



ST. PAUL'S

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

A Sacred Space for Your Busy Life

Sunday, April 15, 2018, the Third Sunday in Easter

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	Prelude	Ernst Eberlin
Opening Hymn	212	Hymnal
Gloria	S-280 <i>(Service music found in front of hymnal)</i>	Hymnal
Psalm	4	BCP p. 587
Gradual	Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia	
Prayers of the People	Form IV	BCP p. 388
Offertory Anthem	Sanctus	Michael Haydn
Doxology	<i>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</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	186	Hymnal
Closing Hymn	192	Hymnal
Postlude	Fugue	Ernst Eberlin

THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Open House Today at the Martin's house in San Anselmo, 4pm to 6pm. People who are new in the last few years are especially encouraged to come. Contact Christopher at 415 456 4842 or c.h.mrtn@gmail.com for directions.

Book Club. St. Paul's Book Club will meet on April 20th at 7 p.m. in Duncan Hall. The book we will be discussing is "The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks" by Rebecca Skloot. This is the story of a real person whose cancer cells find their way into laboratories all over the world. The book discusses bio-ethics and the effect on family members.

April 18th, Wednesday. Performance of Christopher's one act play, **Pelican**, at 7pm in the church. Go on a mystical pilgrimage across a challenging landscape. Followed by a reception in Duncan Hall.

April 22th, Sunday. Tanner will begin a Sunday Book Study of Kate Moorehead's book "Healed", which gives an accessible and useful portrayal of Mary Magdalene as a strong disciple of Jesus and the Apostle to the Apostles. It will be from 11:30 to 12:30 in the Upper Room.

April 25th, Wednesday. **A User's Guide to the Book of Common Prayer** starts at 7pm. Come learn to use the breadth of this great book to feed your soul at all stages of life and faith. Preceded by optional Evening Prayer at 6:30 and followed by hospitality at 8:30.

May 6th, Sunday. St. Paul's Open House to **celebrate our 150th anniversary** from 1pm to 5pm. We offer tasty English food, tours of the historic church and other delights, concluding with Evensong in the church at 4pm.

Diversified Portfolio of Service. Service of the poor is a core value for us. There are opportunities to serve probationary teens, our homeless neighbors, isolated seniors, those in prison and poor young families. Call Christopher at 415 456 4842 or c.h.mrtn@gmail.com to find out more.

Learning for All Ages. We offer Sunday School, Youth Group and regular Bible Studies and Spiritual Formation classes. Contact Christopher at 415 456 4842 or c.h.mrtn@gmail.com to find out more.

Small Groups. The heart of our parish is small groups we call Discipleship Groups, which encourage us to pursue Seven Core Christian Practices. Contact Christopher at 415 456 4842 or c.h.mrtn@gmail.com to find out how you can make your way into these loving and life changing small groups.

SERVING TODAY

Preacher & Celebrant:	The Rev. Christopher Martin
Choirmaster/Organist:	Michael Struck
Acolytes:	Brigitte McCulloch, Chris Olson, Pamela Barnes
Readers:	Brigitte McCulloch, Chris Olson, Dennis Puccinelli
Altar Guild:	Brigitte McCulloch, Felicia Demann, Walter Tanner, Holly Pritchard

CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKLY MESSAGE

OPEN HOUSE AND PELICAN

First of all, a thousand "thank yous" to the many of you who made this an extraordinary Holy Week at St. Paul's. There were many great moments, but I would like to draw particular attention to the Easter Vigil, which took dozens of people to run. Thanks to our partnerships with Redeemer and Nativity we had over 120 people there, 5 baptisms and an extraordinary reception hosted by the DeManns. Christ is risen indeed!

The next big event in our common life is the **Open House** Chloe and I host twice a year at our home in San Anselmo. All are welcome and we particularly urge anyone new in the last few years to come. It is this **Sunday from 4pm to 6pm**. People of all ages are invited. Our home is 7 minutes from the church, just above the United Market on Miracle Mile.

The following **Wednesday, the 18th**, I will be offering my one act play, **Pelican**. This hour long piece invites you to take a sometimes deeply challenging mystical pilgrimage across a forbidding landscape. It is only the second time I have offered the play. The first time was at the PrayWorshipServe Retreat this past Lent. I don't intend to offer it again until the next PrayWorshipRetreat which is scheduled for March of 2020. It starts at **7pm in the church** and is followed by a reception in Duncan Hall.

The class "A User's Guide to the Book of Common Prayer" begins the following Wednesday, the 25th at 7pm and then the St. Paul's Open House, to celebrate our 150th, is May 6th from 1

Happy Easter.

Blessings,
Christopher

PRAYER

Arty	Joy Moss	Mark Groshong	Ricky & Family
Cathy Westover	Kevin & Tara	Mark Hardin	
Dan Pollart & Family	Larry W & Family	Meg G	
Gina	Laurie Hubbard	Mika Kappen & Family	
Jim	Mark & Gwen	Nicholas Danford (surgery 4/12)	

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.

Marin Episcopal Youth Group: Sundays from 6-7:30pm 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.

Morning Prayer: Every Tuesday at 7:30am, led by members of the parish. The service uses an easy to follow bulletin and lasts half an hour.

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.

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