

ST. PAUL'S

For The Glory of God & The Joy of All Peoples

Order for the Worship of God

On the Lord's Day Morning Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost August 24, 2025, 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

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship HOLY MANNA

Brethren, we have met to worship and adore the Lord our God; Will you pray with all your power, while we try to preach the Word?

All is vain unless the Spirit of the Holy One comes down;

Brethren, pray, and holy manna will be showered all around.

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

Call to Worship

From Psalm 95

Minister: Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful

noise to the rock of our salvation!

People: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us

make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

Minister: For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above

all gods.

Unison: Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel

before the LORD, our Maker!

Minister: For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture,

and the sheep of his hand. Come, let us worship!

† congregation standing

¤ congregation kneeling



[†] **Hymn of Proclamation** Hymn A • Trinity Hymnal #1 All People That on Earth Do Dwell OLD HUNDREDTH

† Prayer of Adoration

Unison: Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being

gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy

Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

[†] Old Testament Lesson

Deuteronomy 7:1-11

Pew Bible, page 151

Minister: The Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

* Prayer of Confession

Unison:

Almighty God and Father of mercies, please forgive us, for we often see ourselves as being great when we are small. Our pride has deceived us on many occasions. Give us, we pray, the spirit of true humility. Grant us grace to surpass the fear of being surpassed through your all-surpassing glory revealed in Christ. Make him our boast, our joy, our song. Help us to do nothing out of selfish ambition but release us to the praise of your glory through him who died for us yet lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever. Amen.

Please take a moment to silently confess your sin.

Christian worship is trinitarian: we worship one God who exists eternally in three persons, Father, Son and Spirit.

"Devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture" (I Timothy 4:13).

"If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins" (1 John 1:9). "Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God" (Romans 5:1-2).

* Assurance of Pardon

From Zephaniah 3

Minister: Sing aloud, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice

and exult with all your heart, O daughter of Jerusalem! The LORD has taken away the judgments against you; he has cleared away your enemies. The King of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst; you shall never again fear evil.

Unison: Thanks be to God!

[¤] Pastoral Prayer



† Psalm of Consecration Hymn B • From the Trinity Psalter Psalm 133

† Affirmation of Faith

The Westminster Confession of Faith
Chapter 26

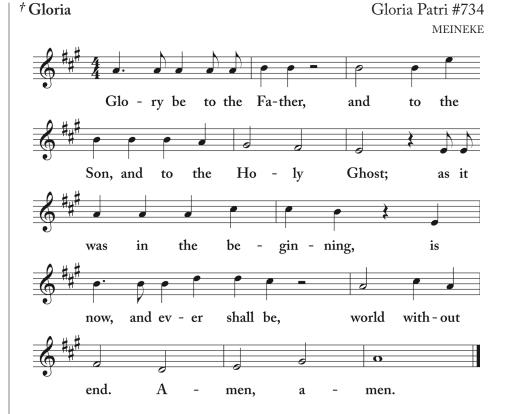
Unison:

All saints—who are united to Jesus Christ their head by his Spirit and by faith—have fellowship with him in his graces, sufferings, death, resurrection, and glory. And, being united to one another in love, they participate in each other's gifts and graces and are obligated to perform those public and private duties which lead to their mutual good, both inwardly and outwardly. It is the duty of professing saints to maintain a holy fellowship and communion in the worship of God and in performing such other spiritual services as help them to edify one another. It is their duty also to come to the aid of one another in material things according to their various abilities and necessities. As God affords opportunity, this communion is to be extended to all those in every place who call on the name of the Lord Jesus.

The communion which the saints have with Christ does not make them in any way partakers of the substance of his Godhead, or in any respect equal with Christ. To affirm either is irreverent and blasphemous. Nor does their fellowship with one another as saints take away or infringe upon any person's title to or right to, his own goods and possessions.

Unison: Thanks be to God!

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.



† New Testament Lesson

1 Corinthians 12

Pew Bible, page 959

Minister: The Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Prayer for Illumination

Proclamation of God's Word

Rev. Scott Hunt

DISCIPLESHIP PATHWAY:

On the Way Together

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



† Hymn of Response

Hymn C • Trinity Hymnal #355

We Are God's People SYMPHONY

Giving to God and Offertory

O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee

Words by Washington Gladden Music by H. Percy Smith Arr. by Dale Grotenhuis

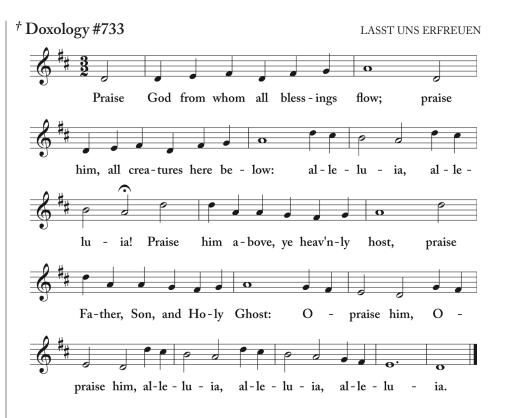
O Master, let me walk with Thee in lowly paths of service free; Tell me thy secret, help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.

Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear winning word of love; Teach me the wayward feet to stay, and guide them in the way.

In hope that sends a shining ray far down the future's broadening way, In peace that only thou canst give, with Thee, O Master let me live. "What do you have that you did not receive?"
(1 Corinthians 4:7)

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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.



†Prayer of Dedication

† Benediction

† Sending Forth Hymn For All the Saints

Hymn D • Trinity Hymnal #358 (Verses 1, 3, and 5)

SINE NOMINE

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

Christ.

People: Thanks be to God!

Postlude How Firm a Foundation FOUNDATION

Please take a moment to greet those around you.

In the benediction, we are blessed to be a blessing.

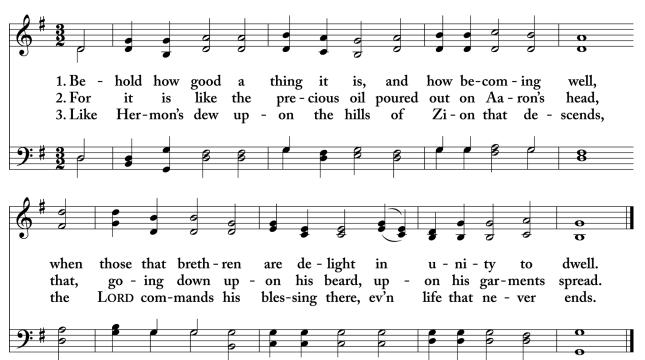
Welcome, visitors! If you are visiting St. Paul's today, we are so glad you have joined us for worship! We would love to get to know you. Email staff@stpaulsorlando.com to let us know your name, contact information, how you heard about St. Paul's, and any questions you may have. Please feel free to introduce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

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Ps. 100:1



Psalm 133



We Are God's People



Bryan Jeffery Leech, 1976
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From Johannes Brahms, Symphony No. 1 in C Minor, 1876 Arr. by Fred Bock, 1976

For All the Saints

They will rest from their labor, for their deeds will follow them. Rev. 14:13



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DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN

Use this plan for your daily Bible reading.

• Sunday, August 24	Lamentations 1 • Psalm 32
• Monday, August 25	Lamentations 2 • Psalm 33
• Tuesday, August 26	Lamentations 3 • Psalm 34
• Wednesday, August 27	Lamentations 4 • Psalm 35
• Thursday, August 28	Lamentations 5 • Psalm 36
• Friday, August 29	Ezekiel 1 • Psalm 37
• Saturday, August 30	Ezekiel 2 • Psalm 38
• Sunday, August 31	Ezekiel 3 • Psalm 39

WEEKLY SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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

- 1. What kinds of community have been most influential in your life? In what ways do you see that impact today?
- 2. As you think of the Church, do you think of it as a community? Why or why not? What are the implications of your answer?
- 3. Read 1 Corinthians 12:3-6, 11, 17-19. How do these verses inform our understanding of the Church? How does this encourage your participation in the Church?
- 4. Paul says we are the body of Christ and individually members of it (1 Cor. 12:27). How does this illustration help us understand that the Church is many members and one body?
- 5. Where have you experienced community at St. Paul's?
- 6. What is the more excellent way in verse 31? How have you seen this manifested in the life of the Church? Where are ways that you need to grow in pursuing this more excellent way?

MONTHLY SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION

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

"Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." (John 14:6)

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.

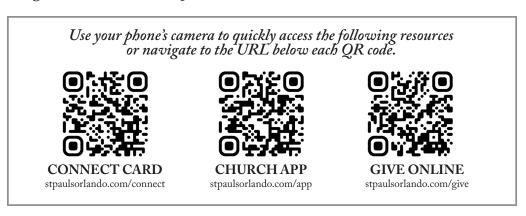
Question: Why do our worship services include readings from both the Old and New Testaments?

Answer: 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). We read from both the Old and New Testament because we are committed to sharing all these treasures or what Paul calls "the whole counsel of God" (Acts 20:27).

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*.



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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