

A Sacred Space for Your Busy Life

Sunday, October 19, 2014, the Nineteenth 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 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	Prelude	Alexandre Boely
Opening Hymn	371	Hymnal
Gloria	S-280 (S)ervice music found in front of hymnal	Hymnal
Psalm	99	BCP p. 728
Gradual	S-236	Hymnal
Prayers of the People	Form III	BCP p. 387
Offertory Anthem	But the Lord	Felix Mendelssohn

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All haptized 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 haptism.

Eucharistic Prayer A		BCP p. 361
Sanctus	S-130	Hymnal
Fraction Anthem	S-154	Hymnal
Closing Hymns	321, 314	Hymnal
Postlude	Toccata	Alexandre Boely

The Altar Flowers are given by Scott Hastings to the glory of God and in loving memory of his parents, Sarah Jane and Tom Hastings.

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

St. Anne's Appreciation. Join the Vestry and other parish leaders this afternoon, from 4pm to 6pm at the Martin's House in San Anselmo, to give thanks to the generous and hardworking participating members of the St. Anne's Guild. We wouldn't be here today without them.

Jewelry Please. St. Anne's very much needs jewelry for the bazaar/rummage sale. It can be brought to church Sundays and given to Felicia Demann or any member of St. Anne's.

Marin Morning Prayer. This simple, lay lead half hour service is every Tuesday and Thursday at 7:30am in the church. Experience the beauty of our sacred space in a new way. Like many, make this a regular and spiritually nourishing part of your week.

SERVING TODAY

Preacher & Celebrant: The Rev. Christopher H. Martin

Choirmaster/Organist: Michael Struck

Acolytes: Mike Green, Ronnie Dodds, Ann Lisk, Linda Bell Readers: Mike Green, Ronnie Dodds, Judy Rowcliffe

Altar Guild: Katie Taggart, Joy Moss, Al Petrie, Steve Avanzino, Pamela Barnes

Ushers: Neville Armstrong, Dante Filippetto Hospitality: Katie Taggart, Alice and Bob King

CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKLY MESSAGE

Dear Members of the St. Paul's Household,

Each year, I try to write a meaningful letter, encouraging you to renew and perhaps even increase your annual pledge to St. Paul's in support of the amazing work we do at Church and for the San Rafael community. This year, we decided to shake things up a bit. With sincere apologies to the Late Show with David Letterman, and with thanks for creative help from a friend, here are Top Ten Reasons to Tithe:

- 10. Knowing you and St. Paul's are helping some of San Rafael's poorest, most marginalized citizens, especially those who are hungry and homeless: 5-7% of EVERY one of your pledges goes directly to our seven Outreach programs.
- 9. You won't have to suddenly, very carefully, examine the Church's ceiling when the plate is passed each Sunday.
- 8. You're providing support for St. Paul's thriving community which represents a diversity in income, housing, ethnicity and age not often found in Marin County.
- 7. St. Paul's makes it easy to deepen your relationship with Jesus through our Discipleship Groups, even though you might not dare to mention His name at an upcoming Christmas party.
- 6. You're growing the next generation of Episcopalians through our Marin Episcopal Youth Group, a fun program that explores our beliefs with young people from other area churches.
- 5. Astonish and impress your friends when you drive by San Quentin and say, "People from my Church are on Death Row."
- 4. Music Director Mike Struck will continue to bring gorgeous music and amazing musicians into our Sacred Space.
- 3. We're financially prudent we've maintained balanced budgets for the past eight years. That means your pledge will be spent wisely.
- 2. You'll get a birthday card, on time, from the St. Anne's Guild, just one of their community-serving projects. Can you say that about your own kids?

And the number one reason to tithe...

1. God will thank you. In His own time.

Please pledge generously today by filling out the enclosed card and either mailing it or bringing it to church on Sunday, November 9th. This year, for the first time, you can also pledge online. Send an email to Shelley at StPauls94901@gmail.com to find out how.

What's in your Top Ten?

Faithfully, Christopher

PRAYER

Children of Garagosh, Iraq Paula Anne Jay Taggart Arin D Chloe H Sally Etting Iude Chris & Jennifer M Sandy Bourne Baby Alexis Ken Asay Bill M Dan Pollart Lisa Rose Sarah

Blaine Marshall Deborah Liza Stephen Topol

Bob Holloway Fatemeh & Raha R M The People of West Africa

Bonnie Cohen Felicia's family in Liberia Matt Peterson Yvonne Andersen

Bret Greg Owen Charlotte & Peter Hollis & Lori Patricia R

SERVICE

Teen Success Breakfast: Serve hot breakfast to at-risk youth. Contact Keira Vicente at 684.2670 or keiravicente@yahoo.com.

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

Prison Ministry: St. Paul's has been engaged in regular visitations and correspondence for 17 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 four other parishioners are now visiting Joe and three other inmates. In the coming weeks there will be more information about this growing ministry, including opportunities for everyone to be involved in an action heralded by Christ in Matthew 25:36: "I was in prison and you came to visit me." Are you being called to this ministry, perhaps by corresponding with one of the four inmates we've been visiting? For further info contact Richard Olive (415.259.9198 or ollipops@comcast.net).

Young Moms Marin: On Fridays, St. Paul's is now hosting Young Moms Marin, a group for mostly teen moms and their children led by our friend Teresa Ashby. The group meets from 3pm to 5:30pm in Duncan Hall.

ONGOING

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

Godly Play: Sundays in Room 6. Kindergarten thru 3rd grade. Meet in the courtyard at 9:45am.

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 Nativity in San Rafael. Middle and high school students from 5 Marin churches. Daniel London, youth minister.

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 The Rev. Christopher Martin.

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.

Bible Studies: Tuesdays from 12:30 to 1:30, Wednesdays from 10 to 11:15; all in Duncan Hall.

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