

# A Sacred Space for Your Busy Life

Sunday, August 12, 2018, the Twelfth 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	Prelude in F minor	J. S. Bach
Opening Hymn	329	Hymnal
Gloria	S-280 (S)ervice music found in front of hymnal	Hymnal
Psalm	130	BCP p. 784
Gradual	S-236	Hymnal
Prayers of the People	Form III	BCP p. 387
Offertory Hymn	324	Hymnal
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 B		BCP p. 367
Sanctus	S-129	Hymnal
Fraction Anthem	S-154	Hymnal
Closing Hymn	33	Hymnal
Postlude	Prelude in Db	J. S. Bach

The Altar Flowers are given by Scott Hastings to the glory of God and in loving memory of David and Mary Godfrey, and Esther Molony.

# THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Welcome.** Christopher is out of town. Our preacher and celebrant today is The Rev. Scott Sinclair. Welcome Scott!

**Book Study.** Tom Witt and Walter Tanner lead a discussion of Cynthia Bourgeault's The Wisdom Jesus, Sunday mornings at 11:30am, beginning July 15. From the book's blurb: If you put aside what you think you know about Jesus and approach the Gospels as though for the first time, something remarkable happens: Jesus emerges as a teacher of the transformation of consciousness. Cynthia Bourgeault is a masterful guide to Jesus's vision and to the traditional contemplative practices you can use to experience the heart of his teachings for yourself.

**St. Paul's Book Club** will meet Friday, Aug. 17th at 7 p.m. in Duncan Hall. We will be discussing the mystery Chalice of Blood by Peter Tremayne. This book is set in Ireland in the 7th century. The main characters are Fidelma who is a lawyer of the time and her husband Eadulf who have been called to solve the murder of a scholar in a monastery. Sinister happenings!

**St. Anne's Book Sale** is coming up on October 13<sup>th</sup> are donations are needed. Please bring books you don't want or need to Duncan Hall. A great way to reclaim some of that shelf space.

Open House for New College of Christian Practice. You're invited to our free Open House, Saturday, August 25, 9-11am, to learn about New College of Christian Practice and its three monthly discussion groups, September – December at St. Paul's. Hospitality will be provided.

**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.comto find out how you can make your way into these loving and life changing small groups.

**Education for Ministry:** EfM is lay education for anyone who is interested in both spiritual development and information about the Bible, Church History and Theology.

WHERE: St. John's Church, Ross

WHEN: Monday evenings, 6:30-8:30, beginning mid-September

COST: \$375 for the year

CONTACT: Carol Luther, co-mentor

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#### SERVING TODAY

Preacher & Celebrant: The Rev. Scott Sinclair

Choirmaster/Organist: Michael Struck

Acolytes: Brigitte McCulloch, Chris Hammond, Chris Olson Readers: Brigitte McCulloch, Chris Hammond, Chris Olson

Ushers: Steve Avanzino, Katie Taggart

Altar Guild: Brigitte McCulloch, Felicia Demann, Walter Tanner, Holly Pritchard

# CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKLY MESSAGE

OPEN HOUSE FOR NEW COLLEGE OF CHRISTIAN PRACTICE

You're invited to our free Open House, Saturday, August 25, 9-11am, to learn about New College of Christian Practice and its three monthly discussion groups, September – December at St. Paul's. Hospitality will be provided.

The discussion groups take place the first Wednesday of the month and include:

#### Who Is My Neighbor?

Prayerful reflection on demographic information about the North Bay regarding income, education and health, including a focus on youth. Led by the Rev. Christopher Martin and the Rev. Rod Miles, Chief Pastor of Grace Marin.

### The Necessary Wisdom of Medieval Women

Female writers of this era saw the truth of God in the world in ways we need to rediscover now to bring necessary wisdom to some of our most vexing contemporary problems. Led by Waldorf School teacher Meg Gorman and the Rev. Carol Luther, Vicar of St. Aidan's, Bolinas.

#### What is Christian Justice?

Explore various ways justice is understood and enacted from a Christian perspective. Led by Jacob Moody, retired Executive Director of the Bay View/Hunter's Point Foundation and the Rev. Kirsten Snow-Spalding, Rector of the Church of the Nativity, San Rafael and an attorney labor and environmental law.

#### Class Schedule

Wednesdays – 9/5, 10/3, 11/7, 12/5 7 - 8:30pm Evening Prayer at 6:30pm/Hospitality at 8:30pm \$40 for fall term

Questions: contact Christopher Martin, cmartin@stpaulssanrafael.org, 415.456.4842 or visit St. Paul's website for additional details.

# REGULAR PRAYER AND STUDY - OPEN TO ALL

Spiritual Forum Sundays at 9am in Duncan Hall

Book Group Sundays at 11:30am in the Upper Room Centering Prayer Group 2nd and 4th Sundays at 7pm in Duncan Hall

Morning Prayer Tuesdays at 7:30am in the Church Bible Study Wednesdays at 10am in Duncan Hall

Bible Study Thursdays at 6:15pm in the Downing Library

# WHO'S WHO AT ST. PAUL'S

# The Governing Board (called the Vestry)

Pierce Gore (Senior Warden), Walter Tanner (Junior Warden), Ginny Horton, Janie Burtch (Secretary), Buzz Wollam, Libby Silvesteria, John Schaver, Alison Blume, Meg Gorman, Tom Witt and Michael Welcome

Campus Care Steve Avanzino, Keatin Holly, Pat Curtis, David Hardin, Eric Guastavino and Larry Santucci

Finances Holly Pritchard, Lorrie Buggatto and John McDermott

Music Michael Struck

**Acolytes and Readers** Dawn Rice

**Ushers** Gary Towery and Larry Santucci

Altar Guild Judy Rowcliffe
Altar Flowers Alex Elliot

Children's MinistryKati DombroskyYouth GroupDavid Hardin

Downing LibraryTom WittEpistle (Monthly Newsletter)Chloe MartinService Bulletins and Centering PrayerChris OlsonSt. Anne'sAlice KingMonthly Book Group and St. Paul's HistoryJoy Moss

Death Row MinistryRichard OliveTeen Success BreakfastGinny HortonSan Rafael Health Care WorshipSue Adamson

St. Monnica's Mutual Housing Community Jacob Moody and Kati Dombrosky

# **PRAYER LIST**

C Family Larry W & Family Lori Mentel Theo Cavanaugh Gabriella Montes Laura Gordon Maggie B Wendy & Family

Hansel Laurie Hubbard Mark Hardin