

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 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost October 12, 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

Come, We That Love the Lord ST. THOMAS

Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known; Join in a song with sweet accord, and thus surround the throne.

Then let our songs abound, and every tear be dry; We're marching through Emmanuel's ground to fairer worlds on high.

Call to Worship

From Psalm 34

Minister: I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall

continually be in my mouth.

People: My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble

hear and be glad.

Minister: Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his

name together!

[†] congregation standing

[¤] congregation kneeling



[†] **Hymn of Proclamation** Hymn A • Trinity Hymnal #76 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven LAUDA ANIMA

† Prayer of Adoration

Unison: Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and

follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and

forever. Amen.

[†] Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 43:1-7

Pew Bible, page 603

Minister: The Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

[¤] Prayer of Confession

Unison:

O Lord, the great and awesome God, who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, we have sinned and done wrong and acted wickedly and rebelled, turning aside from your commandments and rules. We have not listened to your servants the prophets, who spoke in your name. To you, O Lord, belongs righteousness, but to us, open shame because we have sinned against you. Now therefore, O our God, listen to the prayer of your servants and to our pleas for mercy, and for your own sake, O Lord, make your face to shine upon your people. O God, incline your ear and hear. Open your eyes and see our desolations, and the people that are called by your name.

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Our weekly prayers of adoration are taken from The Book of Common Prayer, which was compiled by Thomas Cranmer and others, and was first issued in 1549.

In confessing our sins, we humbly agree with Scripture's claim that all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. We do this collectively through a corporate prayer of confession and individually through a silent moment of confession.

For we do not present our pleas before you because of our righteousness, but because of your great mercy. O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive. O Lord, pay attention and act. Delay not, for your own sake, O our God, because your people are called by your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray. Amen

Please take a moment to silently confess your sin.

"Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful"

(Hebrews 10:23). On the cross, the price for all our sin was

paid in full.

Welcome, new members!

^aAssurance of Pardon

From Ephesians 2

Minister: Hear this good news! By grace you have been saved

through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Unison: Thanks be to God!

Public Reception of New Members

Claire Brown
John and Carrie Beth Candeto
Randy and Peggy Hobden
Silas Hoisington
David and Julie Koo
Joie Koo
Sarah Merly
Kellen Moore

David and Michelle Pierce

Anne Rissman
Robert and Lorraine Rodriguez
Alyssa Ryals
Kate Sanchez
Tyler and Noelle Skywalker
John and Judy Theisens
William and Cathy Thornhill
Rey and Beth Villavicencio
Ryleigh Villavicencio

Membership Vows

- 1. Do you acknowledge yourselves to be sinners in the sight of God, justly deserving his displeasure, and without hope save in his sovereign mercy?
- 2. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon him alone for salvation as he is offered in the gospel?
- 3. Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Christ?
- 4. Do you promise to support the church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?
- 5. Do you submit yourselves to the government and discipline of the church, and promise to further its purity and peace?

Prayer



† **Hymn of Consecration** Hymn B • Trinity Hymnal #355 We Are God's People SYMPHONY

† Affirmation of Faith

Westminster Confession of Faith Chapter 3; Section 6; Of God's Eternal Decree

Unison:

As God has appointed the elect to glory, so he has—by the eternal and most free purpose of his will—foreordained all the means to that end. Therefore, his chosen ones, all of them being fallen in Adam, are redeemed by Christ and are effectually called to faith in Christ by his Spirit working in due season. They are justified, adopted, sanctified, and kept by his power, through faith, unto salvation. No others are redeemed by Christ, effectually called, justified, adopted, sanctified, and saved, except the elect only.

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.



† New Testament Lesson

Acts 18:1-23

Pew Bible, page 927

Minister: The Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Prayer for Illumination

Proclamation of God's Word

Rev. Justin Borger

TO THE END OF THE EARTH: Rome Passes No Judgment



† Hymn of Response

My Worth Is Not In What I Own

Hymn C

Words and Music by Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, and Graham Kendrick

Giving to God & Vocal Offertory

Psalm 41 Musical Setting by Ronald Owen

Blest is the one who helps the weak and poor; God will deliver him in times of strife. Surely the LORD will bless him in the land; He will protect him and preserve his life.

You will not hand him over to his foes, Nor give him over to their evil will. When on his sick bed, him will God sustain; you, LORD, will raise him up, Lord, when he is ill.

I said, "O LORD, be gracious unto me; Heal me, because against you I have sinned." Enemies speak with malice when they say, "When will he die, his name brought to end?"

He comes to me with evil in his heart, when he goes out, he spreads his empty lies.

All of my foes who hate me whisper low, plotting the worst that those evil minds devise.

You hold me fast in my integrity; you set me in your presence evermore.

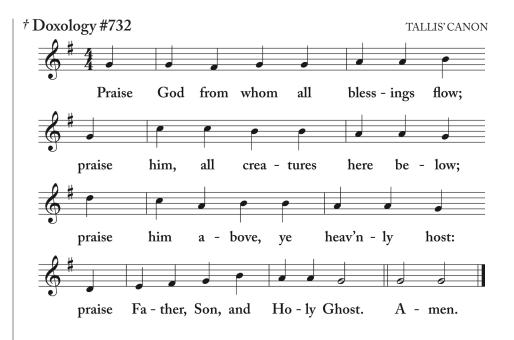
Bless Isr'el's God, LORD, from age to age! Amen. Amen.

Forever praise the LORD!

"For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich" (2 Corinthians 8:9).

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"Faith comes from hearing" (Romans 10:17).



With the benediction, God places his name upon us as his people (Numbers 6:27).

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† Prayer of Dedication

† Sending Forth Hymn The Church's One Foundation

 $Hymn\ D \bullet Trinity\ Hymnal\ \#347\ \textit{(Verses\ 2,5, and\ 6)}$

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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.

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.

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Praise the LORD, all his works everywhere in his dominion. Praise the LORD, O my soul. Ps. 103:22



We Are God's People



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

My Worth Is Not In What I Own





The Church's One Foundation

Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. Eph. 2:20



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DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN

Use this plan for your daily Bible reading.

 Sunday, October 12 	Ezekiel 45 • Psalm 99-101
• Monday, October 13	Ezekiel 46 • Psalm 102
• Tuesday, October 14	Ezekiel 47 • Psalm 103
• Wednesday, October 15	Ezekiel 48 • Psalm 104
• Thursday, October 16	Daniel 1 • Psalm 105
• Friday, October 17	Daniel 2 • Psalm 106
• Saturday, October 18	Daniel 3 • Psalm 107
• Sunday, October 19	Daniel 4 • Psalm 108

WEEKLY SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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

- 1. What do we know about Corinth and the characteristics of Paul's experience and ministry in this city?
- 2. What encouragement and practical application should we draw from the way Jesus reassures Paul in 18:9-11?
- 3. What does Jesus mean when he tells Paul "I have many in this city who are my people" (v. 10)? What is he saying?
- 4. What is the significance of Gallio's refusal to pass judgment on Paul in 18:12-17?

MONTHLY SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION

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

"The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead" (Acts 17:30-31).

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: Are children welcome in worship?

Answer: Yes! It is our prayer that every child in our midst would experience the welcome of Jesus who said, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven" (Matthew 19:14).

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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