



ST. PAUL'S

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

A Sacred Space for Your Busy Life

Sunday, April 19, 2015, Third 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	Christ lag in Todesbanden	J. S. Bach
Opening Hymn	174	Hymnal
Gloria	S-280 <i>(Service music found in front of hymnal)</i>	Hymnal
Psalm	4	BCP p. 587
Gradual	Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia	
Prayers of the People	Form IV	BCP p. 388
Offertory	Laudate Dominum	W. A. Mozart

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	186	Hymnal
Closing Hymn	195	Hymnal
Postlude	Prelude in A minor	J. S. Bach

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

ATTENTION READERS. St. Paul's will be hosting our annual book sale on May 2nd. and 3rd. We need your books! Please take a few minutes to check your bookcases, shelves, and stacks. We need and take all gently used books. Hardback and paper back. All subjects, children books, crafts, fiction and non fiction. Thank you for taking the time in your busy life to help us make this sale a success. St. Anne's Guild

CURSILLO WEEKENDS. The weekend of the 19th and the weekend of the 26th will see people from St. Paul's participate in this retreat-like short course in the Christian faith. Please especially pray for parishioners Steve Avanzino and Janie Burtch as they will be the leaders of these Men's and Women's Cursillo weekends. If you haven't had this great experience, look to next year!

BLESSING THE SOLAR PANELS. On Sunday, May 17th we will have a special blessing of our new solar panels, which by then will be up and running, including a tablet mounted on the wall in Duncan Hall showing how almost all of our energy will be from a renewable source! Leaders of American Solar will be here to explain to us this great technology.

NEWCOMER PARTY. All who are new to St. Paul's in the recent past are welcome to come to the Martin's house in San Anselmo on Sunday, May 17th from 4pm to 6pm. Save the date now, more information coming soon.

SERVING TODAY

Preacher & Celebrant:	The Rev. Jim Ward
Choirmaster/Organist:	Michael Struck
Acolytes:	Michael Green, Dawn Rice, Demelza Rice, Chris Olson
Readers:	Michael Green, Dawn Rice, Judy Rowcliffe
Altar Guild:	Katie Taggart, Joy Moss, Al Petrie, Steve Avanzino, Pamela Barnes
Hospitality:	Katie Taggart, Alice and Bob King

CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKLY MESSAGE

This morning, Easter morning, I have the joy of welcoming to our worship people I've not seen before, and people I see rarely. At the announcement time I have just a few minutes to give a welcome that might inspire a few to come back or to come more regularly. What might I say?

This morning I say three things, three things I invite you to remember as reasons to bring St. Paul's deeper into your heart and into the hearts of your friends and family:

- This sacred space could be, not just a place you visit, but a true home for you. Imagine what might happen if you came so regularly that it shapes you and welcomes you like a home. (And Oh, the music!)
- Every Sunday, at the 10am service, there's a line of people from the altar to the Rosette window who are from age 2 to 92. Where else do you find a such a multi-generational family that you too can be a part of?
- Our watchwords are PrayWorshipServe. Here, we take the practice of Christianity seriously. Many pray for 20 minutes a day and our priest has a passion for helping each person find their own best way to pray. We have seven different ways groups of us lovingly serve the poor in Marin- from the homeless, to the isolated elderly, to our most troubled and stressed youth, to our brothers in San Quentin.

Why do we do all this? Just because Jesus asked us to do them and he's our teacher.

There you have it. Our beautiful space, our deep and broad community and the rigor of our spiritual practice.

I'm in. How about you?

Happy Easter. He is risen! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Joyfully,
Christopher

*Each week our rector, The Rev. Christopher H. Martin, sends an email message.
Email him at cmartin@stpaulssanrafael.org to get on the list*

PRAYER

Arin D	Fr. Pinto	Jim Thomas	Rainie Joses
Arlene	George Westfall	Joan Von der Heiden	Rose von Buchau
Blaine Marshall	Gerry O	Kathy G	Sally Ettling
Charlotte & Peter	Greg	Ken Asay	Stephen Topol
Chloe H	Hollis & Lori	Kevin, Yvonne & Kendrick	The People of West Africa
Chris & Jennifer M	Jason	Lisa Rose	Tim Hixon
Dan Pollart & Family	Jay Taggart	Lori & Rich Mentel	Walter Dodds
Dorothy Smith	Jeffrey Katz	Norman Rosenstein	
Felicia's family in Liberia	Jennifer Fritz	Rachel Wilde	

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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