



ST. PAUL'S

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

A Sacred Space for Your Busy Life

Sunday, January 17, 2016, the Second Sunday after the Epiphany

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)

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| Prelude | Fugue | Josef Seeger |
| Opening Hymn | 135 | Hymnal |
| Gloria | S-280 <i>(S)ervice music found in front of hymnal</i> | Hymnal |
| Psalm | 36:5-10 | BCP p. 632 |
| Gradual | Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia | |
| Prayers of the People | Form III | BCP p. 387 |
| Offertory Anthem | Adoramus Te | Giovanni Martini |

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.

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| Eucharistic Prayer A | | BCP p. 361 |
| Sanctus | S-130 | Hymnal |
| Fraction Anthem | S-154 | Hymnal |
| Communion Hymn | 132 | Hymnal |
| Closing Hymn | 138 | Hymnal |
| Postlude | Toccata | Josef Seeger |

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Laurretta Klarkowski.

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Annual Meeting. Sunday Feb. 7th. This essential meeting summarizes the year past and drives us forward into the new year together. 11:15am.

Photo Directory. Church directory photos will be taken on Feb. 11th between 1pm and 8:30pm, and on Feb. 12th between 11am and 7:00pm. Schedule your appointment online through St. Paul's website or contact Steve Avanzino at 415-454-7873. Steve will also be signing up people in Duncan Hall after the 10:00 worship.

Children's Choir. We started a children's choir in December. Rehearsals continue on Friday afternoon and on some Sundays. Contact Alison Blume at alisonblume@comcast.net.

Your Next Spiritual Step? There are seven weekly or biweekly ways you can learn, pray and grow spiritually at St. Paul's beyond weekly worship and regular service of the poor:

- Sunday Forum every week from 9:00am to 9:40am. We're currently exploring the nature of our souls.
- Morning Prayer every Tuesday at 7:30am.
- Bible Studies on Tuesdays (12:30pm), Wednesdays (10am) and on Thursday evenings (6:15pm).
- Christian meditation on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of every month at 7pm.
- Discipleship Groups, which are small groups with a longer term commitment focused on spiritual maturity and loving community with the poor.

Talk to Christopher to find out more about any of these.

SERVING TODAY

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| Preacher & Celebrant: | The Rev. Christopher Martin |
| Choirmaster/Organist: | Michael Struck |
| Acolytes: | Jacob Moody, Chris Hammond, Eric Guastavino |
| Readers: | Jacob Moody, Chris Hammond, Neville Armstrong |
| Altar Guild: | Katie Taggart, Joy Moss, Al Petrie, Steve Avanzino, Pamela Barnes |
| Hospitality: | Katie Taggart, Alice and Bob King |

CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKLY MESSAGE

The first quarter of 2016 is unusually full at St. Paul's. Last week I sent a series of four emails that outlined many activities under the categories of "Together," "Prayer," "Worship," and "Service." These four are words from our mission statement.

This week, I send to you a simple calendar with the major events through March. This list does not include the weekly and bi-weekly events.

1/30 Training for Sunday Morning. If you usher, altar guild, acolyte, read, offer hospitality or you would like to do one of these, come to this two hour Saturday training. Youth are particularly encouraged to come. Saturday. 9am to 11am.

2/7 Annual Meeting. Sunday. 11:15am to 1pm. Lunch Included.

2/10 Ash Wednesday. Wednesday. 7:30am, Noon, 6:30pm.

2/11 and 2/12 Picture Taking for Our New Photo Directory. Go here on our website and click "Photo Directory : Sign up for Your Session" to schedule a time.

2/28 Open House at the Martin's. An all generations, all community event at our home in San Anselmo. Sunday. 4pm to 6pm.

3/5 Discipleship Group Workshop. Saturday. 9am to 11am.

3/20 to 3/27 Holy Week: Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, the Easter Vigil and Easter Morning.

There's a lot going on. But the good news is that if you make these things a priority in your life, I firmly believe that, by God's grace, you will know the love of community and the love of God in a new and deeper way. We aren't doing these things just to do them. We do them for love of God and neighbor, just as Jesus taught.

Blessings,
Christopher

PRAYER

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| Charlotte & Peter | Gerry O | Kathy G | Rachel Wilde |
| Chloe H | Helenclore Cox | Kevin, Yvonne & Kendrick | Rainie Joses |
| Craig Family | Jay Taggart | Lisa Rose | Robyne Talley |
| Dan Pollart & Family | Jennifer Fritz | Lokita | Sally Ettling |
| Felicia Demann | Jim & Jane Passman | Mika Kappen & Family | San Bernardino victims & town |
| Fire Victims | Jonathan B | Monique Unger & Family | Stephen Topol |
| Gael Shumway | Jonathan Smith | Norman Rosenstein | Syrian Refugees |
| Gary Pennington | Julia Klare | People of Paris | Walter Dods |

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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