



ST. PAUL'S

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

A Sacred Space for Your Busy Life

Sunday, September 25, 2016, 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	Poor Man Lazurus	Jester Hairston
Opening Hymn	648	Hymnal
Gloria	S-277 <i>(Service music found in front of hymnal)</i>	Hymnal
Psalm	91:1-6, 14-16	BCP p. 719
Gradual	S-247	Hymnal
Offertory Hymn	693	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	This, This is the Day	<i>Insert</i>
Closing Hymn	Sing to the Lord, Alleluia	<i>Insert</i>
Postlude	Awake My Soul	Brock Human

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Rose Heilman.

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Community Meeting about the Hardin Courtyard is today, September 25th, from 11:15 to 12:15 in Duncan Hall. The Vestry and other lay leaders will be reporting on the work done over the summer towards the completion of this legacy project for our next generation.

Sunday Afternoons have just gotten richer in ministry with the addition of a 5pm Eucharist and a 6pm Forum. This shared ministry of St. Paul's, Redeemer and Nativity is at Nativity. The first topic of the forum is exploring God's repeated statement in scripture and sacrament 'do not fear.'

St. Anne's Book Sale will be the weekend of October 8th and 9th. Keep bringing in your great used books!

SERVING TODAY

Preacher & Celebrant:	The Rev. Christopher Martin
Choirmaster/Organist:	Michael Struck
Acolytes:	Brigitte McCulloch, Ronnie Dodds, Eric Guastavino
Readers:	Brigitte McCulloch, Ronnie Dodds, Dennis Puccinelli
Altar Guild:	Brigitte McCulloch, Wendy Olson, Judy Rowcliffe, Alex Elliot

CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKLY MESSAGE

First of all, I'm pleased to announce that the debut of the Sunday afternoon experience this past weekend was a success. There were a dozen people at the 5pm Eucharist and it had a very sweet, mellow, sacred feel. We now have another option for worship in the beauty of holiness. The Marin Episcopal Youth Group is off to a strong start for its fifth year. Finally, the Colloquium had fourteen of us in lively discussion about good and bad 'fear' in the Bible. Join us at Nativity on Sunday afternoons!

This weekend is another big one. Then things settle down a bit.

On Saturday, from 9am to noon is the Discipleship Group Workshop. Come to strengthen your Discipleship Group, get on a path to join a Discipleship Group, or just find out what these things are all about.

On Sunday, from 11:15am to 12:15pm is an all-community meeting about the Hardin Courtyard. Your Vestry has done great, deep work over the summer and we are excited to share with you what we have discovered and to receive your thoughts and reactions. Maggie, Jay, Pat, Larry, John and Steve have done particularly important work for us and have important things to share.

We continue to take strong and decisive steps toward becoming the kind of Christian community prepared to survive and thrive in our increasingly secular age.

Blessings,
Christopher

PRAYER

Arty	John Leydecker	Nancy S (surgery 9/6)	Syrian Refugees
Bill Tate	Kairos Inside San Quentin	Phyllis	The Rev. Stefani Schatz
Cathy	Laurel	Rainie Joses	
Dan Pollart & Family	Lisa R	Rosa Montes	
Grace Michael	Lokita	Ruth Orovich	
Jennifer Fritz	Mika Kappen & Family	Sandy G	

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 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.

Children's Choir. Rehearsals on Friday afternoon and some Sundays. Contact Alison Blume at alisonblume@comcast.net

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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