



ST. PAUL'S

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

A Sacred Space for Your Busy Life

Sunday, April 23, 2017, the Second Sunday in Easter

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	Battle Hymn of the Republic	
Opening Hymn	Melchizedek Alleluia	<i>Insert</i>
Gloria	S-280 <i>(Service music found in front of hymnal)</i>	Hymnal
Psalm	16	BCP p. 599
Gradual	S-236	Hymnal
Prayers of the People	Form IV	BCP p. 388
Offertory Hymn	Christ is Risen	<i>Insert</i>

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	Resucito	<i>Insert</i>
Closing Hymn	Lord of the Dance	<i>Insert</i>
Postlude	Today	

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God and in gratitude for the life of Gianna Beretta Molla.

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Death Cafe. Our next Death Cafe will be on Sunday, May 7, from 4-6pm at our new church home--Nativity. Death Cafes are gatherings for the purpose of having a safe and open conversation about any aspect of death. There is no agenda, and no expert, but there are cookies! And as you may have heard Christopher preach on Easter, it's often an uplifting experience. Chloe Martin and Pat Steuer will be hosting and facilitating this conversation, and all in the St. Paul's community and beyond are welcome to come--so feel free to bring a friend or family member (adults only please). RSVP to secure your spot. chloeadmartin@comcast.net, or call/text 415-464-7149. To learn more about Death Cafes, go to deathcafe.com

SERVING TODAY

Preacher & Celebrant:	The Rev. Kirsten Snow-Spaulding
Choirmaster/Organist:	Michael Struck
Acolytes:	Brigitte McCulloch, Chris Olson, Linda Bell
Readers:	Brigitte McCulloch, Chris Olson, Judy Rowcliffe
Altar Guild:	Brigitte McCulloch, Wendy Olson, Judy Rowcliffe, Alex Elliot

CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKLY MESSAGE

This morning the tree people came and took out the smaller of the two Pear Trees in our courtyard, one of the necessary steps before the big work on the Hardin Courtyard begins on Monday, May 1st. This is the first of a series of emails to help you get ready for our big move in May.

As a reminder, we are moving our entire operation up to Nativity Church on 333 Ellen Drive in San Rafael for the month of May while the old courtyard is being torn out and the new one installed. In this email, I want to tell you about worship.

The good news is that Sunday worship will be exactly the same schedule we're used to. Like St. Paul's, Nativity has an 8AM service without music and a 10am service with music. That schedule will continue and all of the essential duties will be divided between the two churches. So, you can stay with your usual Sunday morning rhythm, just in a different location.

Further, I ask you to consider taking at least one Sunday to worship at our other neighboring Episcopal parish of Redeemer, on 123 Knight Drive in Glenwood. At least three of you have said that you will simply worship there for the month of May. The Vicar of Redeemer, the Rev. Daniel London, has been the head of our Marin Episcopal Youth Group for the last five years and is known and loved by many of you. Their service is at 10am.

On a final note, I want to thank the many of you who made Holy Week such an extraordinarily powerful week this year. I was particularly moved to hear the depth and enthusiasm of the singing and the liturgical responses. It felt to me that we took another strong step forward in being a community grounded in the love of Jesus.

Blessings,
Christopher

PRAYER

Alex	Elizabeth S	Marcella Hermstad	The Rev. Vanessa Glass
Arty	Grace Michael	Mark Hardin	Todd C
Bill Donnelly	Jennifer Fritz	Mika Kappen & Family	
Dan Pollart & Family	Kairos Inside San Quentin	Richard F	
Della Holloway	Laurel	Rosa Montes	
Dexter Hixon	Lisa R	The Rev. Stefani Schatz	

(surgery April 17)

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.

Marin Episcopal Youth Group: Sundays from 5-6:30pm at Church of the Redeemer 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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