Lisa Borgeson),
Wally Klevesahl (Dawn Mulliken), Mimi Butler
(Jay Janton), Ray Munoa (Chris R.), Dylan
(Alli M.), Jim Prescott (Chris R.), Murdoff
family especially Charlotte

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