



ST. PAUL'S
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For The Glory of God & The Joy of All Peoples

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

On the Lord's Day Morning
Pentecost Sunday
May 24, 2026, at 10:30



To all who are weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire hope; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and yearn for fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whoever will come—this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The sounding of the bells calls us to quiet our hearts before worship.

Welcome

Prelude

Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire

American Folk Tune

*Though I may speak with bravest fire, and have the gift to all inspire,
And have not love, my words are vain, as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.*

*Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control, our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide ev'ry deed; by this we worship and are freed.*

Call to Worship

From Psalm 34:8–17

Minister: Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him! Oh, fear the LORD, you his saints, for those who fear him have no lack!

People: The young lions suffer want and hunger; but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.

Minister: Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the LORD.

People: The eyes of the LORD are toward the righteous and his ears toward their cry.

Worship begins when God, through the pastor ministering in his name, summons us to the praise of his glory.

† congregation standing

✠ congregation kneeling

Minister: The face of the LORD is against those who do evil, to cut off the memory of them from the earth.

People: When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears and delivers them out of all their troubles.



† **Hymn of Proclamation**
Hymn A • Trinity Hymnal #94

How Firm a Foundation
FOUNDATION

† **Prayer of Adoration**

Unison: Almighty God, on this day you opened the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of your Holy Spirit: Shed abroad this gift throughout the world by the preaching of the gospel, that it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

† **Old Testament Reading**

Isaiah 55:1–13
Pew Bible, pages 615

Minister: The Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

The Lord is “enthroned on the praises” of his people (Psalm 22:3).

“All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness” (2 Timothy 3:16).

✠ **Prayer of Confession**

Unison: Most holy and merciful God, who has searched and known us, and are acquainted with all our ways, we confess before you our sinfulness and seek your forgiveness. We have failed in our duty; we have forgotten our high calling; we have fallen into many temptations. We have dishonored your name; we have injured our neighbors; we have hurt our own souls. Give us, we pray, the spirit of true repentance, that we may turn from our sins and forsake them with our whole heart; and in your great love, have mercy and cleanse us; for the sake of your dear Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

Please take a moment to silently confess your sin.

✠ **Assurance of Pardon**

From Psalm 103:10–12

Minister: The LORD does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

Unison: Thanks be to God!

✠ **Pastoral Prayer**

The Assurance of Pardon is spoken with authority in Jesus' name. If you trust Jesus as he is offered in the gospel, you can rest assured that you are forgiven.

RENEWING OUR FAITH

† **Psalm of Consecration**

Hymn B • From the Trinity Psalter

That Man Is Blest (Psalm 1)

Musical Setting by Ronald Owen

† **Affirmation of Faith**

Westminster Shorter Catechism

Questions and Answers #37 and #38

Minister: What benefits do believers receive from Christ at death?

People: The souls of believers are at their death made perfect in holiness, and do immediately pass into glory; and their bodies, being still united to Christ, do rest in their graves, till the resurrection.

Minister: What benefits do believers receive from Christ at the resurrection?

People: At the resurrection, believers, being raised up in glory, shall be openly acknowledged and acquitted in the day of judgment, and made perfectly blessed in the full enjoying of God to all eternity.

Unison: Thanks be to God!

As a part of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA), St. Paul's affirms the doctrinal standards found in the Westminster Confession of Faith, as well as in the Larger and Shorter Catechisms.

Children are welcome for our entire service. Following the Gloria, a specifically designed time for children aged four through first grade is also provided. Those interested can meet at the back of the Fellowship Hall.

† Gloria

Gloria Patri #735

GREATOREX

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the
Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be -
gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be, world with - out
end. A - men, a - men.

† New Testament Lesson

Luke 16:19–31

Pew Bible, page 876

Minister: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ!

People: Thanks be to the Lord!

Prayer for Illumination

Proclamation of God's Word

Rev. John Cherne

The Man Who Begged Too Late

“Open my eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of your law” (Psalm 119:18).

RESPONDING IN THANKS

† Hymn of Response

Hymn C • Trinity Psalter Hymnal #480

I Have No Other Comfort

Alt. Tune: LANCASHIRE

Giving to God and Offertory

God of Our Fathers

NATIONAL HYMN

*God of our fathers, whose almighty hand
Leads forth in beauty all the starry band
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,
Our grateful songs before thy throne arise.*

*Thy love divine hath led us in the past;
In this free land by thee our lot is cast;
Be thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay;
Thy Word our law, thy paths our chosen way.*

*Refresh thy people on their toilsome way,
Lead us from night to never-ending day;
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine,
And glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.*

*“Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God”
(Hebrews 13:16).*

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The word “doxology” comes from the Greek doxa (“glory”) and logos (“word”). Thus, to sing the doxology is to ascribe a word of glory to God.

† Doxology

Vikki Cook

Praise God from whom all bles-sings flow; praise him all
 crea- tures here be - low; praise him a - bove ye heav'n-ly
 host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. All glo - ry
 be to God a - bove, who gave his Son in ho - ly
 love, who sends his Com - for - ter to be his seal for
 all e-ter - ni - ty, his seal for all e-ter - ni - ty.

† Prayer of Dedication

† Benediction

† Sending Forth Hymn

Hymn D • Trinity Hymnal #95 (Verses 1 and 4)

Though Troubles Assail Us

JOANNA

Minister: Go in peace to love and serve the risen Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

Please take a moment to greet those around you.

Welcome, visitors! If you are visiting St. Paul's today, we are so glad you have joined us for worship! We would love to get to know you. Email staff@stpaulsorlando.com to let us know your name, contact information, how you heard about St. Paul's, and any questions you may have. Please feel free to introduce yourself to our pastors or ushers.

How Firm a Foundation

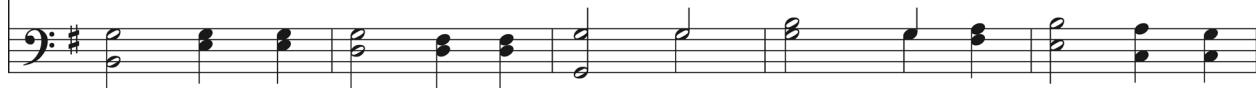
Do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. Is. 41:10



1. How firm a foun - da - tion, you saints of the Lord, is laid for your
2. "Fear not, I am with you, O be not dis - mayed; for I am your
3. "When through the deep wa - ters I call you to go, the riv - ers of
4. "When through fi - ery tri - als your path - way shall lie, my grace, all - suf -



faith in his ex - cel - lent Word! What more can he say than to
God, and will still give you aid; I'll strength - en you, help you, and
sor - row shall not o - ver - flow; for I will be with you, your
fi - cient, shall be your sup - ply; the flame shall not hurt you; I



you he has said, to you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
cause you to stand, up - held by my right - eous, om - nip - o - tent hand.
trou - bles to bless, and sanc - ti - fy to you your deep - est dis - tress.
on - ly de - sign your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine.



5. "E'en down to old age all my people shall prove
my sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love;
and when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn,
like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.

6. "The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never forsake."

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Traditional American melody

J. Funk's *A Compilation of Genuine Church Music*, 1832

That Man Is Blest

(Psalm 1)



1. That man is blest who, fear - ing God, from sin re - strains his feet,
2. Yea, blest is he who makes God's law his por - tion and de - light,
3. That man is nour - ished like a tree set by the riv - er's side;
4. The wick - ed, like the driv - en chaff, are swept from off the land;
5. The Lord will guard the righ - teous well, their way to him is known;



who will not stand with wick - ed men, who shuns the scorn - ers' seat.
 and med - i - tates up - on that law with glad - ness day and night.
 its leaf is green, its fruit is sure, and thus his works a - bide.
 they shall not gath - er with the just, nor in the judg - ment stand.
 the way of sin - ners, far from God, shall sure - ly be o'er - thrown.



you are my on - ly Mas - ter and my Re - deem - er strong.
 you guide all of my foot - steps, and lead me clear - ly through.
 that mine is life e - ter - nal ac - cor - ding to your Word.
 you are my on - ly Mas - ter and my Re - deem - er strong.

Though Troubles Assail Us

My God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus. Phil. 4:19

1. Though trou - bles as - sail us and dan - gers af - fright,
4. No strength of our own and no good - ness we claim;

though friends should all fail us and foes all u - nite,
yet, since we have known of the Sav - ior's great name,

yet one thing se - cures us, what - ev - er be - tide,
in this our strong tow - er for safe - ty we hide:

the prom - ise as - sures us, "The Lord will pro - vide."
the Lord is our pow - er, "The Lord will pro - vide."

The Man Who Begged Too Late

Luke 16:19–31 | Rev. John Cherne

The Big Idea: The human heart is prone to seek comfort and security in the things of this world rather than in God. In the parable of the rich man and Lazarus, Jesus exposes how false comfort hardens the heart against both loving God and loving neighbor. The rich man lives as though this life is all there is, only to find himself begging too late. Yet he who is joined with the living has hope (Ecclesiastes 9:4), for God has spoken clearly through his Word.

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DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN

Use this plan for your daily Bible reading.

- Sunday, May 24 Isaiah 25 • 1 John 3
- Monday, May 25 Isaiah 26 • 1 John 4
- Tuesday, May 26 Isaiah 27 • 1 John 5
- Wednesday, May 27 Isaiah 28 • 2 John
- Thursday, May 28 Isaiah 29 • 3 John
- Friday, May 29 Isaiah 30 • Jude
- Saturday, May 30 Isaiah 31 • Revelation 1
- Sunday, May 31 Isaiah 32 • Revelation 2

WEEKLY SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Use these questions to reflect more deeply on this week's sermon.

1. What made the rich man feel secure in this life, and what does this parable teach us about where true comfort should be found?
2. Why do you think the rich man ignored Lazarus at his gate, and how can comfort sometimes keep us from loving God and caring for others?
3. Abraham said, "They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them." (Luke 16:29) What does this teach us about God's Word and sharing the good news of the gospel?

MONTHLY SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION

Devote time to memorizing this passage of Scripture throughout the month.

"He lived there two whole years at his own expense, and welcomed all who came to him, proclaiming the kingdom of God and teaching about the Lord Jesus Christ with all boldness and without hindrance" (Acts 28:30–31).

ABOUT WORSHIP

In his encounter with the woman of Samaria, Jesus explained that “God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and in truth” (John 4:24). The reason Jesus says true worshipers must worship in this way is because God himself “is spirit.” Here we discover the simple yet profound principle that true worship is a response to God as he has personally revealed himself. Thus, conformity to God’s character is the key to true worship. “Great is the LORD,” as the psalmist puts it, “and greatly to be praised” (Psalm 48:1)! In worship, we seek to reflect this divine reality, declaring with our lips and demonstrating with our lives that God is supremely precious and therefore worthy of all glory and honor and praise.

THE SHAPE OF WORSHIP



Entering God’s Presence—We gather in response to God’s call to worship, joyfully offering praise to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. With reverence and awe, we confess our sins and receive God’s forgiveness, which is declared in Jesus’ name.



Renewing Our Faith—Worship continues with a focus on God’s Word. Our faith is renewed as we publicly confess the truth of God, join our hearts and voices in prayers and hymns of praise to God, and hear the good news of God powerfully proclaimed.



Responding in Thanks—As hearing becomes doing, we respond to the proclamation of God’s Word. Songs of praise continue to be raised and the gifts and offerings of God’s people are collected. On Communion Sundays we are invited to celebrate the Lord’s Supper. With God’s blessing upon us, we are sent into the world to love and serve the risen Lord Jesus Christ!

Why Do We Worship in This Way?

In this section, we answer a question about worship each week.

Question: Why are we asked to kneel at various times in worship?

Answer: Body language is powerful, and God’s Word frequently commands us to use our bodies to communicate the disposition of our hearts in worship. “Oh come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!” (Psalm 95:6, 63:4, 150:5; 1 Timothy 2:8)

WELCOME, VISITORS!

We are delighted you have joined us for worship. Our hope is that you find our worship service glorifying to God and personally refreshing.

We would love to connect with you. Please stop by our Welcome Kiosk in the Narthex after the service so that we may greet you in person and provide you a *Welcome Bag*. To connect with us, please use the QR code below to fill out a *Connect Card*.

Use your phone's camera to quickly access the following resources or navigate to the URL below each QR code.



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Our Vision

To see the invisible kingdom of heaven made visible,
for the glory of God and the joy of all peoples.

Our Mission

To grow in grace and give away our lives
in the following seven major ministry areas:

Worship that exalts God in Christ and promotes unity in the Spirit

Discipleship that is rooted in the Scriptures and centered in the gospel

Community that is characterized by discipleship and care for one another

Local Missions that promotes the common good and evangelizes the lost

Global Missions that participates in church planting and spreading the gospel to the ends of the earth

Children's Ministry that partners with parents to build children up in the faith through loving care and Reformed biblical teaching

Youth Ministry that promotes maturity, joy, and identity in Christ

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