



10th Sunday after Pentecost July 28, 2024

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:

Lay Reader: Paula Schopflin
Children's Message: Patricia Ayling
Altar Guild: Janet Miller
Communion Assistant: Janet Miller, Joyce Martin, Sara Hawk
Sound & Video: Tracy Caine
Ushers: Gene & Blake Behrens, Bill Bandi, Diane & Gary Dewing & Ron Maxfield
Acolyte & Crucifer: Bali Botkin & Henson Davis

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 our sins are forgiven. **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN: #597 ***My Hope is Built on Nothing Less*** vs 1, 3 & 4

My hope is built on nothing less that Jesus' blood and righteousness;
no merit of my own I claim, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand.

His oath, his covenant, his blood sustain me in the raging flood;
when all supports are washed away, he then is all my hope and stay.
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand.

When he shall come with trumpet sound, oh, may I then in him be found,
clothed in his righteousness alone, redeemed to stand before the throne!
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand.

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 - passionate 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,



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

Refrain

PRAYER OF THE DAY: Let us pray. Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **AMEN**

FIRST READING: 2 Kings 4:42-44

⁴²A man came from Baal-shalishah bringing food from the first fruits to the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." ⁴³But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the Lord: They shall eat and have some left." ⁴⁴He set it before them; they ate and had some left, according to the word of the Lord.

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

PSALM 145:10-18

¹⁰All your works shall praise you, O LORD,
and your faithful ones shall bless you.

¹¹They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your power,

¹²that all people may know of your power
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

¹³Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; your dominion endures throughout all ages.
You, LORD, are faithful in all your words, and loving in all your works.

¹⁴The Lord upholds all those who fall
and lifts up those who are bowed down.

¹⁵The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD,
and you give them their food in due season.

¹⁶You open wide your hand
and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

¹⁷You are righteous in all your ways
and loving in all your works.

¹⁸You are near to all who call upon you,
to all who call upon you faithfully.

SECOND READING: Hebrews 5:1-10

⁵Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. ²He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness, ³and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. ⁴And one does not presume to take this honor but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

⁵So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you"; ⁶as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek."

⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission.

⁸Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered, ⁹and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

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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 **John 6:1-21**

Glory to you, O Lord

⁶After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. ²A large crowd kept following him because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. ³Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. ⁴Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. ⁵When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" ⁶He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. ⁷Philip answered him, "Two hundred denarii would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." ⁸One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, ⁹"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?"

¹⁰Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place, so they sat down, about five thousand in all. ¹¹Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹²When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost."

¹³So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. ¹⁴When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."

¹⁵When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

¹⁶When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, ¹⁷got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. ¹⁸The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. ¹⁹When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. ²⁰But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." ²¹Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Patricia Ayling
SPECIAL MUSIC: Ron Wallace
MESSAGE: Sara Hawk, Restore OKC

HYMN: #685 ***Take My Life, That I May Be*** vs 1, 2, 5 & 6

Take my life, that I may be consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store;
take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

THE 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

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishop; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him. *Silence*

Members of the congregation may ask the prayers or the thanksgivings of those present

I ask your prayers for _____.

I ask your thanksgiving for _____.

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day. *Silence*

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

HOLY COMMUNION

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

Lift up your hearts. ***We lift them 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



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

...Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

...And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

(Please note, there are gluten free wafers available if you need them. The cups in the center of the trays are juice, and the outer rings are wine.)

BENEDICTION

May the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE

Ron Wallace

SENDING: Go in peace! Remember the poor! ***Thanks be to God!***

Please note there is no offertory during service, our offering plates are located at the back of the sanctuary, or you can give online using the following QR code:



ANNOUNCEMENTS

ROOF UPDATE

Progress is still being made on the roof! They are currently working above the narthex moving to the north. Bringing the roof up to code is making it a slower process and several things are being affected, including air conditioning and gas. We ask for patience and as always, please check in with the office before planning anything in the building.

AUGUST OUTREACH MISSION

We will be collecting school supplies in the month of August for Harvest Hills Elementary. Please bring pens, pencils, paper, Kleenex, hand sanitizer and anything you can think of that a teacher would love to have in their classroom. These items will be taken to Harvest Hills throughout the month of August. Thank you for your continued support of all the outreach programs at St. Paul's.

SWINGING REBELS BARN DANCE/LESSONS

As most of you know, there is a square-dancing club using the activity center twice a month. They have extended an invitation to St. Paul's members to join them for their "Old Fashioned Barn Dance" at 7 pm on August 9th. Tickets are available at the visitor's center in the narthex or in the office. In addition to the dance, they will be offering lessons beginning August 11. More information can be found on flyers posted around the church.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT VOLUNTEERS

Wednesday night meals will operate differently this year. If you are interested in helping with meals, please sign up at the visitor's center in the narthex or send your name to articles@stpaulsok.com. We will need help with prep/cooking, serving and clean up. Whether you can help once or multiple times, we will gladly use your help! We will have more details in the coming weeks!

BACKPACK BLESSINGS & POOL PARTY 8-11

Mark your calendars! We will be blessing backpacks and praying for our students and teachers as they prepare to go back to school. Our back-to-school pool party will also be 8/11. More details on that will be sent out in the coming weeks!

JULY ACTIVITIES

7/27-7/31- MS Mission Trip

7/28- Worship

AUGUST ACTIVITIES

8/4- Worship

8/9- Swinging Rebels Barn Dance

8/11- Worship (*Backpack blessings*)
Back 2 School Pool Party

8/18- Worship (*Mission Trip Recap*)

8/24-25- Confirmation retreat

8/25- Worship