



HOLY EUCHARIST
The Feast of All Souls
November 9, 2025 • 10:00am

Welcome to St. Paul's! We are grateful for your presence in worship and look forward to welcoming you into this life we share through the love of Jesus Christ! Please don't forget to silence your devices as our worship service begins.

Families are welcome to sit anywhere they would like, including our dedicated children's area in the Chapel, which features self-directed activities and books. Restrooms are located in the Parish Hall on the Occidental Avenue side of the church campus. Our worship service is live-streamed on St. Paul's YouTube Channel, where we welcome online friends to pray with us.

All are warmly invited to participate in Holy Communion at St. Paul's. If you prefer not to receive the wine, simply cross your arms over your chest as the Eucharistic Minister greets you saying, "the Blood of Christ, the Cup of Salvation." Thank you for sharing the light of your presence with our community! May God's presence be very near to you in this holy season!

Prelude 4. *Herzlich tut mich erfreuen* 5. *Schmücke dich* (from *Eleven Chorale Preludes*, Op. 122)
Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

All stand to sing stanzas 1 - 4 & 6
Processional Hymn 556

"Rejoice, ye pure in heart!" *Marion*

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be the Holy One: who creates all things.

People **God's love is new every morning. Amen.**

The people are seated. Children in the PrayGrounds are invited to an extended Children's Chapel in the Parish Hall. They will return by communion.

Introit *sung by choir in German*

Ein deutsches Requiem, Johannes Brahms

Selig sind, die da Leid tragen, denn sie sollen getröstet werden.
Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Die mit Tränen säen, werden mit Freuden ernten.
Sie gehen hin und weinen, und tragen edlen Samen,
Und kommen mit Freuden und bringen ihre Gärten.
Those who sow with tears will reap with joy.
They go forth and weep, bearing precious seeds,
And return rejoicing, bringing their sheaves.

~ Matthew 5:4; Psalm 126: 5-6

All stand.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the Maker and Redeemer of all who live: Grant to the departed the unsearchable benefits of the life-giving love of your Son; that on the day of his appearing all may be manifested as your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The people are seated.

The First Lesson

Wisdom 3: 1-9

A reading from the Book of Wisdom

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace. For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; like gold in the furnace

he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt offering he accepted them. In the time of their visitation they will shine forth, and will run like sparks through the stubble. They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them forever. Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones, and he watches over his elect.

After the reading, the reader says

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

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 84: 1, 2, 4 *sung by choir in German*

Ein deutsches Requiem, J. Brahms

Wie lieblich sind deine Wohnungen, Herr Zebaoth!

*Meine Seele verlangt und sehnet sich nach den Vorhöfen des Herrn;
mein Leib und Seele freuen sich in dem lebendigen Gott.*

How lovely are your dwellings, O Lord of hosts!

My soul yearns and longs for the courts of the Lord;
my body and soul rejoice in the living God.

*Wohl denen, die in deinem Hause wohnen,
die loben dich immerdar.*

Blessed are those who dwell in your house,
those who praise you forever more.

The Second Lesson

1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Church in Thessalonica

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord

himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

After the reading, the reader says

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

People Thanks be to God.

All stand

Alleluia

Cantor sings Alleluia. All sing Alleluia.



Cantor Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

All sing Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel

John 5: 24-27

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life, and does not come under judgment, but has passed from death to life.

"Very truly, I tell you, the hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice

of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. For just as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself; and he has given him authority to execute judgment, because he is the Son of Man."

After the Gospel, the reader says

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people are seated.

Sermon

The Rev. Sarah C. Stewart

All stand to say

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of 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.
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified.
who 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.**

Prayers of Remembrance

The Celebrant begins the prayers with

Lord of life, you made human beings in your image to reflect your truth and light: we give thanks for all whom we remember today, for the grace and mercy they received from you, for all that was good in their lives, for memories of them that we treasure.

Today, we remember those in our St. Paul's community who have died or have been laid to rest in our Columbarium during the past year, especially Howard Hinkson, Elizabeth Goerss, Gayle Carboni, Raul Galindo, Betsy Bogel, Dean Harman, Ruth Haynes, Tom Breice, Susan Paduano, Vern Jones, June Castelli, Christopher Leach.

We also pray for friends and family members of those in our community who have died, along with all whom we carry in our hearts who have gone to their eternal rest. I invite prayers of remembrance for any whom you may wish to name, either silently or aloud.

The people are invited to add their own prayers silently or aloud.

God of grace, you promise eternal life to all who receive your mercy. Bring all who rest in Christ into the fullness of your kingdom where sins have been forgiven and death has been swallowed up in life.

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Loving Shepherd, you desire that none should be lost. Gather all who feel betrayed or abandoned. Be near to the vulnerable, especially immigrants, asylum seekers, and refugees; near to all whose trust has been shaken, and all whose faith is known to you alone, that each may know your provision, peace, and life everlasting.

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Mighty Savior, you bring joy out of grief and life out of death. Look with mercy upon all who mourn. Carry us in our times of struggle, suffering, and darkness. Strengthen us by the healing power of your steadfast love.

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

God of transformation, you are tender towards your children. Your gentleness surrounds creation. Heal our memories of hurt and our failure to honor your image in one another. Give us wisdom and courage to use the time we are given here on earth to serve all whom Jesus loves, as we follow in your way of sacrificial love.

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Gentle God, you move us to compassion. We remember veterans of this nation and members of diverse tribes and nations who have laid down lives in service to peoples and countries. Transform the hatred and pride that polarize your family and destroy community through discord and division. Heal our human pain.

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Lord of kindness, you inspire our care for one another. We thank you for tenderhearted friends in this community, especially all who orchestrate St. Paul's Celebration of Life gatherings. May their ministry honor those we whom love and see no longer. Reveal your presence with us, comforting us amid loss and sorrow.

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Merciful Creator, entrusting into your care all whom you have made, we give thanks for our communion with all your faithful people, as we make our prayers through the grace of Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

Confession

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

The Absolution

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

The Peace

Celebrant The Peace of Christ be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

The people greet each other with a sign of God's peace and then are seated.

Announcements

Offertory Anthem *sung by choir in German*

Ein deutsches Requiem, J. Brahms
Mia Ayumi Malhotra, *soprano*

*Ihr habt nun Traurigkeit; aber ich will euch wieder sehen
und euer Herz soll sich freuen und eure Freude soll niemand von euch nehmen.*
You now have sorrow; but I want to see you again
And your heart shall rejoice and no one shall take your joy from you.

*Sehet mich an: Ich habe eine kleine Zeit Mühe und Arbeit gehabt,
und habe grossen Trost funden.*
Look upon me: I have toiled and labored a brief time,
And now I have found great comfort.

Ich will euch trösten, wie einen seine Mutter tröstet.
I want to comfort you, as one is comforted by his mother.

~ John 16:22; Isaiah 66:13; Ecclesiasticus 51:27

All stand to sing stanzas 1, 2 & 4
Presentation Hymn 429

“I’ll praise my maker,” *Old 113th*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who rose victorious from the dead, and comforts us with the blessed hope of everlasting life. For to your faithful people, O Lord, life is changed, not ended; and when our mortal body lies in death, there is prepared for us a dwelling place eternal in the heavens.

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All sing
Sanctus

Communion Service in F, Florence Price (1887-1953)

pp Ho - ly, *p* Ho - ly,

mp Ho - - - ly, *mf* Lord God of hosts,

ff Heav'n and earth are full, full of Thy glo - ry;

mf Glo - ry be to Thee O Lord most high. *p* A - men.

The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer, giving thanks for God's work of redemption through Jesus Christ and consecrating the bread and wine for Holy Communion. The people join in sacramental witness, speaking to the mystery of God's saving grace.

...Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Most Holy God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Christ. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us and all your saints into the joy of your eternal Reign.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory are yours, Most Blessed One, 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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Invitation to Communion

The Celebrant lifts the bread and wine saying,

The gifts of God for the people of God. If you feel drawn to this table, let nothing keep you away.

All are welcome to receive Communion. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. Ushers will see that Communion is brought to you at your seat, should you request it.

The Communion and Offering of Flowers

After receiving Communion, the people are invited to receive a rose from the Altar Guild and proceed to the back of the Church for a brief moment of prayer and to offer a flower at the Table of Remembrance by the font.

Communion Anthem *sung by choir in German*

Ein deutsches Requiem, J. Brahms

*Selig sind die Toten, die in dem Herren sterben von nun an.
Ja, der Geist spricht, dass sie ruhen von ihrer Arbeit,
denn ihre Werke folgen ihnen nach.*

Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.
Yea, the Spirit says that they may rest from their labor,
for their works follow after them.

~ Revelation 14:13

After a moment of silence, all stand as the Celebrant invites

Postcommunion Prayer

All stand as the Celebrant invites,

Let us pray.

Almighty God, we thank you that in your great love you have fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, and have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all your saints; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 486

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant: Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well pleasing in his sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Neither death nor life can separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ our Savior.
So let us go forth in the name of Christ, to share that same comfort which we have received.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia.

Please remain standing as the procession departs.

In Paradisum

Into paradise may the angels lead you, Chant

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