

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 Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost November 2, 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

When Morning Gilds the Skies LAUDES DOMINI

God, who calls us into his presence to worship, loves us and has freed us from our sins through the blood of Jesus Christ Call to Worship

From Psalm 95

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

People: Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Minister: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;

People: 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.

† congregation standing

z congregation kneeling



† Hymn of Proclamation Hymn A • Trinity Hymnal #38 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

†Prayer of Adoration

Unison:

Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift that your faithful people offer you true and laudable service: Grant that we may run without stumbling to obtain your heavenly promises; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

† Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

Unison:

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Unison:

Thanks be to God!

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

† Gloria

Glory Be to God I

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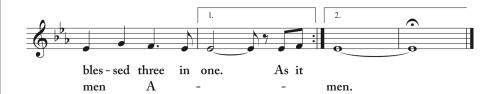
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† Old Testament Lesson

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Malachi 3:6-12

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Minister: The Word of the Lord!

For

People: Thanks be to God!

Prayer for Illumination

Proclamation of God's Word

Rev. John Cherne

THOSE WHO FEAR THE LORD:

The Immutability of God and the Fickleness of Man

ⁿ 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 Colossians 2

Minister: You, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with Christ, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

Unison: Thanks be to God!

"Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper, but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy" (Proverbs 28:13).



"Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours...But who am I, and what is my people that we should be able thus to offer willingly? For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you."

(1 Chronicles 29:11,14)

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Giving to God & Choral Offertory

Where Thou Leadest Me

Words and Music by Bryan Fowler, Ben Shive, and Kristyn Getty

Where Thou leadest me, I dare not find complaint
For Thou has never left, Nor will for all my days.

Thy presence is my good and it shall ever be;

I will go where Thou leadest me.

Sov'reign is Thy hand to guide me when I'm worn;
Thy good and perfect will holds fast through ev'ry storm.
What time I am afraid, my faith looks up to Thee;
I will trust where Thou leadest me.

On the mountain high, through the valley deep, I will go where Thou leadest me.

O, Shepherd, keep me near for I am prone to stray.

The frailty of my flesh seeks refuge in Thy grace.

This promise is my peace; my soul is safe in Thee,

I will rest as Thou leadest me.

Savior, light my path unto that final day.

If Thou art Lord of life, why should I fear the grave?

Proud death has lost its sting for all eternity.

I will rise where Thou leadest me.

Home with Christ, where Thou leadest me.



At St. Paul's, we celebrate the Lord's Supper on the first Sunday of every month.

Our Communion bread is

gluten free.

Children's Church does not meet on Communion Sundays.

† Celebration of Communion

Minister: The Lord be with you!

People: And also with you!

Minister: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

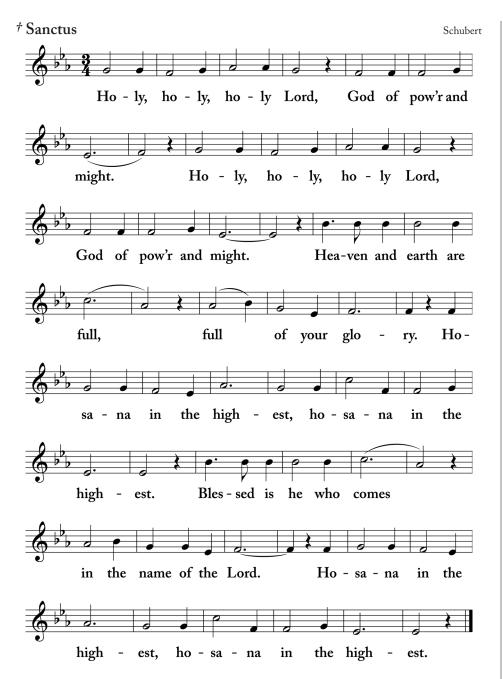
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord!

People: It is good and right so to do!

Minister: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and

everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Because you gave your only Son to be born for us; who, by the power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the virgin Mary, his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you,

and glorify your name as we sing,



Sanctus means "holy" in Latin. In historic Christian liturgies, a hymn of praise acknowledging the holiness of God is often sung before the solemn celebration of the Lord's Supper.

Prayer of Dedication

When Jesus instituted the Lord's Supper, he did so with thanksgiving (1 Corinthians 11:24). Accordingly, this sacrament is sometimes called the "Eucharist," a meal of thanksgiving.

Words of Institution

Minister: Therefore, we proclaim the faith:

People: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Communion Hymn

Christ, Our Hope in Life and Death

Hymn B

Words and Music by Getty, Boswell, Kauflin, Merker, and Papa

Communion Hymn

And Can It Be That I Should Gain

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Hymn C • Trinity Hymnal #455

† Prayer of Thanks

Unison:

Gracious God, you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. We have recalled your mighty acts in holy history. We have seen your power in sending light to conquer darkness, water to give us life, and the bread of heaven to nourish us in love. Send us with your salvation and joy to all the world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

† Benediction

† Sending Forth Hymn

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Hymn D • Trinity Hymnal #32 (Verses 1 and 3)

FAITHFULNESS

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

Christ.

People: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Lead On, O King Eternal

LANCASHIRE

Please take a moment to greet those around you.

Since the early days of the Church, the observance of Holy Communion has been accompanied by the giving of offerings to the poor. For the month of November, we are designating our deacons' fund offering to Hurricane Melissa relief.

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



Christ Our Hope in Life and Death







Words and music by Keith Getty, Matt Boswell, Jordan Kauflin, Matt Merker, and Matt Papa

And Can It Be That I Should Gain

While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Rom. 5:8



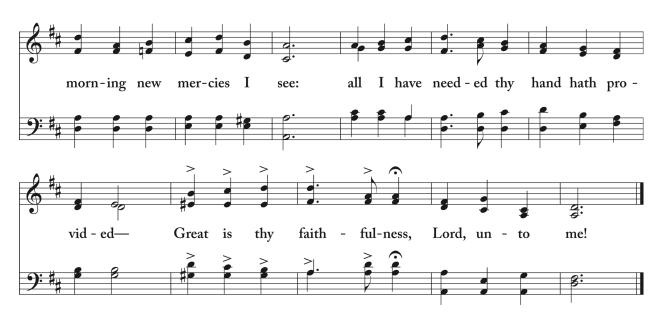


Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Because of the LORD'S great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail.

They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. Lam. 3:22, 23





THOSE WHO FEAR THE LORD:

The Immutability of God and the Fickleness of Man

Malachi 3:6-12 | Rev. John Cherne

The Big Idea: God's immutability is not a sterile doctrine but the living foundation of our hope: though his people change, he remains faithful and unchanging. His covenant love both preserves and pursues a wayward people. Though Israel's hearts are cold and their worship hollow, the Lord's constancy stands in sharp contrast to their fickleness. In grace, he calls them to return—not because he needs their offerings, but because he desires their hearts. And when they do return, he promises to bless them once more, which will be a testimony to the nations.

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DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN

Use this plan for your daily Bible reading.

 Sunday, November 2 	Hosea 8 • Psalm 123-125
• Monday, Novemer 3	Hosea 9 • Psalm 126-128
• Tuesday, November 4	Hosea 10 • Psalm 129-131
• Wednesday, November 5	Hosea 11 • Psalm 132-134
• Thursday, November 6	Hosea 12 • Psalm 135-136
• Friday, November 7	Hosea 13 • Psalm 137-138
• Saturday, November 8	Hosea 14 • Psalm 139
• Sunday, November 9	Joel 1 • Psalm 140-141

WEEKLY SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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

- 1. Malachi 3:6 declares, "For I the LORD do not change; therefore you, O children of Jacob, are not consumed." How does God's immutability give you confidence and hope? In what ways have you seen his covenant faithfulness sustain you despite your own weakness?
- 2. In verses 7–9, God calls his people to return to him, exposing their hollow worship. Where do we see the same temptation today? How does the Lord's invitation to "return to me" display his grace?
- 3. The people asked, "How have we robbed you?" revealing hearts that misunderstood God's generosity. How does trusting God with our resources reflect the health of our worship and faith?
- 4. In verses 10–12, God invites his people to test his faithfulness and promises to open the windows of heaven in blessing. What does it mean to "test" God in this passage?
- 5. The passage ends with the nations calling God's people "blessed." How does our repentance, obedience, and joyful dependence on God serve as a witness to the world? What might it look like for the church today to display the beauty of an unchanging God before the nations?

MONTHLY SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION

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

"In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive" (Acts 20:35).

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 we take up a monthly collection for the deacons' fund on Communion Sundays?

Answer: Paul rebuked the Corinthians for the disgraceful way they failed to care for the poor among them when they came together to observe the Lord's Supper, saying, "One goes hungry, another gets drunk" (1 Corinthians 11:21). By way of contrast, this offering is a practical way we affirm the communion of the saints and the unity that we share—regardless of whether we are rich or poor—as members of Christ's one body.

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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