

**SAINT PAUL'S CHURCH  
IN THE CITY AND DIOCESE OF ALBANY**

The Second Sunday of Easter  
April 12, 2026, 10:30 a.m.

**WELCOME TO SAINT PAUL'S!** We are very glad you are here to respond in praise and prayer to Jesus' invitation, *Do this in memory of me*. This leaflet will guide you through our celebration of the Holy Eucharist. Please use the red *Book of Common Prayer* and *The Hymnal 1982*, both found in the pews. Immediately following the liturgy, refreshments will be available in the Blue Room. An usher or greeter will be happy to assist you with directions. Let us now rejoice and give thanks.

**SUNG EUCHARIST**

**The Liturgy of the Word**

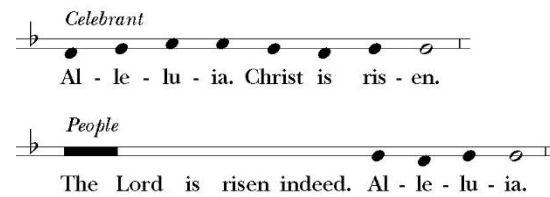
Organ Voluntary

Prelude on "*O filii et filiae*"  
Healey Willan (1880-1968)

Entrance Hymn 180

"He is risen"  
*User Herrscher*

A Penitential Order



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Gloria S277

David Hurd (b. 1950)

The Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles  
(2:14a, 22-32)

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him, 'I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.' "Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, 'He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.' This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses."

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 16 Conserva me, Domine

- 1 Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; \*  
I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord,  
my good above all other."
- 2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, \*  
upon those who are noble among the people.
- 3 But those who run after other gods \*  
shall have their troubles multiplied.
- 4 Their libations of blood I will not offer, \*  
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.
- 5 O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; \*  
it is you who uphold my lot.
- 6 My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; \*  
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.
- 7 I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; \*  
my heart teaches me, night after night.
- 8 I have set the LORD always before me; \*  
because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.
- 9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; \*  
my body also shall rest in hope.
- 10 For you will not abandon me to the grave, \*  
nor let your holy one see the Pit.
- 11 You will show me the path of life; \*  
in your presence there is fullness of joy,  
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

The Second Lesson

A Reading from the First Letter of Peter  
(1:3-9)

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith-- being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire-- may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn 206

"O sons and daughters, let us sing!"  
*O filii et filiae*

The Holy Gospel

John (20:19-31)

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

Deacon Todaro

The Nicene Creed

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The Prayers of the People Form V

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The Peace

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Announcements

**The Holy Communion**

Offertory Hymn 210

“The day of resurrection!”  
*Ellacombe*

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer B) BCP page 367

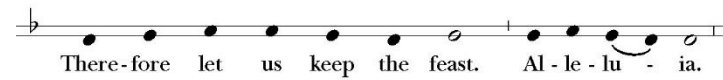
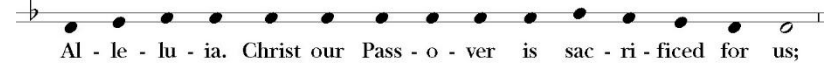
Sanctus S124

Hurd

Our Father S119

The Breaking of the Bread

*This setting is not used in Lent.*



*This setting may be sung full by all, or by the choir, or as a versicle and response.*

Agnus Dei S161

Hurd

The Communion

*All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion at this service.  
Gluten-free hosts are available upon request.*

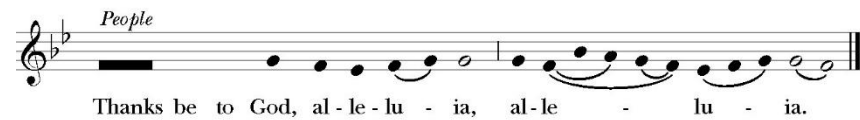
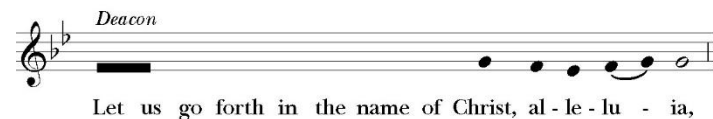
Communion Hymn 188

“Love’s redeeming work is done”  
*Savannah*

Post-Communion Prayer

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The Blessing



Dismissal Hymn 200

“Come, ye faithful, raise the  
strain of triumphant gladness!”  
*Gaudeamus pariter*

Organ Voluntary

*Toccata on “O filii et filiae”*  
Lynwood Farnum (1885-1930)

**The Very Reverend Marshall J. Vang, *Parish Priest***  
**The Reverend Alicia Todaro, *Deacon***  
**The Reverend Leslie Hughs, *Rector Emeritus***  
**Steven L. Rosenberry, *Organist and Director of Music***  
**Nelson Moore, *Parish Administrator***  
**Matthew Vitti, *Sexton***

ASSISTING THIS WEEK

**Altar Servers: Rod C., Matt A., Lisa W.**  
**Readers: Candace D., Lisa W., Carol A.**  
**Chalice Bearers: Rod C., Deacon Todaro**  
**Greeter: Barbara W.**  
**Ushers: Barbara W, Raelynn H.**  
**Altar Guild: Barbara W., Karen H.**

IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

For those who celebrate a birthday:

Hector 4/18, Pierce 4/16.

For those in need of healing, guidance, and comfort:

Hilda, Lynn, Matt, Raelynn, Joe, Elizabeth, Anita, Ty, Paul, Russell, Laura.

For those who have asked for our prayers:

Bob Caldwell and the people of All Saints’ Catholic Mission in Oakland Park, Florida.

For our mission partners:

Mother Martha Hubbard and the people of Saint Andrew’s Episcopal Church, Albany.

Father Samuel Louis Charles, and the people of Christ the King Episcopal Church and parish school in LaHoye, Haiti.

Father Nicolas Stebbing, and the Tariro orphanages.

For the departed: Robert Graham and all of our loved ones.

SAINT PAUL’S VESTRY

**Denise Mason, *Senior Warden***

**Mark Lowery, *Junior Warden***

**Jennifer Andrus \* Eric Chan \* Gillian Conover**

**William Harrison \* Karen Hibbert \* Melvin Hitt**

**Tristan Lowery \* Katherine Storms \* Rachael Thomas**

**Sandra Feck, *Clerk of Vestry***

**Sandra Lowery, *Treasurer***

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SAINT PAUL’S PRAYS FOR A NEW RECTOR

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on your Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The Book of Common Prayer*

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