



# ST. PAUL'S

## EPISCOPAL CHURCH

### A Sacred Space for Your Busy Life

Sunday, April 29, 2018, the Fifth Sunday in Easter

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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](http://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	Andante	C. P. E. Bach
Opening Hymn	198	Hymnal
Gloria	S-280 <i>(Service music found in front of hymnal)</i>	Hymnal
Psalm	22:24-30	BCP p. 610
Gradual	Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia	
Prayers of the People	Form IV	BCP p. 388
Offertory Anthem	Anthem for Spring	Pietro Mascagni
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 Hymns	431, 662	Hymnal
Closing Hymn	657	Hymnal
Postlude	Allegro	C. P. E. Bach

The Altar Flowers are given by Alex Elliot to the glory of God and in loving memory of his grandmother, Lily May Montgomery.

## THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Baby Shower after the 10am Service!** This Sunday the families are hosting a baby shower coffee hour for two brand new members of St. Paul's. Baby Kristin Fairborn was born last month and Baby Sprague will be born next month! And Felicia is providing cake!

**Book Study.** Tanner's Sunday Book Study continues today after the 10:00 service, exploring Kate Moorehead's book "Healed", an accessible and useful portrayal of Mary Magdelene as a strong disciple of Jesus and the Apostle to the Apostles. 11:30 to 12:30 in the Upper Room.

**A User's Guide to the Book of Common Prayer** continues on Wednesday at 7pm in Duncan Hall. 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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. Molly Haws
Choirmaster/Organist:	Michael Struck
Acolytes:	Dawn Rice, Demelza Rice
Readers:	Dawn Rice, Neville Armstrong
Altar Guild:	Brigitte McCulloch, Wendy Olson, Judy Rowcliffe, Alex Elliot

## CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKLY MESSAGE

### SHARE OUR BEAUTY

The St. Paul's 150th Open House is your best opportunity to share the beauty of our campus with your friends and neighbors. Please take a few moments and consider who you might invite.

The Open House is from 1pm to 5pm on Sunday, May 6th. It includes free food and drink with the food provided by our excellent Chef Cynthia. There will be regular tours of our space with all the most intriguing stories from our history. Above all, this is our opportunity to share with the wider community our beauty, warmth and depth.

It feels to me that at least once a week I meet someone in Marin who has lived here for years yet has no idea we exist. We may be the second oldest sacred space in the county and one of the most beautiful in the Bay Area, but because of our location and our stucco, we are largely unknown. Sunday, May 6th, from 1pm to 5pm is a chance to correct that.

We are a hidden jewel. A week from this Sunday is our chance to glitter and shine.

Judy will also have many of our most beautiful liturgical objects on display and there will be tables so that people can learn of our diversified portfolio of Outreach, our spiritual formation for people of all ages and our varied ways to be in community. At 4pm, the Open House concludes with an offering of Evensong in the church.

Your friends and neighbors, I believe, will thank you for introducing them to a true treasure of Marin.

Tomorrow, Wednesday, is the first session of a User's Guide to the Book of Common Prayer at 7pm in Duncan Hall. Thursday, we welcome at least 2 new people to our Bible Study at 6:15pm in the Downing Library. We are reading the wise book of James in the New Testament. You are welcome at one or both of these offerings.

And tell your friends about our Open House on Sunday, May 6th from 1pm to 5pm!

Blessings,  
Christopher

## PRAYER

Arty	Jim	Laurie Hubbard	Mika Kappen & Family
Betty	Joy Moss	Mark & Gwen	Ricky & Family
Cathy Westover	Kevin & Tara	Mark Hardin	
Dan Pollart & Family	Larry W & Family	Meg G	
Gina	Laura Gordon	Michael Alongi	

## SERVICE

**Teen Success Breakfast:** Serve hot breakfast to at-risk youth. Contact Beverly Armstrong at 415.454.4015 or [nevbev@sbcglobal.net](mailto: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 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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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