

ORDER FOR THE CELEBRATION & WORSHIP OF GOD

3rd Sunday of Easter; April 18, 2021, 10:30 A.M.

The sounding of the bells is the call for meditation and prayer as we prepare to worship our holy God.

Nursery is provided for children aged three and under. The Cry Room located off the foyer is available, if needed for nursing mothers and moms with young children, at any time during worship. A simultaneous broadcast of the service is provided in the room. Children aged four through first grade will be dismissed following the Gloria Patri.

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WELCOME

Please silence your phones and other electronic devices.

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

VOCAL INTROIT

"JESUS IS AMONG US"

Text by William Pennefather
Alt. Text. by Ronald Owen; Music by Ronald Owen

*Jesus is among us in his glorious risen pow'r.
May this time of worship be a sacred, hallowed hour.
Blessed Holy Spirit, breathe your peace in every heart.
May troubles, fears, and sorrows from each soul here now depart.*

CALL TO WORSHIP

FROM EXODUS 15

Minister: Sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea.

People: *The LORD is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation; this is my God, and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him.*

Minister: The LORD is a man of war; the LORD is his name.

People: *The LORD will reign forever and ever.*

*HYMN OF PROCLAMATION #455

“AND CAN IT BE THAT I SHOULD GAIN”



SAGINA

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Minister and People: *Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

The congregation is invited to kneel through the Pronouncement of Forgiveness.

Minister and People: *O God of mercy and justice, in your holy presence we confess our sin. You have shown us what is good and what you require of us. But we have not done justice, loved mercy or walked humbly with You, our God. We have not loved You as we ought, nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us for our sin and restore us to paths of righteousness for Christ's name's sake we pray. Amen.*

Please take a moment to silently confess your sin.

PRONOUNCEMENT OF FORGIVENESS

Minister: Hear this good news! God has delivered us who repent and believe the gospel from the dominion of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son. In Christ we have redemption, the forgiveness of our sins!

Unison: *Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!*

PUBLIC RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

RANDALL DEBOER

JUSTIN KELLER

KRISTA PEIRCE

TRACI DEBOER

MICHELLE KELLER

RONNIE PEIRCE

EMMA DEBOER

ABIGAIL KELLER

SCOTT PEIRCE

ERIN DEBOER

ISAIAH MOON

MICKEY POOLE

JACOB DEBOER

NICK O'JOHN

CALEB STROVEN

MATTHEW DUDRECK

KATHRYN O'JOHN

ZACHARY STROVEN

JAMIE DUDRECK

NELITZA OQUENDO

ANGELA TWEEDDALE

EZIES EBRAHIM

SHARON OSINSKI

PRAYER

*HYMN OF CONSECRATION #358

“FOR ALL THE SAINTS”
SINE NOMINE

RENEWING OUR FAITH

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM
Questions: 10, 13, 17, & 20

Minister: How did God create man?

People: *God created man male and female, after his own image, in knowledge, righteousness, and holiness, with dominion over the creatures.*

Minister: Did our first parents continue in the estate wherein they were created?

People: *Our first parents, being left to the freedom of their own will, fell from the estate wherein they were created, by sinning against God.*

Minister: Into what estate did the fall bring mankind?

People: *The fall brought mankind into an estate of sin and misery.*

Minister: Did God leave all mankind to perish in the estate of sin and misery?

People: *God, having out of his mere good pleasure, from all eternity, elected some to everlasting life, did enter into a covenant of grace, to deliver them out of the state of sin and misery, and to bring them into an estate of salvation by a Redeemer.*

Unison: *Thanks be to God!*

*GLORIA PATRI #735

GREATOREX

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, amen.

We welcome children for the entire worship service. However, a specifically designed time is provided in the New Testament Hall for children aged four through the first grade. Please meet the Children's Church leaders at the Fellowship Hall entrance of the Sanctuary at this time.

*OLD TESTAMENT LESSON *Pew Bible, page 159*

DEUTERONOMY 15:12-18

Minister: The Word of the Lord!

People: *Thanks be to God!*

*PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

He Is Your Life:
"REMEMBER THAT YOU WERE A SLAVE"

Big Idea: As a society of former slaves who have been freed from bondage but still remember the cruel power of our old master, the church must generously care for and seek to set at liberty those who are oppressed (Luke 4:18; Acts 26:18).

1. The law of release (15:12-14, 18)

2. The command to remember (15:15)

3. The blessing of belonging (15:16-17)

RESPONDING IN THANKS

*HYMN OF RESPONSE #460

“AMAZING GRACE!”

AMAZING GRACE

GIVING TO GOD & VOCAL OFFERTORY

“I WANT JESUS TO WALK WITH ME”

Traditional Spiritual; Arr. by Bruce Trinkley

*I want Jesus to walk with me;
All along my pilgrim journey,
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.
In my trials, Lord, walk with me;
When my heart is almost breaking,*

*Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.
When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me;
When my head is bowed in sorrow,
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me..*

*DOXOLOGY

Vikki Cook

Praise God from whom all bles - sings flow praise him, all crea - tures here be -
low; praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host: praise Fa - ther,
Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. All glo - ry be to God a -
bove, who gave his Son in ho - ly love, who sends his
Com - for - ter to be his seal for all e - ter - ni -
ty, his seal for all e - ter - ni - ty.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*BENEDICTION

*SENDING FORTH HYMN #261

“WHAT WONDROUS LOVE IS THIS”

WONDROUS LOVE

Minister: Go in peace to love and serve the risen Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Thanks be to God!

INSTRUMENTAL POSTLUDE

“FOR ALL THE SAINTS”

SINE NOMINE

Please take a moment to greet those around you.

In our worship service this morning, Rev. Justin Borger will be ministering in the pulpit and Rev. Dan Thompson will be assisting. Leading us in musical praise is organist, Gail Mininger; Sarah Birx, pianist; Brian Beute, trumpeter; McKinley Beute, Jim Crandall, and Larry Pike, trombonists; Devon Costanza and Matthew Malhiot, percussionists; all under the direction of our Director of Music, Ronald Owen. Leading congregational singing are Peter Benyola, Chris Hurt, and David Romaine. Our Men's Ensemble will be singing the Vocal Introit and the Vocal Offertory.

Welcome Visitors!

If you are visiting St. Paul's today, we are so glad you have joined us for worship! We would love to get to know you. Email staff@stpaulpca.org to let us know your name, how you heard about St. Paul's, any contact information you would like to give, and any questions you may have. Please feel free to introduce yourself to our pastors or one of our ushers.

* Congregation standing

✦ Additional worshipers seated

HYMN #455

AND CAN IT BE THAT I SHOULD GAIN

And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Savior's blood!
Died he for me? who caused his pain! For me? who him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
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'Tis mystery all: th' Immortal dies! Who can explore his strange design?
In vain the firstborn seraph tries to sound the depths of love divine.
'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore; let angel minds inquire no more.
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He left his Father's throne above (so free, so infinite his grace!),
Emptied himself of all but love, and bled for Adam's helpless race.
'Tis mercy all, immense and free, for O my God, it found out me!
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Long my imprisoned spirit lay, fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray; I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
My chains fell off, my heart was free, I rose, went forth, and followed thee.
My chains fell off, my heart was free, I rose, went forth, and followed thee.

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in him, is mine;
Alive in him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach th' eternal throne, and claim the crown, through Christ my own.
Bold I approach th' eternal throne, and claim the crown, through Christ my own.

Charles Wesley, 1738
SAGINA

HYMN #358

FOR ALL THE SAINTS

For all the saints who from their labors rest,
Who thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
And win with them the victor's crown of gold.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

The golden evening brightens in the west;
Soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest;
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;
The saints triumphant rise in bright array;
The King of glory passes on his way.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia! Alleluia!

William Walsham How, 1864, 1875
SINE NOMINE

HYMN #460

AMAZING GRACE!

Amazing grace—how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear,
The hour I first believed!

Thro' many dangers, toils and snares,
I have already come;
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me,
His Word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be,
As long as life endures.

And when this flesh and heart shall fail,
And mortal life shall cease,
I shall possess within the veil,
A life of joy and peace.

When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise,
Than when we've first begun.

HYMN #261

WHAT WONDROUS LOVE IS THIS

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing,

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing;

To God and to the Lamb, who is the great I Am,

While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,

While millions join the theme, I will sing!

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on,

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,

And through eternity, I'll sing on, I'll sing on,

And through eternity I'll sing on!

American folk hymn
WONDROUS LOVE

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