



ST. PAUL'S
PRESBYTERIAN

For The Glory of God & The Joy of All Peoples

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

On the Lord's Day Morning
Third Sunday after Pentecost
June 14, 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

God the Lord Is King
EDEN CHURCH

Call to Worship

From Psalm 30

Minister: Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints, and give thanks to his holy name. For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime.

People: Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

Minister: Praise the LORD!

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

† congregation standing

✠ congregation kneeling

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

† **Hymn of Proclamation**

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Hymn A • Trinity Hymnal #38

JOANNA

† **Prayer of Adoration**

Unison: Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you, and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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

† **Gospel Reading**

Matthew 12:38-42

Pew Bible, pages 817

Minister: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ!

People: Thanks be to the Lord.

✠ **Prayer of Confession**

Unison: Almighty God, we confess that we are often swept along and deceived by the tide of our generation and the spirit of our age. We are tempted to call good evil and evil good. We are seduced by many destructive and harmful desires. We often live more in foolishness born of pride than wisdom born of reverence and awe. We often live more in fear born of unbelief than courage born of faith. We often live more in aimlessness born of indifference than purpose born of hope. We often live more in sloth born of selfishness than service born of love.

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

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We often try to speak in your name without relinquishing our glories and crediting all things to your grace. And so, we cry out to you for your forgiveness and mercy. Rescue us, O Lord, from becoming wise in our own eyes and deliver us from the way of sin and death by the power of your Holy Spirit, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Please take a moment to silently confess your sin.

✠ Assurance of Pardon

From 1 Corinthians 1

Minister: Hear this good news! God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. And because of him you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, righteousness and sanctification and redemption.

Unison: Thanks be to God!

✠ Pastoral Prayer



† Psalm of Consecration

Psalm 13

Hymn B • From the Trinity Psalter

PASSION CHORALE

† Affirmation of Faith

Westminster Shorter Catechism

Question and Answer #1

Minister: What is the chief end of man?

People: Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever.

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.

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.

† 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.

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.

† Old Testament Lesson

Ecclesiastes 1:1-3

Pew Bible, page 553

Minister: The Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Prayer for Illumination

Proclamation of God's Word

Rev. Justin Borger

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

VAPOR, JOY & AWE

Vapor of Vapors

RESPONDING IN THANKS

† Hymn of Response

Hymn C • Trinity Hymnal #252

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

HAMBURG

Giving to God and Offertory

Now unto Jehovah, Ye Sons of the Mighty

WILLOW GROVE

*“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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*Now unto Jehovah, ye sons of the mighty,
All glory and strength and dominion accord;
Ascribe to him glory, and render him honor.
In beauty of holiness worship the Lord,
In beauty of holiness worship the Lord.*

*The voice of Jehovah is mighty, is mighty;
The voice of Jehovah in majesty speaks:
The voice of Jehovah the cedars is breaking;
Jehovah the cedars of Lebanon breaks,
Jehovah the cedars of Lebanon breaks.*

*Each one in his temple his glory proclaimeth
He sat on the flood; he is King on his throne.
Jehovah all strength to his people imparteth;
Jehovah with peace ever blesseth his own,
Jehovah with peace ever blesseth his own.*

† Doxology

LASST UNS ERFREUEN



Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise



him, all crea-tures here be - low: al - le - lu - ia, al - le -



lu - ia! Praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host, praise



Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost: O - praise him, O -



praise him, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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.

† Prayer of Dedication

† Benediction

† Sending Forth Hymn

Hymn D • Trinity Hymnal #642 (Verses 1 and 4)

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

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

People: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Come Away to the Skies

MIDDLEBURY

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.

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

*Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory
for ever and ever. Amen. 1 Tim. 1:17*

1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
2. Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing and si - lent as light,
3. Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
all praise we would ren - der; O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.
thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

Psalm 13

1. How long wilt Thou for - get me? Shall it for - ev - er be?
 2. O LORD, my God, con - si - der, and hear my ear - nest cries;
 3. But on Thy ten - der mer - cy I ev - er have re - lied;

O LORD, how long neg - lect me? And hide Thy face from me?
 lest I in death should slum - ber, en - light - en Thou mine eyes:
 with joy in Thy sal - va - tion my heart shall still con - fide.

How long my soul take coun - sel, thus sad in heart each day?
 lest foes be heard ex - claim - ing a - gainst him we pre - vailed;
 And I with voice of sing - ing will praise the LORD a - lone,

How long shall foes ex - ult - ing, sub - ject me to their sway?
 and they that vex my spi - rit re - joice when I have failed.
 be - cause to me His fa - vor He has so large - ly shown.

PASSION CHORALE 7.6.7.6.D
 Hans Leo Hassler, 1601
 Arr. by Johann Sebastian Bach, 1729

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. Gal. 6:14



1. When I sur - vey the won - drous cross on which the
 2. For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the
 3. See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sor - row and
 4. Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were a



Prince of glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I
 death of Christ my God: all the vain things that
 love flow min - gled down: did e'er such love and
 pres - ent far too small; love so a - maz - ing,



count but loss, and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
 charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
 sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
 so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.



Be Thou My Vision

Whatever was to my profit I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. Phil. 3:7

Unison



1. Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart; naught be all
4. Rich - es I heed not, nor man's emp - ty praise, thou mine in -



else to me, save that thou art— thou my best thought by
her - i - tance, now and al - ways: thou and thou on - ly,



day or by night, wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
first in my heart, High King of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.



Ancient Irish poem, ca. 8th cent.

Tr. by Mary E. Byrne, 1905

Versified by Eleanor H. Hull, 1912

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SLANE 10.10.10.10.
Traditional Irish melody
Arr. by David Evans, 1927

VAPOR, JOY & AWE

Vapor of Vapors

Ecclesiastes 1:1-3 | Rev. Justin Borger

The Big Idea: “Vapor of vapors!” says Qoheleth, “Vapor of vapors! All is vapor” (1:2). From the outset (1:2) and repeatedly throughout the book of Ecclesiastes, the ancient sage and Solomon-like figure known as Qoheleth repeatedly concludes that everything is *hebel* (Ecclesiastes 1:14; 2:1, 11, 15, 17, 19, 21, 23, 26; 3:19; 4:4, 7, 8, 16; 5:6, 9; 6:2, 4, 9, 11, 12; 7:6, 15; 8:10, 14; 9:9; 11:8, 10; 12:8), which means something like “vapor,” “mist,” or “breath.” Simply put, this life “under the sun” is as fleeting, uncontrollable, and mystifying as a puff of smoke. The Hebrew word *hebel* is also the name of Adam and Eve’s son Abel whose brief life and senseless death powerfully express the meaning of his name (Genesis 4:1-22).

Surprisingly, however, instead of simply despairing over the brevity of life and inevitability of death, Qoheleth repeatedly commends joy (Ecclesiastes 2:24; 3:12; 3:22; 5:18–19; 8:15; 9:7–9; 11:8–12:1)! According to the sage, there is nothing better for a person than that he should eat and drink and find enjoyment in his toil. And identifying how these seemingly contradictory emphases—vapor and joy—relate is essential to understanding the message of the book.

In the end, the book of Ecclesiastes exhorts the wise to remember their Creator (12:1) and stand in awe of God the Judge of all (12:13-14), accepting the limitations and mysteries of this life, and embracing a posture of joyful receptivity to God’s many good and perfect gifts. Here we discover a message that is as beautiful as it is brutal. Ecclesiastes will build us up, but not until it has torn us down and dispelled all our vain hopes, misplaced priorities, and naïve expectations. This is a book that emphasizes the bad news so that we can “behold, something greater” (Matthew 12:42) and more fully embrace the good news of him whose blood speaks a better word than that of *hebel* (Hebrews 12:24).

i. The speaker in Ecclesiastes

ii. The author of Ecclesiastes

iii. Three major themes

- Vapor
- Joy
- Awe

iv. The first of many questions

DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN

Use this plan for your daily Bible reading.

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| • Sunday, June 14 | Isaiah 46 • Revelation 16 |
| • Monday, June 15 | Isaiah 47 • Revelation 17 |
| • Tuesday, June 16 | Isaiah 48 • Revelation 18 |
| • Wednesday, June 17 | Isaiah 49 • Revelation 19 |
| • Thursday, June 18 | Isaiah 50 • Revelation 20 |
| • Friday, June 19 | Isaiah 51 • Revelation 21 |
| • Saturday, June 20 | Isaiah 52 • Revelation 22 |
| • Sunday, June 21 | Isaiah 53 • Matthew 1 |

WEEKLY SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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

1. What does Qoheleth (ESV “the Preacher”) mean when he says that everything is “vanity” (*hebel*)? Compare with Romans 8:18-25. In what ways is creation subject to “futility”?
2. What do we know about Qoheleth, the speaker in the book of Ecclesiastes?
3. What do we know about the anonymous author who wrote/edited the book of Ecclesiastes? How does he help us to understand, evaluate, and apply the wisdom of Qoheleth through his authorial/editorial comments in Ecclesiastes 1:1, 7:27, and 12:9-14?
4. What three themes stand out in the book of Ecclesiastes? And why is it important to understand, interpret, and apply these three themes (vapor, joy, and awe) in relation to each other?
5. Have you ever asked yourself the key question of 1:3? What sort of answers have you come up with? Why does the question matter?
6. What difference does it make to read Ecclesiastes as part of the larger message of the Bible that is centered in the gospel? Where is wisdom ultimately found? And how does the book of Ecclesiastes lead us to him?

MONTHLY SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION

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

**“Vanity of vanities, says the Preacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity.”
(Ecclesiastes 1:2)**

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 do our worship services include readings from both the Old and New Testaments?

Answer: This practice reflects our commitment to “the whole counsel of God” (Acts 20:27). Jesus said that every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is “like a master of a house, who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old” (Matthew 13:52). In our Old Testament readings from the Law and Prophets, we find the gospel foreshadowed and promised, and in our New Testament readings, we find it fulfilled in the person and work of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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*.

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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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