

# St. Paul's Episcopal Church

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*¡Hallelujah!*



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*He is Risen!*

Holy Eucharist Rite II

March 31, 2024

# St. Paul's Episcopal Church

## *Liturgy of the Word*

Introit	<b><i>“Morning has broken”</i></b>	Hymn 8
Processional	<b><i>“Welcome, happy morning!”</i></b> <i>Age to age shall say</i>	Hymn 179
Celebrant	<b><i>Alleluia Christ is Risen</i></b>	BCP 355
People	<b><i>The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia</i></b>	
Gloria		S-280
Collect of the Day		BCP 222
First Reading		Acts 10:34-43
Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24		BCP 760-761
Second Reading		I Corinthians 15:1-11
Sequence	<b><i>“The strife is o’er the battle done”</i></b>	Hymn 208
Holy Gospel		Mark 16:1-8
Sermon		Rev’d Edward Gómez
The Nicene Creed		BCP 358
Prayers of the People Form IV		BCP 388
The Peace		BCP 360

## *The Holy Communion*

Offertory	<b><i>“Alleluia, Christ is Risen”</i></b>	Choir
The Doxology	<b><i>“Alleluias”</i></b>	Hymn 618
Eucharistic Prayer A		BCP 361
Sanctus		S-125
Communion	<b><i>“This Joyful Eastertide”</i></b>	Choir
Communion II	<b><i>“At the Lamb’s high feast we sing”</i></b>	Hymn 174
Post-Communion Prayer		BCP 365
Recessional	<b><i>“Jesus Christ is Risen today”</i></b>	Hymn 207

*All baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Communion in this church. Please maintain devotional silence during the administration of the Elements.*

## The Collect

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## First Reading

*Acts 10:34-43*

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

The Word of Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God**

## Psalm 118:1-2,14-24



1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; \*  
his mercy endures for ever.

**2 Let Israel now proclaim, \***  
**"His mercy endures for ever."**

14 The LORD is my strength and my song, \*  
and he has become my salvation.

**15 There is a sound of exultation and victory \***  
**in the tents of the righteous:**

16 "The right hand of the LORD has triumphed! \*  
the right hand of the LORD is exalted!  
the right hand of the LORD has triumphed!"

**17 I shall not die, but live, \***  
**and declare the works of the LORD.**

18 The LORD has punished me sorely, \*  
but he did not hand me over to death.

**19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; \***  
**I will enter them;**  
**I will offer thanks to the LORD.**

20 "This is the gate of the LORD; \*  
he who is righteous may enter."

**21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me**  
**\*and have become my salvation.**

22 The same stone which the builders rejected \*  
has become the chief cornerstone.

**23 This is the LORD's doing, \***  
**and it is marvelous in our eyes.**

24 On this day the LORD has acted; \*  
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

## **Second Reading**

### ***1 Corinthians 15:1-11***

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you--unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them--though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

The Word of Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God**

## **The Gospel**

### ***Mark 16:1-8***

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint Jesus. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there

is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.” So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

The Gospel of the Lord

**People: Praise to you Lord Christ!**

**To those worshiping with us for the first time: Welcome to St. Paul’s! We are delighted that you chose to worship with us today and hope that your experience is rewarding. If there is anything we can do for you, feel free to contact us. We would like to get acquainted with you!**

**OPEN DOORS – OPEN HEARTS**

**WE ARE A FAMILY OF LOVE IN CHRIST**

Mission Statement of St Paul’s/San Pablo:

**Our doors and our hearts are open  
to *everyone* who seeks to know God.**

**In our prayer this week, let us lift up...**

- **The Archbishop of Canterbury** – Justin
- **Our Presiding Bishop** – Michael
- **Our Bishops** – Andy, Kai, Jeff and Hector
- **Our Clergy** – Ed, Alyssa
- **Our Senior Warden** – Mauricio
- **The leaders of our nation** – especially Joseph, the Congress of the United States, the Supreme Court, Greg, Sylvester and all in authority, that by their leadership we may lead a quiet and peaceful life in the service of God and to His honor and glory.
- **Our Church Family** – for those in leadership and for every member of St. Paul’s, both present and absent
- **Those who are sick, Those who have died**

**Those who celebrate birthdays and anniversary**

## Today's Servers

<b>L.E.M.</b>	Olga
<b>LECTORS:</b>	Bernadette, & Lee Ann
<b>USHERS:</b>	David
<b>ALTAR GUILD:</b>	Iris, Mo, & Shannon

### **CLERGY AND STAFF SERVING ST. PAUL'S**

Vicar	Rev. Ed Gomez
Organist	Phil Scoles
Choir Director	Kari Zimmerman
Music	Jose Sanchez
Senior Warden	Mauricio Umana
Office Admin.	Irene Aguirre González

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- We have created a QR code through **Zelle** to facilitate your contributions to the church. Saint Paul's Episcopal Church of Houston [vicar@stpaulsanpablo.org](mailto:vicar@stpaulsanpablo.org)









### **Urgent prayers for the sick**

**Heavenly Father, we ask you to watch over and give strength to your flock in their time of need.**

**Gregory**

**Elizabeth**

**Liz**

**Elvia**

**Miriam**

**Irene**

**Clint**

**Peggy**

**Tom**

**Debra**

**Florian**

**Fred**

**Sonya**

**Shirley**

**Pamela**

**Harriett**

**Betty**

**All people suffering from natural disasters.**

**For all who suffer from acts of Violence.**