



ST. PAUL'S

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

A Sacred Space for Your Busy Life

Sunday, October 25, 2015, the Twenty Second 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	Near the Cross	William Doane
Opening Hymn	490	Hymnal
Gloria	S-280 <i>(Service music found in front of hymnal)</i>	Hymnal
Psalm	34:1-8, 19-22	BCP p. 627
Gradual	S-247	Hymnal
Prayers of the People	Form IV	BCP p. 388
Offertory Hymn	602	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-130	Hymnal
Fraction Anthem	S-154	Hymnal
Communion Hymn	At the Table of Jesus	<i>Insert</i>
Closing Hymn	In the Day of the Lord	<i>Insert</i>
Postlude	Quiet Hills	

The Altar Flowers are given by Carolyn and Ripley Hunter to the glory of God and in gratitude for their family.

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Memorial Plaques. Do you have a loved one who has died whose life you'd like to honor with a Memorial Plaque on our beautiful marble wall? If so, please contact Larry Santucci at ljsantucci@aol.com. Larry will soon be putting in an order for a new set of plaques.

St. Anne's Guild. St. Anne's Guild, a warm and welcoming group dedicated to raising money for the benefit of St. Paul's, would be happy to have new members. All members of St. Paul's are invited to join. The group meets in Duncan Hall at 11:00 a.m. each Thursday for an hour of working on projects. **Members have access to our wide variety of yarn, knitting needles and craft materials for creating warm stuff for children and the under-privileged.** This is followed by an hour for lunch and happy conversation. Bring your lunch and we will have tea and cookies for you. We are looking forward to our annual book sale in the spring but, sadly, we won't be hosting our annual bazaar this year. Those of you who will miss that event, join us to be an important part of creating one next year.

SERVING TODAY

Preacher & Celebrant:	The Rev. Christopher Martin
Choirmaster/Organist:	Michael Struck
Acolytes:	Brigitte McCulloch, Chris Olson, Demelza Rice
Readers:	Brigitte McCulloch, Chris Olson, Judy Rowcliffe
Altar Guild:	Brigitte McCulloch, Wendy Olson, Lena Supsupin, Judy Rowcliffe, Alex Elliot
Hospitality:	Katie Taggart, Lena Supsupin, Rose Lapicto

CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKLY MESSAGE

This week we will send out nearly 1000 letters. Many of us are busy worker bees folding and stuffing and stamping to send important letters to two different groups.

Tomorrow, a one page letter will go to nearly all of you that concisely describes who we are and where we're going and the importance of your money to help us get there. Yes, it's our annual stewardship drive, where we ask how much we can expect from each member of St. Paul's so that we can create a responsible, balanced budget, which is what we've done every year for the past ten years. Please give generously.

Today, a letter goes out to 604 local businesses sharing the good news of St. Paul's. In an effort to engage more deeply the community of San Rafael and the larger community of Marin, we've joined the Chamber of Commerce. We hope that one fruit of our Outreach will be that people recognize what an active and important citizen of Marin St. Paul's is, and what a treasure our campus is- it's a treasure used by over 500 people a week!

We hope some businesses might see the benefit in supporting our current effort to create a courtyard gathering place that's safe, accessible and beautiful. But even more, we are making such a difference with our Outreach and we believe there could be mutual benefit to both local businesses and to St. Paul's if we find ways to partner together.

Jesus says don't hide your light under a bushel basket. Thank you to Maggie, Jay and Judy who are leading this exciting new effort of letting our light shine before Marin.

Finally, please know that we have postponed the Service as Spiritual Practice workshop for this Saturday. My colleagues and I intend to offer it in Lent, with hopefully enough lead time to communicate it adequately.

Blessings,
Christopher

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

PRAYER

Alice	Gael Shumway	Kathy G	Rich B
Blaine Marshall	Gary Pennington	Kevin, Yvonne & Kendrick	Sally Ettling
Charlotte & Peter	Gerry O	Lisa Rose	Sarah
Chloe H	Jay Taggart	Norman Rosenstein	Stephen Topol
Craig Family	Jennifer Fritz	Mika Kappen & Family	Syrian Refugees
Dan Pollart & Family	Jim & Jane Passman	Monique Unger & Family	Tim Hixon
Daphne	Jonathan B	Rachel Wilde	Walter Dods
Fire Victims	Jonathan Smith	Rainie Joses	

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 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. Contact Carolyn Eitel at 415.214.2560 or ceitel@mvmgmt.com.

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 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 Judy Rowcliffe at 415.606.4355 or jlrowcliffe@comcast.net.

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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