



# ST. PAUL'S

## EPISCOPAL CHURCH

### A Sacred Space for Your Busy Life

Sunday, December 1, 2024, First Sunday of Advent

We especially welcome visitors and newcomers today. 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	Prelude	Domenico Zipoli
Opening Hymn	58	Hymnal
Kyrie	S-86 <i>(Service music found in front of hymnal)</i>	Hymnal
First Reading	Jeremiah 33:14-16	
Psalm	25:1-9	BCP p. 614
Second Reading	1 Thessalonians 3:9-13	
Gradual	S-236	Hymnal
Gospel	Luke 21:25-36	
Nicene Creed		BCP p. 358
Prayers of the People	Form IV	BCP p. 388
Offertory Hymn	66	Hymnal
Eucharistic Prayer B		BCP p. 367
Sanctus	S-124	Hymnal
Fraction Anthem	S-161	Hymnal
Post Communion Prayer		BCP p. 365
Closing Hymn	616	Hymnal
Postlude	Postlude	Domenico Zipoli

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Ann Hanson.

## SERVING TODAY

Celebrant:	The Rev. Christopher H. Martin
Preacher:	The Rev. Erin Wiens St. John
Choirmaster/Organist:	Michael Struck
Acolytes:	Michael Green, Walter Tanner
Readers:	Andrew Shumaker, Ann Gordon
Ushers:	Steve Avanzino, Larry Santucci
Altar Guild:	Alex Elliot, Judy Rowcliffe
Tech Support:	Josh Becker, Dennis DeMille
Coffee Hour:	Kari Simpson

## THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Be an Angel!

This holiday season St. Paul's will once again be bringing lots of Christmas joy to the children of De Colores Children's Center. Hanging on the tree at the entrance to the Church are Angel ornaments identifying each child's name and Christmas wish. Please be sure to sign out the Angel ornaments so that we can track where the ornaments are. Wrapped presents for the De Colores children, with the angel tag securely attached, should be placed under the Christmas tree by Sunday, December 8. If you purchase more than one item for a child, please combine gifts into one package or gift bag for each child. Suggested value of each child's gift is \$40-\$50. If you have questions, call Janie Burtch at 415-830-7052. Thank you for being an angel!

### Donate Furniture

Mike Green is working with the non-profit organization Welcome Home to furnish a home for a family in need. If you have furniture to donate please contact Mike at [mjesgreen@gmail.com](mailto:mjesgreen@gmail.com).

### Godly Play

Sunday School for children ages four to pre-teen is every 2nd and 4th Sunday in the Upper Room. Children begin in Church with their families, leave for Godly Play after the Collect and return to share Holy Communion.

### All Are Welcome to:

#### • Participate in Bible Studies

We have two weekly Bible Studies. One is in person in Duncan Hall at 10am on Wednesdays, the other is on Zoom at 6pm on Thursdays. We read, mark, learn and inwardly digest scripture.

#### • Offer Music and Prayers for San Rafael Healthcare Center

Once a month, on the fourth Sunday of the month, join a crew who go down the block to the San Rafael Healthcare Center to lead a brief service right after our 10am worship. We visit the lonely.

#### • Write a Monthly Letter for Death Row Ministry

Write a letter a month to an inmate on California's Death Row. There are over 40 people in the ministry, and those on the outside meet every other month on Zoom to support each other. We visit the prisoners.

#### • Make Lunches for Vinnies

Join us twice a month at 4pm on a weekday afternoon when we make 100 bagged lunches for St. Vincent's to share with our hungry neighbors. We feed the hungry. For December: Wednesday, 12/4.

## PRAYER LIST

Bennett	Kathleen G	Olivia C & Family	Ukraine Victims
Byron P	Kyra & Declan	Scarlett W	Vicky M & Family
Cynthia W	Lokita	Simon	Victims in Israel & Gaza
Joan A	Lynne S	Tonita	

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