

# A Sacred Space for Your Busy Life

Sunday, October 14, 2018, the Twenty First 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)

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Opening Hymn	558	Hymnal
Gloria	S-280 (S)ervice music found in front of hymnal	Hymnal
Psalm	22:1-15	BCP p. 610
Gradual	S-236	Hymnal
Prayers of the People	Form III	BCP p. 387
Offertory Hymn	655	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 haptized 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 haptism.

Eucharistic Prayer A		BCP p. 361
Sanctus	S-130	Hymnal
Fraction Anthem	S-154	Hymnal
Closing Hymn	460	Hymnal
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Postlude

The Altar Flowers are given by Pat Curtis to the glory of God and in loving memory of Gary Becker.

# THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

St. Anne's Book Sale continues today until noon in Duncan Hall.

**St. Paul's Book Club** will meet on Oct. 19th at 7 p.m. in Duncan Hall. The book we will be discussing is Border Child by Michael Stone. This novel tells the story of a Mexican family who lost their child at the border when they tried to cross to the United States. The heartbreak of the family and their search for the child sounds like a newspaper story. What one family does to find their child.

**Champagne Brunch.** The Vestry cordially invites you to our second annual, world famous Champagne Brunch on Sunday, October 21<sup>st</sup> from 11am to 1pm in Duncan Hall.

**Book Study.** Tom Witt and Walter Tanner lead a discussion of Cynthia Bourgeault's The Wisdom Jesus, Sunday mornings at 11:30am in the Upper Room.

**Downing Library.** We invite you to visit the Downing Library on the second floor above Duncan Hall. To borrow any book, just fill out a library card with your name, book title, author and date.

**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 <a href="mailto:c.h.mrtn@gmail.com">c.h.mrtn@gmail.com</a> 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: Valerie Zander, Demelza Rice, Dawn Rice Readers: Valerie Zander, Demelza Rice, Dennis Puccinelli

Ushers: Steve Avanzino, Katie Taggart

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

# CHRISTOPHER'S WEEKLY MESSAGE

#### THANK YOU!

Thank you to the 80 of you who filled out the Spiritual Life Inventory. Jacob will now be leading the team that will be considering the picture that emerges from all of our responses. We have four meetings, the first one this Saturday, the last in early December.

I am so grateful we are taking a step back and asking these deep questions at this stage in our life together. Jacob will be leading his team through some very prayerful and personal exercises so that we can receive the information in the spirit intended by the folks at RenewalWorks.

Although hundreds of Episcopal Churches around the country have done the Inventory, we are the first in the state of California and in fact the whole west coast. Several of my clergy peers have been watching what we are doing with great interest and two or possible three other parishes in Marin may be doing the Inventory in January. So not only is our work together likely to build up our work at St. Paul's, it might also help strengthen the gospel in other communities in Marin.

Next up for us is the Champagne brunch next Sunday, the 21st of October. This is the second annual brunch put on by the Vestry for us all to help kick us in gear for the final stretch of the year and to express gratitude and appreciation. Join us all for brunch after the 10am service next week.

Blessings, Christopher

## 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

## 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 GuildJudy RowcliffeAltar FlowersAlex 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

Abby Dawn N Larry W & Family Mary Lou Andrey Felicia Demann, Laura Gordon Miriam

Anna, Marie & Donnie, Gabriella Montes Linda S Sandy & Herbert C Family Jayme F Linda Riley Tate Theo Cavanaugh Cathy Westover Jim Lori Mentel Wendy & Family

Connie & Frank Kevin & Tara Mark Hardin