

*The Ascension, Jesus Mafa.*

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# SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

CHURCH OF ST. PAUL & THE REDEEMER

MAY 21, 2023 | 10:00 AM

# You are welcome here.

## A Little About St. Paul & the Redeemer

### What kind of church is this?

St. Paul & the Redeemer (SPR) is a community that seeks to mirror the radical hospitality practiced by Jesus, holding together a progressive outlook and a rootedness in the Christian faith. We are woven of different races, economic statuses, cultural backgrounds, faith backgrounds, gender identities, and sexual orientations, and we are strengthened and enriched by each person's story and voice.

### Let's Get Connected

Welcome! If you are new, tell us about yourself and get connected to what's happening at St. Paul & the Redeemer.



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### KidZone (Nursery), Sundays 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Professionally staffed nursery care is available for children ages 0–4 in our KidZone, located down the southwest stairs. Changing tables are in the downstairs restrooms and the KidZone.

### Children's Chapel, Sundays during sermon

During the sermon at the 10:00 service, children from preschool to second grade are invited to a special liturgy in the children's chapel, featuring songs and a Bible story.

### Christian Formation, Sundays after church

We welcome all ages to join our formation (Christian education) gatherings, downstairs from 11:05 to 11:50 AM:

- Godly Play: Preschool to grade 2
  - Junior Youth Group: Grades 3 to 5
  - Youth Group: Grades 6 to 12
  - Adult Formation: Teens and adults
- High-school youth are welcome to attend either youth group or adult formation.*

### SPR's Anti-Racism Vision Statement

We strive to become a beloved community that reflects on our own racial identities and recognizes racism and privilege in our church and society; works for justice by building relationships and sustained efforts to heal, reconcile, and seek Christ in each other; and acts to interrupt and dismantle white supremacist structures, transforming ourselves and our church to become a living embodiment of justice and peace.

### Bulletin Rubrics

Throughout the bulletin, the congregation is invited to say all **bolded** text aloud. There are also times when it is customary to make the sign of the cross by touching your forehead, chest, left shoulder, and right shoulder. If you wish to do so, the + indicates that.

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### About the Cover Artwork

JESUS MAFA is a response to the New Testament readings from the Lectionary by a Christian community in Cameroon, Africa. Each of the readings was selected and adapted to dramatic interpretation by the community members. Photographs of their interpretations were made, and these were then transcribed to paintings.

# THE WORD OF GOD

## Prelude

Prologue on Ascension

Healey Willan (1880-1968).

## Entrance Hymn

All sing.

1 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the  
\*2 Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans are we  
3 Al - le - lu - ia! bread of Hea - ven, Thou on  
4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, thee the  
\*5 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the

1 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the  
2 left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is  
3 earth our food, our stay! Al - le - lu - ia! here the  
4 Lord of lords we own; Al - le - lu - ia! born of  
5 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the

1 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the  
2 near us, faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how; though the  
3 sin - ful flee to thee from day to day: In - ter -  
4 Ma - ry, earth thy foot - stool, heaven thy throne: thou with -  
5 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the

1 songs of peace - ful Zi - on thun - der like a  
2 cloud from sight re - ceived him, when the for - ty  
3 ces - sor, friend of sin - ners, earth's Re - deem - er,  
4 in the veil hast en - tered, robed in flesh, our  
5 songs of ho - ly Zi - on thun - der like a

1 might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery  
 2 days were o'er, shall our hearts for - get his  
 3 plead for me, where the songs of all the  
 4 great High Priest: thou on earth both Priest and  
 5 might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery

1 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.  
 2 prom - ise, "I am with you ev - er - more"?  
 3 sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.  
 4 Vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.  
 5 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.

The Hymnal 1982 #460 "Alleluia! sing to Jesus"  
 Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898).  
 Music: Hyfrydol, Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887).

## Welcome

+ Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

## Gloria

All sing.

*In 2* *f*  
 Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
 peace to his peo-ple on earth. — Lord God, hea - ven-ly King, al -  
 - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we  
*poco rit.*  
 give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

*a tempo*  
*mp* *poco cresc.*

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son \_\_\_ of the Fa - ther, Lord God,  
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin \_\_\_ of the world; have  
mer - cy on us; \_\_\_ you are seat - ed at the right  
hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our \_\_\_ prayer. For  
you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, \_\_\_  
you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,  
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Music: *Enriching our Music, Vol. 1* from *Music for the Holy Eucharist: Rite II*, Peter Crisafulli (b. 1946).

## The Collect of the Day

God be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

**O God, the King of glory,  
you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ  
with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven:  
Do not leave us comfortless,  
but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us,  
and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before;  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## The Lessons

### First Reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Acts 1:6-14

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

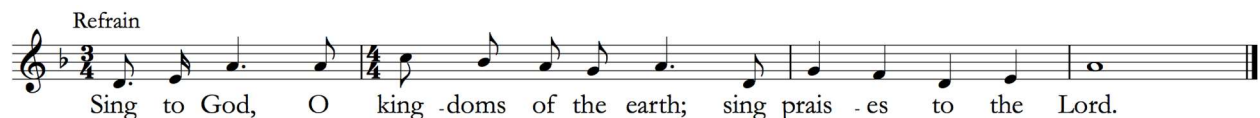
Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 68:1-10, 33-36** *Exsurgat Deus*

*Choir intones the refrain; congregation joins on repeat and all remaining refrains. Choir sings verses.*



Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered;  
let those who hate him flee before him.

Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it away;  
as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.

But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God;  
let them also be merry and joyful. **Refrain.**

Sing to God, sing praises to his Name; exalt him who rides upon the heavens;  
YAHWEH is his Name, rejoice before him!

Father of orphans, defender of widows,  
God in his holy habitation!

God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners into freedom;  
but the rebels shall live in dry places. **Refrain.**

O God, when you went forth before your people,  
when you marched through the wilderness,  
The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain, at the presence of God, the God of Sinai,  
at the presence of God, the God of Israel. **Refrain.**

You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance;  
you refreshed the land when it was weary.  
Your people found their home in it;  
in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor. **Refrain.**

He rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens;  
he sends forth his voice, his mighty voice.  
Ascribe power to God;  
his majesty is over Israel; his strength is in the skies.  
How wonderful is God in his holy places!  
the God of Israel giving strength and power to his people! Blessed be God! **Refrain.**

Psalm 68:1-10, 33-36, Book of Common Prayer.  
Music: Robert A. Hawthorne, *The Portland Psalter*.

## **Second Reading**

A reading from the first letter of Peter.

1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

*Please stand as able and sing.*

**Refrain**

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!  
Hal - le - lu - jah!

*to Verse; or last time FINE*

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah.

Words and Music: Traditional Caribbean, arr. by John. L. Bell (b. 1949).

## Gospel Reading

*At the + below, you are invited to trace a cross over your forehead, your mouth, and your heart.*

+ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*John 17:1-11*

### **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one."

The Gospel of the Lord.

### **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**



## **Children's Chapel**

*Children in preschool to second grade are invited to attend their own liturgy in the chapel, led by children's ministry staff Megan Cather and Lindsey Strieter. Participants under age 3 are encouraged to bring a parent. The children will return to the main service at the peace.*

## **Sermon**

*Today's Preacher: The Rev. Barnabas Pusnur, Associate Rector*

## **Nicene Creed**

*Please stand as able.*

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## **Prayers of the People**

As we celebrate the ascension of Jesus Christ, let us pray for the church and the world.

God who lifted your Son up to you with the promise of return, keep us from looking up toward Heaven and neglecting those in your world; empower us with your Holy Spirit to be witnesses to your word in all we say and do.

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

God from whom all authority comes, help those of us who exercise power over others and those of us who follow them to be patient but not complacent as we work toward a world that reflects your glory.

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

God who is often experienced as absent from this world, may our own ordeals and sufferings open our hearts to those who are most vulnerable in our world and goad us to respond lovingly.

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

God who protects, continue to accompany those who are sick and in distress, especially **Steve** Heyman, **Jack** Knapp (former parishioner), **Cheryl** Vanorsby, **Carol** Olmsted (sister of Bill Olmsted), **Penny** Piantedosi (sister of Valerie Tonsgard), **D. Maria** Neighbors, **Jake** Dombroski (friend of Ryan Bailey), and all those on our prayer list.

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

God who celebrates, lift those commemorating birthdays, especially **Peyton** Palmer (5/21), **Leon** Richardson (5/21), **Agnes** Daniel (5/22), **Curtis** Edmonds (5/25), **Maureen** Kelleher (5/25), **Jill** de Jong (5/26), and **Kari** Martin (5/27).

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

God who never forgets, may we be witnesses to those who have passed and abide in you. We remember **Stella** Raudenbush (mother of Catherine Raudenbush, 5/21/2015) and **Ann** Jackson (parishioner, 5/25).

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Ascension God, may your apparent absence guide us back to the abundance you have already given us in the life and ministry of your Son Jesus Christ.

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

We pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation. I invite you to offer your own prayers and thanksgivings, ending each with "Lord, in your mercy."

Prayers written by Joshua Daniel.

*Prayer List:* Jack Knapp (former parishioner), Carol Olmsted (sister of Bill Olmsted), Penny Piantedosi (sister of Valerie Tonsgard), Myra Garcia (friend of Robert and Sheila Bator), Pamela Anderson, D. Maria Neighbors, Rahsaan Clark Morris, Marian Elliott, Naomi Haynes, Ann Rigney (friend of Mary Naftzger), Mel Hodder (brother-in-law of Mary Naftzger), Dan Goering (brother of Barbra Goering), Barbara Brown (sister of Crystal Plummer), Jake Dombroski (friend of Ryan Bailey), Amelia Dammen (grandniece of Lisa Rademacher), Tim Brown (cousin of Maureen Jesuthasan), and William Jenkins (uncle of Twila Jones), as well as their caregivers.

## **Confession and Absolution**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**God of all mercy,  
we confess that we have sinned against you,  
opposing your will in our lives.  
We have denied your goodness in each other,  
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.  
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,  
the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf.  
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us  
through our Savior Jesus Christ,  
that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy on you, + forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

## **Peace**

The peace of Christ be always with you.

**And also with you.**

*You are invited to greet those around you with the words "Peace be with you," accompanied by a wave, peace sign, or handshake. Some announcements will be given; there's much more to find out in the front and back pages of this bulletin.*

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

## Offertory

*Sung by the Choristers & Choir.*

O clap your hands, all you peoples: sing unto God loud songs of joy.  
God has gone up with a shout and the Lord with the sound of the trumpet.  
Sing praise to our God! Sing praise to our King;  
the King of the earth, the King of all nations.

Words: Psalm 47:1,5-8; adapt. Peter R. Hallock (1924-2014), rev. Jason Anderson.

Music: "O clap your hands," Peter Hallock.

## The Great Thanksgiving

*All stand as the offering is brought to the altar.*

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 our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*The Presider adds a proper preface.*

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*All sing.*

Ho - ly, ho - ly,  
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry; Ho - san - na in the

high - est. Blessed is the  
one  
one who comes in the name of the  
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: *Enriching our Music, Vol. 1* from *Music for the Holy Eucharist: Rite II*, Peter Crisafulli (b. 1946).

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

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 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,

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

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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 for ever. **AMEN.**

Book of Common Prayer, 1979. Eucharistic Prayer B.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

## The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.  
**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*All sing.*

Lamb of God, you take a-way the  
sins of the world: \_\_\_\_ have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
*slower*  
take a-way the sins of the world: \_\_\_\_ grant us peace.

Music: *Enriching our Music, Vol. 1* from *Music for the Holy Eucharist: Rite II*, Peter Crisafulli (b. 1946).

The gifts of God for the people of God.

*All, without exception, are invited to receive communion. If you would like to receive communion at your seat, please let the ushers know. If you want gluten-free bread, tell the communion minister. If you would like a blessing in place of communion, cross your arms over your chest.*

# Communion Music

All sing.

*Unison or harmony*

1 Thou, who at thy first Eu - cha - rist didst pray  
 2 For all thy Church, O Lord, we in - ter - cede;  
 3 So, Lord, at length when sac - ra - ments shall cease,

that all thy Church might be for ev - er one,  
 make thou our sad di - vi - sions soon to cease;  
 may we be one with all thy Church a - bove,

grant us at ev - ery Eu - cha - rist to say  
 draw us the near - er each to each, we plead,  
 one with thy saints in one un - bro - ken peace,

with long - ing heart and soul, "Thy will be done."  
 by draw - ing all to thee, O Prince of Peace;  
 one with thy saints in one un - bound - ed love;

O may we all one bread, one bo - dy be,  
 thus may we all one bread, one bo - dy be,  
 more bless - ed still, in peace and love to be

through this blest sac - ra - ment of u - ni - ty.  
 through this blest sac - ra - ment of u - ni - ty.  
 one with the Trin - i - ty in U - ni - ty.

*The Hymnal 1982 #315 "Thou, who at thy first Eucharist did pray"*  
 Words: William Harry Turton (1865-1938).  
 Music: *Song I*, melody and bass Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625);  
 harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), alt.

All sing.

1. God sent His Son, they called Him Je - sus; He came to love,  
2. How sweet to hold a new-born ba - by, And feel the pride,  
3. And then one day I'll cross the riv - er; I'll fight life's fi -

1. — heal, and for - give; He lived and died to buy my  
2. — and joy he gives; But great - er still the calm as -  
3. — nal war with pain; And then as death gives way to

1. par-don, An emp - ty grave is there to prove my Sav - ior lives.  
2. sur-ance, This child can face un-cer-tain days be-cause He lives.  
3. vic-t'ry, I'll see the lights of glo-ry and I'll know He lives.

Be-cause He lives I can face to - mor-row; Be-cause He lives

— all fear is gone; Be - cause I know He holds the

fu - ture, And life is worth the liv - ing just be-cause He lives.

LEVAS II #43 "Because He lives"  
Words and Music: Gloria Gaither (b. 1942)  
and William Gaither (b. 1936).



*All sing.*



Oh God, we praise your ho - ly name, as one in Christ we stand.



You've made us sis - ters through your son with kin in ev - ery land.



A - noint us now with your own grace that we might read - y be



to touch the world with gen - tle - ness as through Christ's eyes we see.



Oh, God, in joy we lift our song, your words we will pro - claim,



un - til the love we share to - day through-out the world shall reign.

*Voices Found #120 "O God, we praise your holy name"*

Words and Music: Kay G. Snodgrass and Bobbilyn George Mitchell, arr. Carl Haywood.

## **Sending Forth**

*Please stand as able.*

Let us pray.

**God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;  
you have united us with Christ and one another;  
and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.  
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,  
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world  
and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

*The Presider blesses the people.*

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us her children through the resurrection of Jesus Christ our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of her blessing. And the blessing of God, + who watches over us, walks beside us, and dwells within us, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

All sing.

1. Christ has a - ris - en, Al - le - lu - ia. Re - joice and praise Him, Al - le - lu - ia.  
2. For three long days the grave did its worst Un - til its strength by God was dis - persed.  
3. The an - gel said to them, "Do not fear! You look for Je - sus who is not here.  
4. "Go spread the news: He's not in the grave; He has a - ris - en this world to save.  
5. Christ has a - ris - en; He sets us free; Al - le - lu - ia, to Him prai - ses be.

1. For our Re - deem - er burst from the tomb, E - ven from death dis - pel - ling its gloom.  
2. He who gives life did death un - der - go; And in its con - quest His might did show.  
3. See for your - selves the tomb is all bare; On - ly the grave - clothes are ly - ing there."  
4. Je - sus' re - deem - ing la - bors are done; E - ven the bat - tle with sin is won."  
5. Je - sus is liv - ing! Let us all sing; He reigns tri - um - phant, heav - en - ly King.

Refrain

Let us sing praise to Him with end-less joy. Death's fear-ful sting He has come to de - stroy,

Our sin for - giv - ing, Al - le - lu - ia. Je - sus is liv - ing, Al - le - lu - ia.

*My Heart Sings Out #100 "Christ has arisen, Alleluia"*

Words: Swahili, tr. Howard Olson.

Music: *Tumshandilie Mungu*, Haya Tune, Makumira, Tanzania; harm. Carl Haywood (b. 1949).

## Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord! Alleluia, Alleluia!

Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia!

## Postlude

Gott fährt auf gen Himmel (*God goes up to heaven*)

Christlieb Siegmund Binder (1723-1789).



# Coming Up at SPR

## Save the Date: Anti-Racism Training

From **June 8-10 (Thursday through Saturday, 9:00-5:00 PM)**, Crossroads Antiracism/Chicago ROAR will host a three-day anti-racism training at SPR (recommended for vestry members and ministry leaders; encouraged for all). Details coming soon!

## Picnic Sunday

Join us for **Picnic Sunday, June 4**, as we honor our graduates and celebrate the arrival of summer! There will be a cookout after church with games for kids and delicious food for all.

## Pentecost Day Lectors

Do you speak a language other than English? We are looking for volunteers to be lectors on Pentecost Day (Sunday, May 28) to read portions of the liturgy in different languages. If you are interested in participating, please let Barnabas Pusnur (pusnur@sprchicago.org) know by Sunday, May 21. We would love to have you join this special celebration.

## Supporting Newly Arrived Migrants

Help us support our newly arrived neighbors:

- **Cook.** If you can prepare a simple hot meal at home for 25 people staying at the 2<sup>nd</sup> District police station (5101 S. Wentworth), contact Jason Evans (jasoncoryevans@gmail.com). To join a team of chefs cooking a hot meal at church on Sunday, May 28, contact Fran Spaltro (pambasilea@gmail.com).
- **Donate.** Bring the following items to the parish hall on May 21, May 28, or June 4:
  - Blankets (new or gently used)
  - Small luggage: Duffel bags, small suitcases or large backpacks (new or gently used)
  - Men's shoes, sizes 8-9 (new or gently used)
  - Men's socks and underwear, size medium (new in package only, please)
- **Deliver.** If you can deliver donations to 5101 S. Wentworth or another local police station, contact Jason Evans (jasoncoryevans@gmail.com).

## Celebrating the Class of 2023

We celebrate all those from SPR who are graduating with the class of 2023! If you (or your child) would like to be included among our honored graduates, please send the graduate's name, school, and degree (where applicable) to Catherine Healy (healy@sprchicago.org) by **Sunday, May 28** for recognition at worship on June 4.

## Bluegrass Mass

Join us **Sunday, June 11**, when our worship includes music from Carol Barnett's "The World Beloved: A Bluegrass Mass," featuring the Choristers, Choir, and a string band. The work brings the solemnity of the classical choir-based mass together with the down-home sparkle of bluegrass. A joyful way to close out the program year.

## End-of-Year Celebration for Children & Youth

After the Bluegrass Mass on **Sunday, June 11**, we will have an end-of-year celebration for all children and youth (treats and bouncy house included!). For details or to help out, contact Lindsey Strieter (lstriete@gmail.com).

## About This Week's Music

The **prelude** by Canadian composer-organist Healey Willan was first published in 1956 as part of a six-volume series, "Festal Voluntaries". In it, Willan showcases W. H. Monk's tune *Ascension* ("Hail the day that sees Him rise"). The **offertory anthem**, *O clap your hands*, is one of a handful of original compositions by Peter Hallock contained in the Episcopal Church's transitional *Songs for Liturgy*, published for the Joint Commission on Church Music and was the first piece in that publication. The compilation sought to introduce new service music, canticles, hymns, songs, and spiritual songs that utilized different and interesting sounds. This week's **postlude** by German Baroque composer Christlieb Siegmund Binder, a contemporary of J.S. Bach and his sons, sets the Ascension Day text by Gottfried Wilhelm Sacer (b. 1635), which reads in part, "Our place He is preparing; / to heav'n we, too, shall rise, / With Him His glory sharing, / be where our Treasure lies."

## Serving Today

May 21, 2023 | 10:00 AM

Presider: The Rev. Catherine Healy

Preacher: The Rev. Barnabas Pusnur

Deacon: The Rev. Jack Seymour

Music Leader: Mark Bilyeu

Children's Chapel Leaders: Lindsey Streiter,  
Megan Cather

Lectors: Anna Mary Wallace, Kari Martin

Prayer Writer: Joshua Daniel

Prayer Reader: Mike Agina

Acolyte: Andrew Rostan

Chalice Ministers: Esther Foiles, Kelsey Shaw,  
John Omoworare, John Adewoye

Vestry Greeter: Celia Paris

Usher: Mike Agina, Chinyere Agina

Communion Bread Baker: Jason Cather

## Staff

The Rev. Catherine E. Healy, *Rector*

The Rev. Barnabas E. Pusnur, *Associate Rector*

The Rev. Jack Seymour, *Deacon*

Mark Bilyeu, *Director of Music*

Megan Cather, *Children's Music Assistant*

Lindsey Strieter, *Director of Children's Formation*

The Rev. Roger Ferlo, *Priest Associate*

Lukasz Jedrzejewski, *Sexton*

Savannah Hegyi, Dennis Kalup,

Ian Murrell, & Ariana Strahl, *Staff Singers*

Sabrina Foster, Ashley Lanfair, & Patricia Lanfair,  
*Nursery Teachers*

## Vestry

Twila Jones, *Warden*

Baiju Markose, *Clerk*

Nicholas Bellomy

Jason Evans

Anne Harlan

Rebecca Luttrell

Celia Paris

Frances Spaltro, *Warden*

Tayo Adegoke, *Treasurer*

Joshua Daniel

Jonathan Foiles

Vicky Legge

Andrew Rostan

## Partners in Ministry

### American Red Cross of Greater Chicago

We partner with the Red Cross to provide emergency shelter for those displaced by disasters.

### Community Renewal Society

We are a member congregation of CRS, which organizes faith communities for social change.

### Crossroads/Chicago ROAR

Chicago ROAR supports our anti-racism commitments through facilitation and training.

### Episcopal Diocese of Chicago

We are proud to belong to the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago, led by our bishop, the Rt. Rev. Paula Clark.

### Murray Fellows

Through this program, we mentor and encourage the next generation of LGBTQ+ Christian leaders.

### Open Kitchen

SPR members gather monthly to cook meals for Kenwood UCC's Feed the People Soup Kitchen.

### St. Patrick's Church & School, Haiti

Our collaboration with St. Patrick's in Tom Gateau, Haiti, includes school lunch and music programs, teacher salaries, and capital projects.

### St. Paul & the Redeemer Food Pantry

Our food pantry is open to the community every Wednesday from 3:30 to 5:30 PM.

### Shoemith Elementary School

We support our neighborhood school through tutoring, arts programs, and gardening.

### Syrian Community Network

Each year, SPR sponsors a newly resettled refugee family from Syria through visits, tutoring and more.



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