



11th Sunday after Pentecost

August 16, 2026

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: Olivia Baker, Elie Behrens
Prayer Leader: Evelyn Moeller
Ushers: Luke Green, Keith Kilpatrick, Patti Spain, Ted Teske & Mike Thompson,
Luke Baker, Arabella Veit, Atticus Veit
Children's Message: Jessica Purdum
Altar Guild: Jessica Purdum
Communion Assistants: Henson Davis, Drew Purdum, Maelee Moeller, Mia Greiner,
Evie Hardison, Viktor Teske, Elie Behrens
Video assistant: Mike Lewis
Acolyte & Crucifer: Atticus & Arabella Veit

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: Cornerstone

My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame But wholly trust in Jesus' name

(Refrain) Christ alone, cornerstone Weak made strong, in the Savior's love
Through the storm He is Lord, Lord of all

When darkness seems to hide His face I rest on His unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale My anchor holds within the veil ***(Refrain)***

Then He shall come with trumpets sound Oh, may I then in Him be found
Dressed in His righteousness alone Faultless, stand before the throne ***(Refrain)***

The Lord be with you.

And also, with you.

Kyrie 1 & 2

Refrain



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.

Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.

1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
2 That we may live out your im-passioned re-sponse to the
3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . . for
4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the

u-ni-ty of all; for
hun-gry and the poor; that
friends and fam-i-ly; for
wa-ter and the word; that you

this ho-ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
we may live out . . . truth and jus-tice and grace,
life and for love, . . . for our work and our play,
nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod-y and blood,

Refrain

let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

Let us pray. God of all peoples, your arms reach out to embrace all those who call upon you. Teach us as disciples of your Son to love the world with compassion and constancy, that your name may be known throughout the earth, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

56 Thus says the Lord: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come and my deliverance be revealed.

6 And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord, to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord, and to be his servants, all who keep the Sabbath and do not profane it and hold fast my covenant—

7 these I will bring to my holy mountain and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. **8** Thus says the Lord God, who gathers the outcasts of Israel: I will gather others to them besides those already gathered.

Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God!**

PSALM 67

1 May God be merciful to us and bless us;
may the light of God's face shine upon us.

2 Let your way be known upon earth,
your saving health among all nations.

3 Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations on earth.

5 Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

6 The earth has brought forth its increase;
God, our own God, has blessed us.

7 May God give us blessing,
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe.

SECOND READING**Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32**

11 I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. **2**God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. **29**for the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. **30**Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, **31**so also they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they also may now receive mercy. **32**For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

Word of God, Word of Life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION- *(Please stand)* ***Alleluia!***

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

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord

GOSPEL READING**Matthew 15:21-28**

21Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. **22**Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." **23**But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." **24**He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." **25**But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." **26**He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." **27**She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." **28**Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed from that moment.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**Jessica Purdum****SPECIAL MUSIC*****Here I Am*****Maelee Moeller****MESSAGE****Pastor Stefanie;****Mission Trip—Luke Purdum; Maisyn Hardison; Romi Behrens****MISSION TRIP SLIDESHOW****HYMN**

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Here I am, Lord

"I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.

I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?"

REFRAIN: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.

I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

"I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.

I have wept for love of them. They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.

I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?" **REFRAIN**

"I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.

I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?" **REFRAIN**

APOSTLE'S CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, 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, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. AMEN.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy." (Brief silence.) For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those in positions of public trust, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, and all who live and work in this community, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this congregation for those who are present here or online and for those who are absent, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our enemies and those who wish us harm, and for all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For ourselves; for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

To you, O Lord our God.

For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and forever. ***Amen.***

COMMUNION

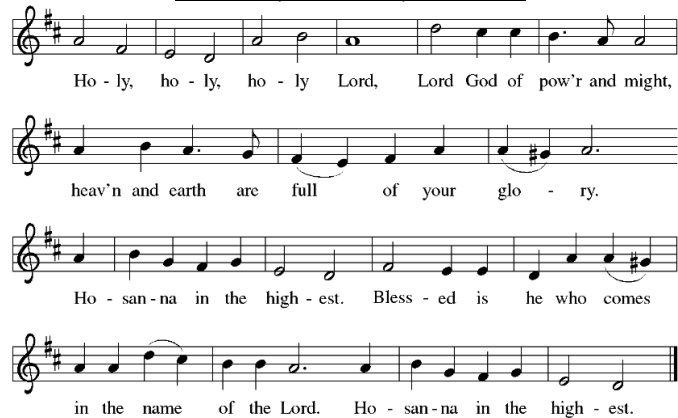
The Lord be with you. ***And also, with you.***

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 through Jesus Christ our Lord. For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



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, 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.***



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

PARENT MEETING AUG 23

Parents of all ages—join us August 23rd after worship in the sanctuary.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER TRAINING – AUG 30

Children and Youth Sunday School Teachers—join us for a Teacher Training after the potluck. RSVP to Pastor Stefanie: pastorstefanie@stpaulsokc.com

5th SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP

August 30 – after worship. Bring your favorite sandwiches, salad or sweets!

TRINKETS AND TREASURES

We will have many items for sale on *Sunday, August 30th* in the narthex and in the room Risa used as an office. There will be hundreds of books, t-shirts from various church activities through the years. Also for sale will be home decorations, school and office supplies and lots of miscellaneous trinkets. Please take what you can use and leave a generous FREE WILL DONATION which will go to the youth at SPLC. Enjoy the treasure hunt!

WHIZ KIDS IS STARTING AGAIN

We are recruiting Whiz Kids Tutors! We partner with Cherokee Hills Baptist Church located at 63rd & MacArthur, where tutoring is held on Wednesdays after school. Please consider volunteering for this worthwhile Christian Children's Reading Program. Training begins on September 9th at 3:00 p.m. Tutoring begins on September 16th. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. If you have questions, contact Vahla Todd at 405-922-8594.

HARVEST HILLS SUPPLIES NEEDED

As the new school year approaches, we will resume collecting supplies to help some of the families at Harvest Hills Elementary. They need certain supplies & toiletries. The counselor will hand out the items as needed. Supplies requested: toilet paper, cleaning supplies, laundry detergent, dish soap/detergent, paper towels/plates/napkins, toothbrush & toothpaste, hand/body soap, shampoo & conditioner and sanitary products. Questions: contact Patti Spain.

HOT DOG MINISTRY RESUMES – August 19th

The hot dog ministry will resume serving hot dog meals each Wednesday afternoon. Please visit the “Sign Up” page on the website if you are interested in serving.

UPCOMING DATES

AUGUST

8/16- 9:30- Worship – *Mission Trip Recap*
4pm – *Adult Choir Swim Party @ The Todd's*

8/19- 6:30 Choir Rehearsal Resumes

8/23- 9:30- Worship
Youth/Parent Meeting

8/26- 6:30 Choir Rehearsal

8/30- 9:30- Worship
5th Sunday Fellowship

8/31- 9am Canticle Ringers Resumes