



# ST. PAUL'S

## EPISCOPAL CHURCH

### A Sacred Space for Your Busy Life

Sunday, October 8, 2017, the Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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](http://www.StPaulsSanRafael.org) or call our office at 415.456.4842.

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

### WORSHIP

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

Prelude	Harmonious Blacksmith	George R. Handel
Opening Hymn	625	Hymnal
Gloria	S-280	Hymnal
Psalm	19	BCP p. 606
Gradual	S-236	Hymnal
Nicene Creed		BCP p. 358
Prayers of the People	Form III	BCP p. 387
Offertory Hymn	474	Hymnal
Doxology	<i>Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen</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 B		BCP p. 367
Sanctus	S-130	Hymnal
Fraction Anthem	S-154	Hymnal
Communion Music	Ave Maria	Schubert
Closing Hymn	544	Hymnal
Postlude	Eine Kleine Nachtmusik	W. A. Mozart

The Altar Flowers are given by Nancy Skinner to the glory of God  
and in loving memory of her husband, John Temple Skinner.

## THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Funeral Today.** The funeral for Tim Hixon is this afternoon at 2:30 pm in the Church.

**St. Anne's Book Sale!** The annual St. Anne's Book Sale is next weekend. Saturday from 10am to 3pm and Sunday from 9am to noon.

**The Blessing of the Hardin Courtyard** will be on Sunday, October 22nd following the 10am service. There will be a community photograph, taken from the second floor of the education wing, that will go up in Duncan Hall, so be sure to be there!

**Open House** for all parishioners and all recent newcomers to St. Paul's at the Martin House in San Anselmo will be on Sunday, October 29th from 4pm to 6pm. Contact Christopher or Chloe for directions at [c.h.mrtn@gmail.com](mailto:c.h.mrtn@gmail.com) or [chloeadmartin@comcast.net](mailto:chloeadmartin@comcast.net).

**Tuesday Afternoon Sit.** You are welcome to join a small group of parishioners who do a 20 minute meditation sit in the church on Tuesdays at 5pm.

**Thursday Bible Study** is at 6:15pm in the Upper Room. We are reading the letters of Paul.

**Tuesday and Thursday Morning Prayer** is at 7:30 am in the Church.

**Wednesday Bible Study** is at 10am. We continue our study of the book of Acts.

## SERVING TODAY

Preacher & Celebrant:	The Rev. Christopher Martin
Choirmaster/Organist:	Michael Struck
Acolytes:	Jim Terstegge, Chris Hammond, Pierce Gore
Readers:	Jim Terstegge, Chris Hammond, Jack Beggs
Altar Guild:	Mike Green, Linda Danford, Walter Tanner, Jane Santucci

## CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKLY MESSAGE

A Rich Month

As you saw from yesterday's emails, it's an important weekend for the St. Paul's community with Jae's funeral on Friday and Tim's on Sunday. In addition, each of the following four weekends has something of great significance.

- **The St. Anne's Book Sale** is Saturday October 14th from 10am to 3pm and Sunday the 15th from 9am to noon. As usual, because the books have come from many of your libraries, it's an outstanding collection to choose from!
- **The Blessing of the Hardin Courtyard** is Sunday, October 22nd after the 10am service. This will include an all parish photograph taken in the courtyard from the second floor of the education wing.
- **The Fall Open House at the Martin Home** in San Anselmo is on Sunday, October 29th from 4pm to 6pm. All are welcome to our home and newcomers are particularly encouraged.
- **A Brunch to Celebrate Gratitude** will be offered by the Vestry, which is our governing board, on Sunday, November 5th in Duncan Hall following the 10am service. This Sunday is our in-gathering Sunday where we gather all your pledges for 2018. In the next week or so you'll be getting your stewardship letter and pledge card. Please respond prayerfully and generously!

As we put the finishing touches on our ambitious campus work for 2018, it is clear that we have so much to be grateful for at St. Paul's.

Blessings,  
Christopher

## PRAYER

Arty	Deborah	Jim	Mark Hardin
Bill Donnelly	Della Holloway	Kevin & Tara	Mika Kappen & Family
Brenda Paupst	Gary Westover	Laurel	Nancy S
Candace H	Gina	Laurie Hubbard	Richard F
Dan Pollart & Family	Grace Michael	Lisa R	Stephanie
Dawn Rice	Jennifer Fritz	Marcella Hermstad	Tim Hixon

## 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 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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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