



# ST. PAUL'S

## EPISCOPAL CHURCH

### A Sacred Space for Your Busy Life

Sunday, March 23, 2025, Third Sunday in Lent

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	Go Down, Moses	Spiritual
Opening Hymn	Softly & Tenderly	<i>Insert</i>
Kyrie	S-86 ( <i>Service music found in front of hymnal</i> )	Hymnal
First Reading	Exodus 3:1-15	
Psalm	63:1-8	BCP p. 670
Second Reading	1 Corinthians 10:1-13	
Gradual	S-102	Hymnal
Gospel	Luke 13:1-9	
Nicene Creed		BCP p. 358
Prayers of the People	Form II	BCP p. 385
Offertory Hymn	Nearer My God to Thee	<i>Insert</i>
Eucharistic Prayer B		BCP p. 367
Sanctus	S-124	Hymnal
Agnus Dei	S-161	Hymnal
Communion Song	On Eagle's Wings	<i>Insert</i>
Post Communion Prayer		BCP p. 365
Closing Hymn	685	Hymnal
Postlude	Praise to You O Christ, Our Savior	B. Farrell

*Worship services may be live-streamed for our online congregation. Cameras focus primarily on vested ministers, but others in the church may also be visible in live or archived video.*

## SERVING TODAY

Celebrant:	The Rev. Erin Wiens St. John
Preacher:	Cara Meredith
Choirmaster/Organist:	Francisco Ortiz
Acolytes:	Mike Green, Kristen Ibsen
Readers:	Jessica Ruscello, John Ibsen
Ushers:	Hadly Dean, Camilla Dean, Chloe Martin
Altar Guild:	Felicia Demann, Chris Torney
Tech Support:	Josh Becker, Dennis DeMille
Coffee Hour:	Kari Simpson

## THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Quiet Sit

All are welcome in the Upper Room at 9:10am on the Sundays in Lent for a 20 minute Quiet Sit.

### Bring A Friend Sunday

April 6th is our second annual Bring a Friend Sunday. Start thinking now of who you would like to invite!

### 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 50 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. March 12 & 26; April 16 & 24.

#### • Feed Teens

Every week we serve a hot breakfast at the County Community School for probationary teens as our Teen Success Breakfast. We feed the hungry.

## PRAYER LIST

Alan M & Family	David E & Family	Kathleen G	Martina
Bennett	Döndrup D	Lisa S	Olivia C & Family
Cynthia W	Joan A	Lokita	Simon
David B	John M	Lynne S	

At St. Paul's...Giving is Easy!

<https://onrealm.org/StPaulsSanRafael/Give>

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1. Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing for
2. Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing, plead - ing for
3. O for the won - der - ful love he has prom - ised, prom - ised for



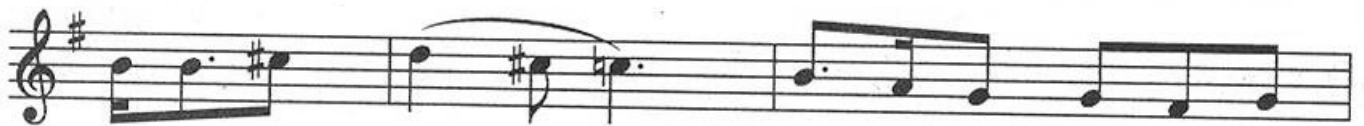
1. you and for me; see, on the por - tals he's
2. you and for me? Why should we lin - ger and
3. you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has



1. wait - ing and watch - ing, watch - ing for you and for me.
2. heed not his mer - cies, mer - cies for you and for me?
3. mer - cy and par - don, par - don for you and for me.



Come home, come home, you who are



wea - ry, come home; ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly,



Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing for you to come home!

1. Near - er, my God, to Thee, Near - er to Thee!  
 2. Though like the wan - der - er, The sun goes down,  
 3. There let the way ap - pear, Steps un - to heav'n;  
 4. Then, with my wak - ing thoughts, Bright with Thy praise,  
 5. Or if on joy - ful wing, Cleav - ing the sky,

1. E'en though it be a cross That — rais - eth me;  
 2. Dark - ness be o - ver me, My — rest a stone;  
 3. All that Thou send - est me, In — mer - cy giv'n;  
 4. Out of my ston - y griefs, Beth - el I'll raise;  
 5. Sun, moon and stars for - got, Up - wards I fly,

1. Still all my song would be  
 2. Yet in my dreams I'd be  
 3. An - gels to beck - on me Near - er, my God, to Thee,  
 4. So by my woes to be  
 5. Still all my song shall be

Near - er my God, to Thee, Near - er to Thee.

1. You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,  
who abide in his shadow for life,  
say to the Lord: "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!"

REFRAIN

And he will raise you up on ea - gle's wings,  
bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the  
sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.

*Final*

And hold you, hold you in the  
palm of his hand.

2. The snare of the fowler will never capture you,  
and famine will bring you no fear;  
under his wings your refuge, his faithfulness your shield.
3. You need not fear the terror of the night,  
nor the arrow that flies by day;  
though thousands fall about you, near you it shall not come.
4. For to his angels he's given a command  
to guard you in all of your ways;  
upon their hands they will bear you up,  
lest you dash your foot against a stone.