

19th Sunday after Pentecost October 19, 2025

WELCOME! We are blessed to worship with you today! If you are visiting, we are delighted that you're here. If you have any questions, please ask anyone near you. To find out everything going on at St. Paul's, visit www.stpaulsokc.com.

SERVING TODAY:

Reader: Paula Schopflin

Ushers: Steve Botkin, Micah Moeller, Tony Nutter, Bill Schopflin & Rex Bross

Children's Message: Jill Nobles-Botkin

Altar Guild: Amy Bandi

Communion Assistant: Debi & Roger Musick, Susi Laflin, Marci Waguespack,

Abby & Henson Davis – NEED 1

Video assistant: Steve Powell

Acolyte & Crucifer: Maelee & Evelyn Moeller

PRELUDE: Ron Wallace

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your Holy Name, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. (Pause for silent reflection) Gracious God.

Have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned away from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion, forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may serve you in the newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

God who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together in Christ. By grace we have been saved and in the name of Christ your sins are forgiven. **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN: #848 Give to our God Immortal Praise!

Give to our God immortal praise! Mercy and truth are all his ways. Wonders of grace to God belong; repeat his mercies in your song.

He sent his Son with pow'r to save from guilt and darkness and the grace. Wonders of grace to God belong; repeat his mercies in your song.

Give to the Lord of lords renown; the king of kings with glory crown. His mercies ever shall endure when lords and kings are known no more!

The Lord be with you.

And also, with you.



Let us pray. O Lord God, tireless guardian of your people, you are always ready to hear our cries. Teach us to rely day and night on your care. Inspire us to seek your enduring justice for all this suffering world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING Genesis 32:22-31

²²The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." ²⁷So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans and have prevailed." ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, yet my life is preserved." ³¹The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

PSALM 121

¹I lift up my eyes to the hills;

from where is my help to come?

²My help comes from the LORD,

the maker of heaven and earth.

The LORD will not let your foot be moved

nor will the one who watches over you fall asleep.

⁴Behold, the keeper of Israel

will neither slumber nor sleep;

⁵the LORD watches over you;

the LORD is your shade at your right hand;

⁶the sun will not strike you by day,

nor the moon by night.

⁷The LORD will preserve you from all evil

and will keep your life.

⁸The LORD will watch over your going out and your coming in,

from this time forth forevermore.

SECOND READING

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

¹⁴But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it ¹⁵and how from childhood you have known sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷so that the person of God may be

proficient, equipped for every good work.

4In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: ²proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage with the utmost patience in teaching. ³For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound teaching, but, having their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires ⁴and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. ⁵As for you, be sober in everything, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia!

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel according to Luke. Glory to you, O Lord

GOSPEL READING

Luke 18:1-8

18 Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ²He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my accuser.' ⁴For a while he refused, but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.' ⁶And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? ⁸I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE SPECIAL MUSIC MESSAGE Jill Nobles-Botkin
Same God
Pastor Stefanie Rowinski

Kristin Grubb

Praise & Thanksgiving Be to God **HYMN**

Praise and thanksgiving be to God our maker, source of all blessing, prodigal creator. Baptized and made your own, now we come before you, and we adore you.

Not our own holiness, nor that we have striven brings us the peace which you, O Christ, have given. Baptized and set apart, strengthen us, O Savior, with grace and favor.

Come, Holy Spirit, come in visitation; you are the truth, our hope, and our salvation. Baptize with joy and pow'r, give, O Dove descending, life never ending.

BAPTISM

Presentation and Examination of the Candidate:

Parents: We present Maisyn Dianne, Evangelyn Sue and Jackson Scott Hardison to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Question to the Congregation: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support them in their life in Christ?

People: We will.

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of

the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: 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.

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

People: I will, with God's help.

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent, and return to the Lord?

People: I will, with God's help.

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People: I will, with God's help.

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People: I will, with God's help.

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People: I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidates

Let us now pray for the ones who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

Lord, hear our prayer.
Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Send them into the world in witness to your love.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory, who lives and reigns now and forever. **Amen.**

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

...To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

The Baptism

Maisyn Dianne, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Evangelyn Sue, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Jackson Scott, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Let us pray. Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

The Sign of the Cross with Chrism

Maisyn Dianne, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever.

Evangelyn Sue, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever.

Jackson Scott, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever. **Amen.**

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People: We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

Congregational Welcome: God Claims You

(See music insert placed in your pew back.)
Refrain: Maisyn, Evangelyn and Jackson, God claims you,
God helps you, protects you and loves you too.
Verse 1: We this day do all agree. A child of God you'll always be. Refrain
Verse 2: We are here to say this day that we will help you on your way. Refrain

Please note there is no offertory during service, our offering plates are located at the back of the sanctuary, or scan to QR code to give online.



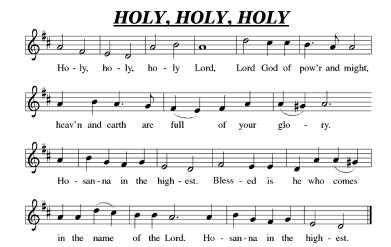
COMMUNION

The Lord be with you. And also, with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to the glory of your Name:



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to all of them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

...By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day, our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. AMEN

DISTRIBUTION OF ELEMENTS

Let us pray. Almighty and ever-living God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

May the Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you and lead you into the way of truth and life. Amen.

POSTLUDE Ron Wallace SENDING

Go in Peace. Remember the poor. Thanks be to God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRUNK OR TREAT & CANDY COMPETITION

Trunk or Treat will be from 5-7 on October 26. Sign-ups are available in the narthex. October 1st our class candy competition will begin to see which class can collect the most candy! Each class will have a designated tub in the activity center. All candy will be handed out at Trunk or Treat.

80th CELEBRATION

We will be celebrating St. Paul's 80th Anniversary with a special catered meal on Sunday, Nov. 2nd. We will be having turkey, dressing, cranberry sauce, salad, rolls & dessert. The cost will be \$15/adult & \$10/children under 10. Tickets will be on sale in the narthex each Sunday in October.

STORIES OF SAINTS

To honor the 80 years St. Paul's has been loving, serving and growing in Christ, we want to collect the stories of the saints over the years. Will you tell about someone who has impacted you or the church, a ministry experience where your life or the lives of others was changed, or how God has worked in your life while you have been part of St. Paul's? The Church has always celebrated the faithfulness of God through sharing the stories of God's people. We want to do the same! There are stories and moments only you know. Will you write them down so we can give God thanks and praise? Send your stories (they don't have to be long!) to Pastor Stefanie through email or leave a printed copy in her box!

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

OCTOBER

10/19- Worship No education

10/20 - 9am Canticle Ringers

10/21 - Twilight Tones

10/22- Wednesday Night Activities

Class candy competition

5:45 Meal - Pizza 6:30- Adult Choir & Education 10/26- Worship & Education

Reformation & Confirmation Sunday

5-7 Trunk or Treat

10/27- 9am Canticle Ringers

10/28- Twilight Tones

10/29- Wednesday Night Activities

5:45 Meal -Chili Dogs

6:30- Adult Choir & Education