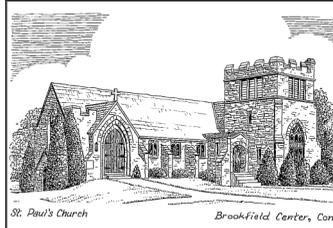


Saint Paul's Church

(Episcopal|Anglican)

Brookfield, Connecticut

*Trinity Sunday
Healing Sunday
May 27, 2018*



"Celebrating 233 years in the Spirit"

*Preacher & Celebrant
The Reverend Joseph Shepley
Rector*

8:00 A.M. Worship Service

*When you enter church, talk to God. When you worship, let God talk to you. After church, talk to each other.
Please be mindful of others' need for silence before the service.*

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We extend a warm welcome to everyone who has joined us for worship this morning. We pray you experience the presence and love of Christ as we worship together! We invite you to join us after the service for coffee and fellowship in the Parish Hall. Please join us!

Opening Hymn

"Be Thou My Vision"

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart
Nought be all else to me save that thou art
Thou my best thought, by day or by night
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord
Thou my great Father and I thy true son;
Thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one

Riches I heed not, not man's empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always;
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art

High King of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's
Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O ruler of all.

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant:

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you 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 Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Gloria

Celebrant and people:

Glory to God in the Highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,

You take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us;

You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

Collect of the Day (Celebrant and People)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray together.

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

First Reading:

Reader: A reading from Isaiah. (6:1-8)

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!"

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 29

- 1 Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, *ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name; *worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.

- 3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; * the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; *the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.
- 5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; *the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, *and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- 7 The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; *the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe *and strips the forests bare.
- 9 And in the temple of the Lord *all are crying, "Glory!"
- 10 The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; *the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore.
- 11 The Lord shall give strength to his people; *the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

Second Reading:

Reader: A reading from Romans. (8:12-17)

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

“The King of Love” (Verses 1-3)

The King of love my Shepherd is
Whose goodness faileth never
I nothing lack if I am His
And He is mine forever

Where streams of living waters flow
My ransomed soul He leadeth

And where the verdant pastures grow
With food celestial feedeth

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed
But yet in love He sought me
And on His shoulder gently laid
And home rejoicing brought me

Gospel Reading: John 3:1-17

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

People: *Glory to You, Lord Christ.*

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? "Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. "Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

"The King of Love" (Verses 4-6)

In death's dark vale I fear no ill
With Thou dear Lord beside me
Thy rod and staff my comfort still
Thy cross before to guide me

Thou spreadest a table in my sight
Thine unction grace bestoweth

And O what transport of delight
From Thy pure chalice floweth

And so though all my length of days
Thy goodness faileth never
Good Shepherd may I sing Thy praise
Within Thy house for ever

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Sermon

The Reverend Joseph Shepley

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.

Litany of Healing

The Celebrant introduces the Litany with this bidding

Let us name before God those for whom we offer our prayers.

The People audibly name those for whom they are interceding.

A Person appointed then leads the Litany

God the Father, your will for your people is healing and salvation;

We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

God the Son, you came that we might have life, and might have it more abundantly;

We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

God the Holy Spirit, you make our bodies the temple of your presence;

We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

Holy Trinity, one God, in you we live and move and have our being;

We praise you and thank you, O Lord.

Lord, grant your healing grace to all who are sick, injured, or disabled, that they may be made whole;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Grant to all who seek your guidance, and to all who are lonely, anxious, or despondent, a knowledge of your will and an awareness of your presence;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Mend broken relationships, and restore those in emotional distress to soundness of mind and serenity of spirit;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Bless physicians, nurses, and all others who minister to the suffering, granting them wisdom and skill, sympathy and patience;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Grant to the dying peace and a holy death, and uphold by the grace and consolation of your Holy Spirit those who are bereaved;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

Restore to wholeness whatever is broken by human sin, in our lives, in our nation, and in the world;

Hear us, O Lord of life.

You are the Lord who does wonders:

You have declared your power among the peoples.

With you, O Lord, is the well of life:

And in your light we see light.

Hear us, O Lord of life:

Heal us, and make us whole.

Let us pray.

A period of silence follows.

We remember the faithful departed this day in whose memory the altar flowers are given:

On this Memorial Weekend, the flowers on the altar are dedicated to the memory of the faithful departed veterans who have given their lives for our country.

Celebrant concludes the Prayers:

Almighty God, giver of life and health: Send your blessing on all who are sick, and upon those who minister to them, that all weakness may be vanquished by the triumph of the risen Christ; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. *Amen*

Peace (Please Stand As Able)

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Offertory

“Worthy of All Praise”

One name above all names

Worthy of all our praise

We bow our hearts,

And lift our hands to you Lord

One song that we will sing

To praise the King of Kings

We bow our hearts,

And lift our hands to you Lord

To you Lord

We cry out to you and say, Abba Father

Holy is your name

All the earth proclaim

You are worthy of all praise

You are worthy of all praise

The host of heaven sing

All creatures of our King

We bow our hearts,

And lift our hands to you Lord

To you Lord

Holy, holy, Lord, You are holy

Worthy, worthy, Lord, You are worthy

You are worthy of all praise

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Presentation

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise Him all creatures here below

Alleluia, Alleluia

Praise Him above Ye heav'nly host

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost

Alleluia, Alleluia

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Great Thanksgiving (Please Stand As Able)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: 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; for with your co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, you are one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Being; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of you, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name.

Celebrant and People

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant continues (You may stand, sit or kneel)

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day

bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.*

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

Celebrant and People

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.

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion. To receive in one kind is considered full communion. If you choose to receive a blessing only, please cross your arms over your chest. If you prefer a gluten-free wafer, please let the priest know as you kneel at the altar rail. For those who wish to intinct the Bread by dipping it in the Wine rather than drinking directly from the larger Chalice, please signify this choice by holding the consecrated Bread between your fingers as you approach the first and smaller Chalice. After you receive the sacrament, prayer servants will be available at the Altar rail to pray with you.

Communion Songs

“Yahweh”

You alone, are worthy, You alone, are worthy,
Of all that I am, Of all that I am.

Beautiful is Your name, Beautiful is Your
name, Yahweh.

Wonderful is Your name, Wonderful is Your
name, Yahweh.

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“We Fall Down”

We fall down, we lay our crowns
At the feet of Jesus
The greatness of mercy and love
At the feet of Jesus

And we cry holy, holy, holy (3x)
Is the Lamb

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“I Love Your Presence”

In the glory, of Your presence
I find rest, for my soul
In the depths, of Your love
I find peace, makes me whole

I love, I love, I love Your presence
I love, I love, I love Your presence
I love, I love, I love You Jesus
I love, I love, I love Your presence

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Postcommunion Prayer

Gracious Father, we give you praise and thanks for this Holy Communion of the Body and Blood of your beloved Son Jesus Christ, the pledge of our redemption; and we pray that it may bring us forgiveness of our sins, strength in our weakness, and everlasting salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

Closing Hymn

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

Holy holy holy, Lord God Almighty
Early in the morning Our song shall rise to
Thee
Holy holy holy Merciful and mighty
God in three persons Blessed Trinity
Holy holy holy All the saints adore Thee
Casting down their golden crowns
Around the glassy sea
Cherubim and seraphim
Falling down before Thee
Which wert and art And evermore shalt be

Holy holy holy Though the darkness hide Thee
Though the eye of sinful man
Thy glory may not see
Only Thou art holy There is none beside Thee
Perfect in power In love and purity
Holy holy holy Lord God Almighty
All Thy works shall praise Thy name
In earth and sky and sea
Holy holy holy Merciful and mighty
God in three persons Blessed Trinity

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Dismissal

Lay Reader Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

New Testament Scholar to Visit

Dr. Greg Beale will visit St. Paul's on June 15th-17th for a teaching mission. Please join us Friday evening and Saturday morning as Dr. Beale opens the Bible for us with newfound depth, understanding and insights. Please sign up in the back of the church and indicate which days you will attend.

Pray It Up!

Notice the Red and White prayer request cards in the pew? Each Sunday, fill out your request, put it in the red bowl on the table on the way to communion. Then take a card from the bowl either right then or after service. Pray for that request for one week. How comforting to know that your request is being prayed for and that you are praying for someone else's! You might just be praying for the person sitting next to you! Or, if you'd prefer - please send your request to St. Paul's at prayingnow2@gmail.com!

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Upon entering the church, please turn off your cell phone or switch it to a worship respectful setting. Please be sure to dispose of all food and drinks before entering the church. Thank You!

Synthesis CE Study Guide

You may pick up a copy of the week's Synthesis CE Study Guide, as well as the following week's, for your personal use. They are located at the back of the church. Thank You!

Prayer Servant Teams

Prayer for any need or request is available at each service. After you have received communion, please see one of our trained Prayer Servant Teams (with the Blue Name Badges) who are available at the open side door at the entrance to the Vesting Room. Prayer is available in the Vesting Room, Hallway or Back Room as space is available. Our Prayer Servants are ready to confidentially take your request and pray for you and with you. Should you wish to schedule a private prayer time, please let Fr. Joe or Mary Perry, Prayer Ministry Leader (maryperry2@me.com) know and we will work with you to schedule a convenient time. Your Prayer Servants today for Healing Sunday are all who are available.

Food Pantry

As part of our outreach, St. Paul's donates gift cards and non-perishable items to six area food pantries. Donations for the food pantry can be left in the basket at the back of the church or the collection bins in Crocker Hall. Town of Brookfield Food Pantry, the recipient of our food basket collections for the month of May.

Hopeline

The Hopeline Baby Bottle Campaign and will continue until Sunday June 3rd. Baby bottles will be available in the back of the Church, and in Crocker Hall. Checks may be made out to St. Paul's, with Hopeline noted in the memo line. Please contact Bonnie Wanzer or Lois Hunt for more information.



Calendar for the Week

(We welcome and encourage parishioners to come to any of these ministries.)

Sun., May 27	-	8:00 AM	-	Traditional Eucharist
		10:30 AM	-	Sunday School
		10:30 AM	-	Contemporary Eucharist
Mon., May 28	-	Memorial Day	-	Parish Office Closed
		7:00 PM	-	Men's Bible Study
Tue., May 29	-	9:15 AM	-	Ladies Bible Study
		5:45 PM	-	Boot Camp
Wed., May 30	-	10:00 AM	-	Holy Eucharist and Healing
Thu., May 31	-	7:30 PM	-	Music Night
Sat., June 2	-	7:30 AM	-	Men's Prayer Breakfast
		10:00 AM	-	PraiseMoves

Next Sunday — Second Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Eucharist at 8:00 A.M. and 10:30 A.M.

The Reverend David Pople

Readings

1 Samuel 3:1-20; Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17; 2 Corinthians 4:5-12; Mark 2:23-3:6

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