

## A Sacred Space for Your Busy Life

Sunday, October 23, 2016, the Twenty Third 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	These Three Are the Treasures	Colin Hodgetts
Opening Hymn	711	Hymnal
Gloria	S-277 (S)ervice music found in front of hymnal	Hymnal
Psalm	65	BCP p. 672
Gradual	S-247	Hymnal
Offertory Hymn	The Cry of the Poor	Insert

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	The Song of the Supper	Insert
Closing Hymn	Standin' in the Need of Prayer	Insert
Postlude	And All The People Said Amen	Matt Maher

The Altar Flowers are given by Carolyn and Ripley Hunter to the glory of God and in loving memory of their brothers.

# THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

**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.'

## SERVING TODAY

Preacher & Celebrant: The Rev. Christopher Martin

Choirmaster/Organist: Michael Struck

Acolytes: Brigitte McCulloch, Pamela Barnes, Linda Bell Readers: Brigitte McCulloch, Pamela Barnes, Judy Rowcliffe

Altar Guild: Brigitte McCulloch, Wendy Olson, Judy Rowcliffe, Alex Elliot

## CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKLY MESSAGE

There are a series of conversations going on right now at St. Paul's each of which represent the slow, good, deep progress of St. Paul's to greater health, strength and clarity.

- The Hardin Courtyard. Thanks particularly to hard work by Larry and Pat, we are just weeks away from taking plans to the city and out to bid. Many drafts of plans and thoughtful conversations with the school are a part of the mix.
- Our 150th. All three of our weekly Bible Studies have been engaged in fruitful conversation of who we are, how essential our witness is to the health and goodness of Marin and how, with our upcoming 150th, we can better take our place in the public world of Marin.
- An MOU. We are in the process of affirming an MOU, or Memorandum of Understanding, with several other Episcopal Churches in Marin. This MOU builds on great initiatives like the Marin Episcopal Youth Group, our new Sunday at 5pm Eucharist and our shared outreach, to strengthen the impact of all of our parishes.
- The PrayWorshipServe Retreat. We will soon announce that St. Paul's will be hosting a three day retreat in Lent of 2018 to help people from around the country follow the seven core Christian practices and create Discipleship Groups. All hands on deck!
- Stewardship. The first of several letters goes out today asking for your generous financial pledge for our common work in 2017. We are on the cusp of a new season of health and vitality and are asking for your investment in our shared future.

Let us, as St. Paul wrote, press on toward the goal of our heavenly call.

Faithfully, Christopher

### **PRAYER**

Jennifer Fritz Lokita Rosa Montes Arty Bill Tate John Levdecker Mika Kappen & Family Ruth Orovich Kairos Inside San Quentin Cathy Nancy S (surgery 9/6) Sandy G Phyllis Syrian Refugees Dan Pollart & Family Laurel

Grace Michael Lisa R Rainie Joses The Rev. Stefani Schatz

#### **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 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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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