

*In my Father's house there are many rooms, Karen Mitchell-Lambert  
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# FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

## CHURCH OF ST. PAUL & THE REDEEMER

MAY 7, 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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## Children & Youth at SPR

### 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.

### Children's & Youth 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.

### Giving to SPR

Every dollar you give to SPR supports our ministry to and with our community.

You may place cash or a check in the offering plate, give online at [sprchicago.org/give-online](http://sprchicago.org/give-online) or scan this code. If you are visiting, please do not feel obligated to give—it is our honor to have you as our guest!



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# THE WORD OF GOD

## Prelude

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Harald Rohlig (1926-2014).

## Entrance Hymn

*All sing.*

1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ the head and  
2 All that ded - i - cat - ed ci - ty, dear - ly loved of  
3 To this tem - ple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of  
4 Here vouch - safe to all thy serv - ants what they ask of

cor - ner - stone, cho - sen of the Lord, and pre - cious,  
God on high, in ex - ult - ant ju - bi - la - tion  
Hosts, to - day; with thy wont - ed lov - ing - kind - ness  
thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ev - er

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thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ev - er

bind - ing all the Church in one; ho - ly Zi - on's  
pours per - pet - ual mel - o - dy; God the One in  
hear thy serv - ants as they pray, and thy full - est  
with the bless - ed to re - tain, and here - af - ter

help for ev - er, and her con - fi - dence a - lone.  
 Three a - dor - ing in glad hymns e - ter - nal - ly.  
 ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in its walls al - way.  
 in thy glo - ry ev - er - more with thee to reign.

*The Hymnal 1982 #518 "Christ is made the sure foundation"*

Words: Latin, ca. 7<sup>th</sup> cent.; tr. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861, after John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.

Music: *Westminster Abbey*, Henry Purcell (1659-1695), adapt.; desc. James Gillespie (b. 1929).

## Welcome

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

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

## The Collect of the Day

God be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

**Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life:**

**Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life,**

**that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life;**

**through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,**

**who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,**

**one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## 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 Lessons

### First Reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

*Acts 7:55-60*

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16** *In te, Domine, speravi*

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



In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame;  
deliver me in your righteousness.

Incline your ear to me;  
make haste to deliver me. **Refrain.**

Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,  
for you are my crag and my stronghold;  
for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.

Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me,  
for you are my tower of strength. **Refrain.**

Into your hands I commend my spirit,  
for you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.

My times are in your hand;  
rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.

Make your face to shine upon your servant,  
and in your loving-kindness save me. **Refrain.**

Glory to the Father and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginning is now,  
and will be forever, Amen.

Words: Psalm 31: 1-5; 15-16. Book of Common Prayer.

Music: Plainchant, Tone VII.3.

## **Second Reading**

A reading from the first letter of Peter.

1 Peter 2:2-10

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation—if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

"See, I am laying in Zion a stone,  
a cornerstone chosen and precious;  
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

“The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the very head of the corner,”

and

“A stone that makes them stumble,  
and a rock that makes them fall.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Once you were not a people,  
but now you are God’s people;  
once you had not received mercy,  
but now you have received mercy.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Gospel Acclamation

*Please stand as able and sing.*

Traditional Caribbean,  
arr. by John L. Bell (b. 1949)

After the verse, sing only once,  
going to **Fine**.

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

*[1st time repeat, 2nd to Verse]* **Fine**

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu, Hal - le - lu - jah! jah!  
Hal - le - lu - jah! 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 14:1-14*

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

Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

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. Catherine Healy, 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

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Gracious God, in your house there are many dwelling places. We thank you for the global witness of Creation, for multiplicity in tongues and cultures, diversity of biospheres and ecosystems. Teach us to live in harmony with our neighbors and the land, tying our fates with bonds of compassion.

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Holy Spirit, we pray for all who are affected by violence and deprivation. Grant us the courage to stand against the chaos of the crowd when human dignity is under threat. Shape your faithful into living stones who can resist the seduction of empire and provide rest in your loving embrace.

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Risen One, hasten to us this Easter season amidst the losses and triumphs in our daily lives. May our common bonds be strengthened by the presence of beloved elders, children, friends, pets, and all whose goodness gladdens our hearts.

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

We hold in prayer all those who have fallen ill in body, mind, or spirit, including **Myra** Garcia (friend of Bob & Sheila Bator), **Dan** Goering (brother of Barbra Goering), **Barbara** Brown (sister of Crystal Plummer), **William** Jenkins (uncle of Twila Jones), and all those on our prayer list.

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Lord Christ, whether we live or we die, we belong to you. Grant to our beloved dead rest and renewal in the hope of your resurrection. We pray especially for **Geraldine** Guerrero (grandmother of Cecilia Mowatt, 5/11).

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

We give you thanks, God, for every good thing in our lives, and celebrate especially the birthdays of **Brenda** Kilpatrick (5/8), **Michael** Stewart (5/8), **Pat** Swanson (5/8), **Rush** Brown (5/9), **Allison** Bartlett (5/11), and **Eva** Nielsen (5/12), as they begin another year.

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."

God of the Morning and the Evening, walk with us through all the seasons of our lives, nourishing us with the pure milk of your salvation. We ask this through Christ our Cornerstone. **Amen.**

Prayers written by Kenji Kuramitsu.

*Prayer List:* 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 Choir.*

Wie lieblich sind deine Wohnungen, Herr Zebaoth!  
Meine Seele verlanget und sehnet sich  
nach den Vorhöfen des Herrn;  
mein Leib und Seele freuen sich  
in dem lebendigen Gott.

*How lovely are thy dwelling places, O Lord of Hosts!  
My soul requires and yearns for  
the courts of the Lord;  
My body and soul rejoice  
in the living God.*

Wie lieblich sind deine Wohnungen, Herr Zebaoth!  
Wohl denen, die in deinem Hause wohnen,  
die loben dich immerdar.  
Wie lieblich sind deine Wohnungen!

*How lovely are thy dwelling places, O Lord of Hosts!  
Blessed are they that dwell in thy house;  
they praise you forever.  
How lovely are thy dwelling places!*

Words: Psalm 84:1,2,4

Music: "Wie lieblich sind deine Wohnungen" from *Ein deutsches Requiem*, Op. 45. Johannes Brahms (1833 - 1897).

## **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 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  
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

*Sung by the staff singers.*

He is the Way.

Follow Him through the Land of Unlikeness;

You will see rare beasts, and have unique adventures.

He is the Truth.

Seek Him in the Kingdom of Anxiety;

You will come to a great city that has expected your return for years.

He is the Life.

Love Him in the World of the Flesh;

And at your marriage all its occasions shall dance for joy.

*The Hymnal 1982 #463 "He is the Way"*

Words: W.H. Auden (1907-1973).

Music: Hall, David Hurd (b. 1950).

All sing.



1. Here, O Lord, your ser - vants gath - er, hand we link with hand; Look - ing toward our  
2. Man - y are the tongues we speak, scat - tered are the lands, yet our hearts are  
3. Na - ture's se - crets o - pen wide, chang - es nev - er cease. Where, oh where, can  
4. Grant, O God, an age re - newed, filled with death - less love; help us as we



Sav - ior's cross, joined in love we stand. As we seek the realm of God,  
one in God, one in love's de - mands. E'en in dark - ness hope ap - pears,  
wea - ry souls find the source of peace? Un - to all those sore dis - tressed,  
work and pray, send us from a - bove truth and cour - age, faith and power,



we u - nite to pray: Je - sus, Sav - ior, guide our steps, for you are the Way.  
call - ing age and youth: Je - sus, teach - er, dwell with us, for you are the Truth.  
tom by end - less strife: Je - sus, heal - er, bring your balm, for you are the Life.  
need - ed in our strife: Je - sus, Mas - ter, be our Way, be our Truth, our Life.

*Wonder, Love, & Praise* #793 "Here, O Lord, your servants gather"

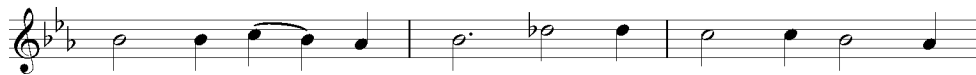
Words: Tokuo Yamaguchi (b. 20<sup>th</sup> c.); trans. Everett M. Stowe (b. 20<sup>th</sup> c.).

Music: Isao Koizumi (b. 1907).

All sing.



1 Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: such a  
2 Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: such a  
3 Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: such a



way as gives us breath; such a truth as ends all  
light as shows a feast; such a feast as mends in  
joy as none can move; such a love as none can



strife; such a life as kill - eth death.  
length; such a strength as makes his guest.  
part; such a heart as joys in love.

*The Hymnal 1982* #487 "Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life"

Words: George Herbert (1593-1633).

Music: *The Call*, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958).



## 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.*

O Love of God, how strong and true, e - ter - nal  
O wide - em - brac - ing, won - drous Love, we read thee  
We read thee best in him who came to bear for  
We read thy power to bless and save e'en in the  
and yet ev - er new; un - com - pre - hend - ed and un -  
in the sky a - bove; we read thee in the earth be -  
us the cross of shame, sent by the Fa - ther from on  
dark - ness of the grave; still more in re - sur - rec - tion  
bought, be - yond all know - ledge and all thought.  
low, in seas that swell and streams that flow.  
high, our life to live, our death to die.  
light we read the full - ness of thy might.

*The Hymnal 1982 #455 "O Love of God, how strong and true"*

Words: Horatius Bonar (1808-1889). Music: *Dunedin*, Vernon Griffiths (b. 1894).

## Dismissal

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

**Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia!**

## Postlude

Postlude

Harald Rohlig.



## Coming Up at SPR

### **Resurrection Hope Follow-Up Discussion**

Everyone who participated in Lenten small groups to read *Resurrection Hope: A Future Where Black Lives Matter* is invited to a follow-up discussion with members from other small groups. Join us **Tuesday, May 16 at 7:30 PM on Zoom**. For details, contact Sara Bigger: sarafaganbigger@gmail.com.

### **Open Kitchen Returns!**

After a long hiatus due to COVID-19, SPR's Open Kitchen crew is back in action, gathering once a month to cook up a hearty stew for the meal program housed at Kenwood United Church of Christ. Join us in the church kitchen on **Sunday, May 14, at 12:00 PM**. No skills are necessary; there will be step-by-step guidance! Youth accompanied by their adults are welcome. If you can shop, cook, or help with delivery, contact Fran Spaltro (pambasilea@gmail.com).

### **Accessible Parking in SPR Lot**

The accessible spaces in our parking lot (designated with a wheelchair symbol) are reserved for vehicles displaying disability parking placards. The striped areas beside these spaces must remain clear for wheelchair ramp access. If you are a non-disabled driver, please help us practice hospitality by leaving these spaces open for church members who need them.

### **SPR 101: Newcomer Classes Open to All**

Are you new to SPR? New to the Episcopal Church? There's still time to join SPR 101, our six-week newcomer class! Choose one of two sections: **Sundays from 12:00-1:30 PM** (April 30 through June 4) and **Wednesdays from 7:30-9:00 PM** (May 3 through June 7). For details, contact the Rev. Catherine Healy: healy@sprchicago.org.

### **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!

### **Save the Date: Fall Women's Retreat**

Save the date for the 2023 SPR women's retreat from **October 7-8** at the Loyola University Retreat & Ecology Center in Woodstock, Illinois. Details coming soon!

### **About This Week's Music**

Today's prelude, postlude, and choral anthem all come from Germany. The **prelude** and **postlude** come from a series of publications initiated by the Music Department of Concordia Teacher's College (River Forest, IL) in the late 1970s, entitled "Music for a Sunday Morning." Through this series they sought to address a perceived deficiency of non-hymnic, freely composed works for the organ. They commissioned the German composer and organist Harald Rohlig for their sixth volume in this series. After his studies in Bremen, Germany and England, he settled in Montgomery, Alabama, where he served as Director of Music at St. John's Episcopal Church. The **offertory anthem** comes from Brahms' *Ein Deutsches Requiem (A German Requiem)*, which premiered in Bremen in 1868. Brahms assembled the texts himself, choosing not to follow the order of a standard Latin requiem. He drew primarily from the *Luther Bible*, seeking to give hope to the living, rather than focusing on the dead. The title describes the sung language of the work, rather than whom it was written for; Brahms is said to have contemplated an alternate title to avoid this confusion: *Ein menschliches Requiem (A Human Requiem)*.

 **Notes**

## Serving Today

April 23, 2023 | 10:00 AM

Presider: The Rev. Barnabas Pusnur

Preacher: The Rev. Catherine Healy

Deacon: The Rev. Jack Seymour

Music Leader: Mark Bilyeu

Lectors: Sem Sutter, Maureen Jesuthasan

Prayer Writer: Kenji Kuramitsu

Prayer Reader: Mel Parks

Acolyte: Matthew Erlec

Chalice Ministers: Becky Kruse, Jonathan Foiles, Fran

Spaltro, Maureen Jesuthasan

Ushers: Joe Dunn, Connie Bonbrest

Vestry Greeter: Jason Evans

Communion Bread Baker: Jason Cather

## Staff

The Rev. Catherine E. Healy, *Rector*

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

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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

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Tayo Adegoke, *Treasurer*

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## 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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