

# A Sacred Space for Your Busy Life

Sunday, February 11, 2018, the Last 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 prayer, worship, and service.

## WORSHIP

The service begins on page 355 of the Book of Common Prayer (BCP)

Prelude	Andante	G. F. Handel
Opening Hymn	129	Hymnal
Gloria	S-280 (S)ervice music found in front of hymnal	Hymnal
Psalm	50:1-6	BCP p. 654
Gradual	Alleluia	
Prayers of the People	Form III	BCP p. 387
Offertory Anthem	Da Pacem Domine	Melchior Franck
Doxology	Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;	
	Praise God, all creatures here below;	
	Praise God above, ye heav'nly host:	
	Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen	

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
Closing Hymn	137	Hymnal
Postlude	Sing for Joy	G. F. Handel

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Ann Hanson.

# THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

**San Francisco Boys Chorus.** A warm welcome to the San Francisco Boys Chorus who are providing the music for today's 10:00 service.

**St. Paul's Book Club** will meet on Feb. 16th at 7 p.m. in Duncan Hall. The book we will be discussing is "The Lost City of the Monkey God" by Douglas J. Preston. This is an archaeological adventure story in Honduras. There are snakes!

Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent, is February 14th and we have services at 7:30am, Noon and 6:30pm. We will be sharing services with Grace Marin as has been our custom in recent years.

Wednesdays of Lent, through the month of March, there will be a Eucharist service at 7:30am in the church.

**Thank You from Death Row.** From one of our friends, RC: "i have at least fourteen christmas greetings from saint paul's!!! wow! and each was as beautiful as the next one. God is good all the time and all the time God is good!!! I will not write their names down for I could miss one or two! But if you will, you can thank the congregation for those who sent cards out to all at San Quentin. I am sure each of us was richly blessed and very grateful. All of (that) love, such as yours, Elesia's and Pastor Chris,' is God's love taught through humans at St. Paul's. Thank you."

#### 2018 Lenten Retreat for Lay Leaders & Clergy

We created the PrayWorshipServe Retreat as a natural expression of The Restoration Project (TRP), which has initiated Discipleship Groups at Episcopal Parishes nationwide. February 22-25, we will be hosting up to 80 people (including, we hope – you!) from around the country to explore how to become better Christians in this increasingly secular world. As many of you know, at the heart of TRP are small groups nurturing love of Jesus by regular practice of three Christian traditions: prayer, worship and service through seven scripture-based vows. Please join us as we explore the vows, care & feeding of D-Groups, see the world premiere of Christopher's one-person performance of "Pelican", enjoy amazing food and share our love of Jesus.

Cost: \$599/person with accommodations at Ralston White Retreat Center; \$249/person without accommodations, includes meals (no cost for St. Paul's parishioners).

For more info please talk with Jacob Moody, Judy Rowcliffe or Christopher Martin. Sign up: http://www.prayworshipserve.com

# SERVING TODAY

Preacher & Celebrant:	The Rev. Christopher Martin
Choirmaster/Organist:	Michael Struck
Acolytes:	Brigitte McCulloch, Eric Guastavino
Readers:	Brigitte McCulloch, Eric Guastavino, Katy Dombrosky
Altar Guild:	Brigitte McCulloch, Felicia Demann, Judy Rowcliffe, Holly Pritchard

# CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKLY MESSAGE

#### LENT, RETREAT

Two things in the next two weeks:

 Ash Wednesday is this coming Wednesday, the 14th. Services are at 7:30am, Noon and 6:30pm. It's also Valentine's Day, so here's a poem: Roses are Red, Violets are blue Lent is beginning No chocolate for you! :)

2. We host the **PrayWorshipServe Retreat** starting on Thursday, February 22nd. As a member of St. Paul's you are invited to participate for free in one of two ways:

A. You can join half a dozen other parishioners and become one of about 40 **Participants** in the Retreat. The only requirement is that you at least participate from 9am to 3pm on both Friday and Saturday, and also Sunday morning starting at 9am. Email me if you wish to participate at c.h.mrtn@gmail.com.

B. You can **volunteer** for any of a number of roles including welcoming people, driving folks, cooking, serving food and so on. If you do, you are invited to come to the debut of my performance piece, Pelican, at 4:45pm on Saturday, and then stay afterwards for a reception and feast cooked by our beloved Chef Cynthia. Email Judy at JLRowcliffe@comcast.net.

These are rich days at St. Paul's!

Blessings, Christopher

# PRAYER

Arty Cathy Westover Dan Pollart & Family Gina Joan Peterson Jim Katie Taggart Kevin & Tara Laurie Hubbard Marcella Hermstad Mark & Gwen Mark Hardin Meg G Mika Kappen & Family Phyllis Ricky & Family

## 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  $1^{st}$  and  $3^{rd}$  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.
Marin Episcopal Youth Group: Sundays from 5-6:30pm at Church of the Redeemer 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 Christopher Martin at

415.456.4842 or cmartin@stpaulssanrafael.org.

**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. **Facebook & Twitter.** Please like and follow us to join the fun!

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