

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 Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost August 31, 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

O Father, You Are Sovereign

O Father, you are sovereign in all the worlds you made; Your mighty word was spoken and light and life obeyed. Your voice commands the seasons and bounds the ocean's shore, Sets stars within their courses and stills the tempests' roar.

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: 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

x congregation kneeling



[†] Hymn of Proclamation

Hymn A • Trinity Hymnal #311

Hail to the Lord's Anointed AURELIA

[†] Prayer of Adoration

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all Unison:

good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and

the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

† Psalter Lesson Psalm 41

> Pew Bible, page 469 The Word of the Lord!

Minister: People: Thanks be to God!

[¤] Prayer of Confession

Unison: Have mercy on us, O God, according to your steadfast

> love; according to your abundant mercy blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity, and cleanse us from our sin. For we know our transgressions, and our sin is ever before us. Against you, you only, have we sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment. Behold, we were brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did our mothers

conceive us.

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

There is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents (Luke 15:10).

Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being, and you teach wisdom in the secret heart. Forgive all our sins for the sake of your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ; wash us thoroughly through the blood of his sacrifice and we shall be whiter than snow. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Cast us not away from your presence, O God, and take not your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation, in Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Please take a moment to silently confess your sin.

In the Assurance of Pardon, tired and weary sinners are comforted with the good news of God's grace and forgiveness.

ⁿ Assurance of Pardon

From Titus 3

Minister: When the goodness and loving-kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Unison:

Thanks be to God!

ⁿ Pastoral Prayer

¤ Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Unison:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

"Before they call, I will answer; while they are yet speaking, I will hear" (Isaiah 65:24).



† Hymn of Consecration

Hymn B

Fill Us With Your Fullness, God

Words by Pastor Justin Borger

TUNE: DIX

† Affirmation of Faith

Westminster Shorter Catechism

Questions and Answers #27 and #28

Minister: Wherein did Christ's humiliation consist?

People: Christ's humiliation consisted in his being born,

and that in a low condition, made under the law, undergoing the miseries of this life, the wrath of God, and the cursed death of the cross, in being buried, and

continuing under the power of death for a time.

Minister: Wherein consists Christ's exaltation?

People: Christ's exaltation consists in his rising again from the

dead on the third day, in ascending up into heaven, in sitting at the right hand of God the Father, and in

coming to judge the world at the last day.

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

John 13:1-20

Pew Bible, page 900

Minister: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ!

People: Thanks be to the Lord!

Prayer for Illumination

Proclamation of God's Word

Rev. Justin Borger

DISCIPLESHIP PATHWAY:

On the Way of Service



† Hymn of Response Hymn C

Take My Life and Let It Be

Words by Frances R. Havergal Music by Ronald Owen

Giving to God and Offertory

Bach Chorale BWV 276; Christ Ist Erstanden (Christ Is Risen)

Christ is risen
From all his torments,
We should all be joyful at this,
Christ wants to be our consolation.
Lord have mercy.

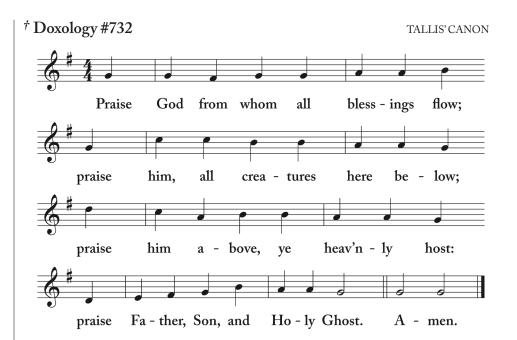
If he were not risen,
Then the world would be lost.
Since he is risen,
We praise the father of Jesus Christ.
Lord have mercy.

Alleluia,
Alleluia, alleluia!
We should all be joyful at this,
That Christ will be our consolation.
Lord have mercy.

(Translated from the original German text)

"Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts!" (Psalm 96:8)

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†Prayer of Dedication

† Benediction

[†] Sending Forth Hymn

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

Hymn D • Trinity Hymnal #604 (Verses 1, 5, and 6)

MARION

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

Christ.

People:

Thanks be to God!

Postlude

O God Beyond All Praising

THAXTED

Please take a moment to greet those around you.

Both the initiating ritual of baptism (Matthew 28:19) and the regular pronouncement of the Lord's benediction place God's name upon his people (Numbers 6:27).

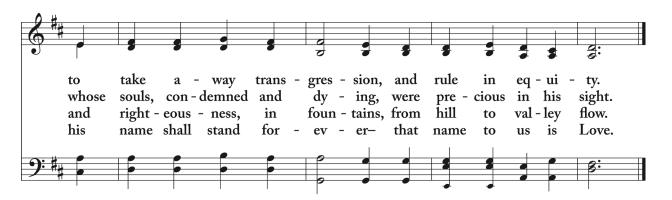
Welcome, visitors! If you are visiting St. Paul's today, we are so glad you have joined us for worship! We would love to get to know you. Email staff@ stpaulsorlando.com to let us know your name, contact information, how you heard about St. Paul's, and any questions you may have. Please feel free to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

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

In his days the righteousness will flourish; prosperity will abound till the moon is no more.

Ps. 72:7





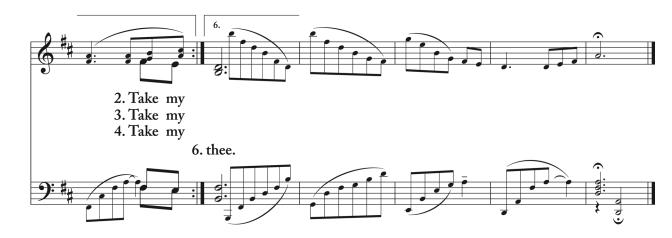
Fill Us With Your Fullness, God



Take My Life and Let It Be

Just as you used to offer the parts of your body in slavery to impurity ... so now offer them in slavery to righteousness. Mark 15:25





- 5. Take my will and make it thine; it shall no longer be mine.

 Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne, it shall be thy royal throne.
- 6. Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure-store.

 Take my self, and I will be ever, only, all for thee, ever, only, all for thee.

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

Who may ascend the hill of the LORD?...He who has clean hands and a pure heart. Ps. 24:3, 4



ISCIPLESHIP PATHWAT:		
n the Way of Service		
ohn 13:1-20 Rev. Justin Borger		
The Big Idea: Because our Lord became a servant who took up the basin and the towel and loved us "to the end" (13:1), we must humble ourselves to receive his infinitely condescending love and follow his humble way of service.		
Receiving infinitely condescending love		
Following the lowly way of service		

DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN

Use this plan for your daily Bible reading.

• Sunday, August 31	Ezekiel 3 • Psalm 39
• Monday, September 1	Ezekiel 4 • Psalm 40-41
• Tuesday, September 2	Ezekiel 5 • Psalm 42-43
• Wednesday, September 3	Ezekiel 6 • Psalm 44
• Thursday, September 4	Ezekiel 7 • Psalm 45
• Friday, September 5	Ezekiel 8 • Psalm 46-47
• Saturday, September 6	Ezekiel 9 • Psalm 48
• Sunday, September 7	Ezekiel 10 • Psalm 49

Weekly Sermon Discussion Questions

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

- 1. What is the setting of John 13:1-20? In what context did Jesus stoop to wash his disciples' feet?
- 2. What does John say that Jesus knew (see verses 1 and 3) before he washed his disciples' feet and why is this important?
- 3. What does John mean when he says that Jesus loved his own "to the end" (13:1)?
- 4. Why is receiving so hard? Have you come to terms with your need to receive Christ's humble service? Have you acknowledged to God, to yourself, and to others that you need to be washed by Jesus? Or do you push back like Peter?
- 5. If you are honest, do you think (or act as if) some forms of service are below you? If Jesus was willing to wash his disciples' feet, is anything below us?
- 6. If you are honest, are there some people that you refuse to serve? If Jesus was willing to wash Judas' dirty feet, is there anyone we should refuse to serve?
- 7. In verse 17 Jesus says "If you know these things, blessed are you if you do them." What makes following Jesus' humble way of service not just a duty, but a blessing?
- 8. Have you found a way to serve others in your personal vocation (as, for instance, a mother, businessman, student, etc.)? Have you found a place to serve at St. Paul's?

MONTHLY SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION

"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 Testaments 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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