



ST. PAUL'S

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

A Sacred Space for Your Busy Life

Sunday, January 22, 2017, the Third 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)

Prelude	Singing Hallelujah	Susan Mack
Opening Hymn	490	Hymnal
Gloria	S-280 <i>(Service music found in front of hymnal)</i>	Hymnal
Psalm	27:1, 5-13	BCP p. 617
Gradual	Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia	
Prayers of the People	Form III	BCP p. 387
Offertory Hymn	The Summons	<i>Insert</i>

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	One Bread, One Body	<i>Insert</i>
Closing Hymn	Christ Be Our Light	<i>Insert</i>
Postlude	Light Your World	Chris Rice

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Basic Christianity begins today after the 10:00 service in the Upper Room. This five part class, from 11:30 to 12:30 on Sundays, tells the whole Christian story from creation to the end. It includes time for discussion.

Stop Hunger Now will be in Duncan Hall this afternoon from 12:45 to 3pm. Join Christians from Redeemer and Nativity to assemble meals for the most hungry people in the world. Sign up online after the service on Christopher's lap top.

Two Funerals on Two Saturdays. The next two Saturdays we have the funerals of two beloved members of St. Paul's. Rainie Jones' is on the 28th at 11am and Paul Temple's is on February 4th at 11am.

Open House. Christopher and Chloe are hosting a St. Paul's Open House at their home in San Anselmo on Sunday, January 29th from 4pm to 6pm. This is always a ton of fun. Be there!

The Annual Meeting is on Sunday, February 5th at 11:15. In this essential meeting we elect new members of the Deanery and the Vestry, review the year that has past, and look forward to the year to come.

Re-Finance Your Spirituality. Invest in a 3-Day Weekend of discussion, laughter, music and superlative food. In return you get a lifetime of renewed joy and confidence in the future. Give you faith a chance to blossom and grow:

2017 Men's Cursillo Weekend- March 23-26

2017 Women's Cursillo Weekend- March 30- April 1

Contact Linda Bell for information. 408-373-3537. www.marincursillo.com

SERVING TODAY

Preacher & Celebrant:	The Rev. Christopher Martin
Choirmaster/Organist:	Michael Struck
Acolytes:	Brigitte McCulloch, Chris Olson, Demelza Rice
Readers:	Brigitte McCulloch, Chris Olson, Kate Sprague
Altar Guild:	Michael Green, Joy Moss, Al Petrie, Pamela Barnes

CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKLY MESSAGE

Last Thursday at 6:15 we began a slow read of Paul's great, short letter to the Philippians. Since the beginning of the year, both of my Bible studies have shifted the way we approach the text. On both Wednesdays at 10am and Thursdays at 6:15pm, we are reading the text in small chunks, without any commentary. We can do this because the books we are reading are the letters from the New Testament, which are absolutely packed with rich sayings. Nearly every verse makes intriguing and sometimes startling claims about God and about us.

Come and join us. You don't need to be an expert or even have ever read the Bible before. We are taking the text a paragraph at a time and carefully and creatively applying these words to our own lives and beliefs. I believe the ancient truth that scripture shapes our imaginations for the good. Do you?

Blessings,
Christopher

PRAYER

Arty	Grace Michael	Mark Hardin	Roger Titus
Bill Donnelly	Jane F	Mika Kappen & Family	Rosa Montes
Bill Tate	Jennifer Fritz	Mike R	Ruth Orovich
Cathy	Kairos Inside San Quentin	Pat David Binkley	Sandy G
Dan Pollart & Family	Laurel	Paul Temple	Susan Bowman
Dana Testa	Lisa R	Peter	Syrian Refugees
Deborah	Lokita	Phyllis	The Rev. Stefani Schatz
Gina	Marcella Hermstad	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 20 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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