



ST. PAUL'S

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

A Sacred Space for Your Busy Life

Sunday, February 26, 2017, the Last Sunday after the Epiphany

We especially welcome visitors and newcomers today. Please fill out the newcomer card in the pew and place it in the collection plate or give it to a member of the clergy. Following the service, the clergy will be standing near the doors to greet you. We encourage you to join us for coffee hour in Duncan Hall. For more information about St. Paul's, please visit www.StPaulsSanRafael.org or call our office at 415.456.4842.

At St. Paul's we are all called to follow Jesus together in worship, prayer and service.

WORSHIP

The service begins on page 355 of the Book of Common Prayer (BCP)

Prelude	Jacob's Ladder	arr. Walter Ehret
Opening Hymn	Dance and Sing	<i>Insert</i>
Gloria	S-280 <i>(Service music found in front of hymnal)</i>	Hymnal
Psalm	Psalm 2	BCP p. 586
Gradual	Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia	
Prayers of the People	Form III	BCP p. 387
Offertory Hymn	488	Hymnal

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive communion. Whoever you are, wherever you are in your journey of faith, you are welcome to receive initiation into the church through the sacrament of baptism.

Eucharistic Prayer A		BCP p. 361
Sanctus	S-129	Hymnal
Fraction Anthem	S-154	Hymnal
Communion Hymn	Everywhere I Go	<i>Insert</i>
Closing Hymn	In The Day of the Lord	<i>Insert</i>
Postlude	Unfailing Love	Chris Tomlin

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Sue Mason.

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Quarterly Pulpit Swaps among the four northern Marin churches is this Sunday. Please welcome the Rev. Kirsten Snow-Spaulling while Christopher preaches at Nativity.

Ash Wednesday is March 1st. Services are at 7:30am, Noon and 6:30 pm and will be shared with Grace Marin.

Basic Discipleship begins on Saturday, March 4th at 8:30am in Duncan Hall. In this five week, hour-long class learn to pray, tell your story and healthy ways to be in a small group.

Basic Christianity concludes on March 5th from 11:30 to 12:30 in the Upper Room. Come and learn about why the church makes a difference.

The Next Death Cafe is Sunday, March 5th from 4pm to 6pm. It is the first of a program on leaving a good legacy after your death that then continues on Sundays from 11:30 to 12:30 with issues like legacy letters, planning a funeral, writing a will and advanced health care directives.

Re-Finance Your Spirituality. Invest in a 3-Day Weekend of discussion, laughter, music and superlative food. In return you get a lifetime of renewed joy and confidence in the future. Give you faith a chance to blossom and grow:

2017 Men's Cursillo Weekend- March 23-26

2017 Women's Cursillo Weekend- March 30- April 1

Contact Linda Bell for information. 408-373-3537. www.marincursillo.com

As we move into Lent, we tone down the Church to reflect the season's somber mood. No altar flowers, we replace the silver with pottery, cover all the crosses with purple. And because the pottery chalices are a little awkward to handle, requiring more use of our linens, we switch from red wine to white, to save the wear and tear on the linens. If you have questions, please reach out to Judy Rowcliffe; 415 456 4131; jrowcliffe@comcast.net.

SERVING TODAY

Preacher & Celebrant:	The Rev. Kirsten Snow-Spaulling
Choirmaster/Organist:	Michael Struck
Acolytes:	Brigitte McCulloch, Pierce Gore, Chris Olson
Readers:	Brigitte McCulloch, Pierce Gore, Jack Beggs
Altar Guild:	Brigitte McCulloch, Felicia Demann, Ann Lisk, Steve Avanzino, Holly Pritchard

CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKLY MESSAGE

We have a full Lent planned at St. Paul's. What follows is a brief rundown of some of the highlights.

Ash Wednesday is this coming Wednesday, March 1st. Services are at 7:30am, Noon and 6:30pm with the imposition of ashes.

Basic Discipleship begins on Saturday, March 4th at 8:30am. This one hour class teaches prayer, spiritual autobiography and healthy small group norms and runs for five sessions.

Death Cafe is Sunday, March 5th from 4pm to 6pm. This is an open conversation about something that happens to us all, facilitated by Chloe.

The Discipleship Group Conversation is Saturday, March 11th and is facilitated by the Rev. Ann Hallisey, the Dean of students at our local seminary, CDSP. This session, from 9am to 12:30pm, is essential preparation for hosting the PrayWorshipServe Lenten Retreat next year.

Taking Care...with the end in mind begins on Sunday, March 12th and is a four part series on preparing for a holy death through legacy letters, advanced health care directives, good funeral planning and thoughtful wills. It is Sundays from 11:30am to 12:30pm.

A Joint Vestry Retreat is on Saturday, March 18th at Nativity alongside the leadership of Nativity, Redeemer and St. Francis, our three Northern Marin Episcopal neighbors.

The Psalmathon returns on Saturday, March 25th starting at 2pm at Redeemer church. This collective reading aloud of the entire psalter should be over well before 9pm. You are welcome to drop by for just a portion of it.

Palm Sunday, which is the beginning of Holy Week, is April 9th.

Finally, please bear in mind that starting on **Monday, May 1st**, all our campus activities, with the sole exception of the preschool, will be shifted to the campus of Nativity Church for at least the month of May while the Hardin Courtyard is being installed. Plans are already well under way for how to make this all work as smoothly as possible.

These are busy and exciting times at St. Paul's.

Blessings,
Christopher

PRAYER

Arty	Deborah	Lokita	Rosa Montes
Bill Donnelly	Grace Michael	Marcella Hermstad	Ruth Orovich
Bill Tate	Jennifer Fritz	Mark Hardin	Richard F
Cathy	Kairos Inside San Quentin	Mika Kappen & Family	Sandy G
Dan Pollart & Family	Laurel	Pat David Binkley	Syrian Refugees
Dana Testa	Lisa R	Phyllis	The Rev. Stefani Schatz

SERVICE

Teen Success Breakfast: Serve hot breakfast to at-risk youth. Contact Beverly Armstrong at 415.454.4015 or nevbev@sbcglobal.net.

San Rafael Health Care: Services 1st and 3rd Sundays, 11:00 – 11:25. Help us with the simple service. Children are welcome. Contact Sue Adamson at 415.461.1798.

Prison Ministry: St. Paul's has been engaged in regular visitations and correspondence for 20 years with Joseph Cook, a death row inmate at San Quentin who was confirmed by Bishop Swing as a member of our Church. The prison ministry has grown and the rector and other parishioners are now visiting Joe and six other inmates. For further info contact Richard Olive (415.259.9198 or ollipops@comcast.net).

ONGOING

Plate Cash: 1st Sunday of the month goes to the Rector's Discretionary Fund; 3rd Sunday goes to Outreach.

Childcare: Sundays from 9:30 to 11:00am, childcare is available in the Basement Level classroom.

Children's Choir. Rehearsals on Friday afternoon and some Sundays. Contact Alison Blume at alisonblume@comcast.net

Marin Episcopal Youth Group: Sundays from 5-6:30pm at Church of the Nativity in San Rafael. Middle and high school students from 5 Marin churches. Daniel London, youth minister, daniel.london@gmail.com.

Centering Prayer: Meditation in the Christian tradition. Join us in Duncan Hall on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month, 7:00-8:30 pm. Leave a message for Chris Olson at the parish office at 415.456.4842.

Our Spiritual Core: Discipleship Groups are the spiritual core of St. Paul's because they are where we encourage one another to follow Jesus in worship, prayer, and service. Contact Christopher Martin at 415.456.4842 or cmartin@stpaulssanrafael.org.

Altar Flower Dedications: Looking for a way to honor a loved one, give thanks or remember a special occasion? You can by dedicating the flowers at the altar. A donation of \$40 is suggested. Contact Alex Elliot at 415.488.7930.

Memorial Wall Plaques: Contact the office if you would like to purchase a plaque to be inscribed with the name of a loved one who has died.

St. Anne's Guild: St. Anne's Guild meets Thursdays at 11:00am. All are invited - bring a bag lunch.

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