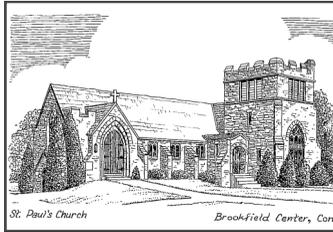


# Saint Paul's Church

(Episcopal|Anglican)

Brookfield, Connecticut

*Thirteenth Sunday after  
Pentecost  
August 19, 2018*



"Celebrating 233 years in the Spirit"

*Preacher & Celebrant  
The Reverend Joseph Shepley  
Rector*

## 10:30 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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203-775-9587 (Office)

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 Crocker Hall. Please join us!

**Prelude**

**"Break the Bread"**

**D. Paxton**

**Opening Hymn**

**"God of Grace and God of Glory"**

**Hymnal, 594**

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.*

## “You Are God”

You're closer than our troubles  
More present than any danger  
More grand than gold and silver  
You are God You are God  
You're the joy of man's desire  
You are Father Satisfier  
We are stunned with wide-eyed wonder  
You are God You are God

Fill our hearts with love and faith  
You fight for us You make us brave  
You are God You are God  
You walk with us You lead us on  
Faith hope and love wakes up with dawn  
You are God You are God

And life flows from God  
It flows from God

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## Collect of the Day (Celebrant and People)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Let us pray together.

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## First Reading:

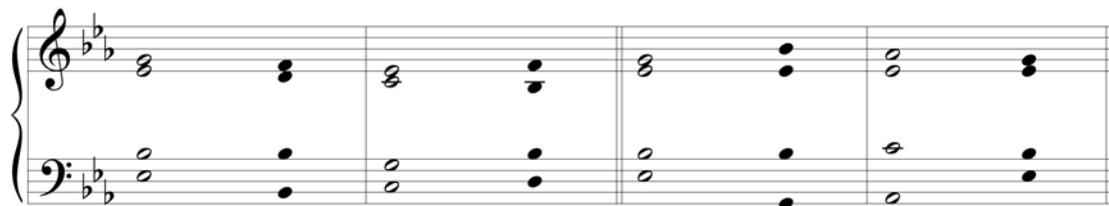
Reader: A reading from First Kings. (2:10-12; 3:3-14)

David slept with his ancestors, and was buried in the city of David. The time that David reigned over Israel was forty years; he reigned seven years in Hebron, and thirty-three years in Jerusalem. So Solomon sat on the throne of his father David; and his kingdom was firmly established. Solomon loved the Lord, walking in the statutes of his father David; only, he sacrificed and offered incense at the high places. The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the principal high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, “Ask what I should give you.” And Solomon said, “You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?” It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, “Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you. I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honor all your life; no other king shall compare with you. If you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your life.”

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

## Psalm 111



- 1 Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole **heart**, \*in the assembly of the upright, in the congre-**gation**.
- 2 Great are the deeds of the **LORD!** \*they are studied by all who de-**light in them**.
- 3 His work is full of majesty and **splendor**, \*and his righteousness endures for **ever**.
- 4 He makes his marvelous works to be re-**membered**; \*the LORD is gracious and full of com-**passion**.
- 5 He gives food to those who **fear him**; \*he is ever mindful of his **covenant**.
- 6 He has shown his people the power of his **works** \*in giving them the lands of the **nations**.
- 7 The works of his hands are faithfulness and **justice**; \*all his commandments are **sure**.
- 8 They stand fast for ever and **ever**, \*because they are done in truth and **equity**.
- 9 He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant for **ever**; \*holy and awesome is his **Name**.
- 10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of **wisdom**; \*those who act accordingly have a good understanding; his praise endures for **ever**.

Glory be to the Father, and to the **Son**,\* and to the Holy **Spirit**:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever **shall be**,

\*world without end. **A-men**.

## Second Reading:

Reader: A reading from Ephesians. (5:15-20)

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

### “Hungry (Falling on my Knees)”

Hungry, I come to You for I know You satisfy      I’m falling on my knees, Offering all of me  
I am empty, but I know Your love does not run dry      Jesus You’re all this heart is living for  
And so I wait for You, So I wait for You

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## Gospel Reading: John 6:51-58

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

People: *Glory to You, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said, “I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.” The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” So Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.”

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

### “Hungry (Falling on my Knees)”

Broken, I run to You for Your arms are open wide      I’m falling on my knees, Offering all of me  
I am weary, but I know Your touch restores my      Jesus You’re all this heart is living for  
life  
And so I wait for You, So I wait for You

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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.

## **Prayers of the People (You May Stand, Sit, or Kneel)**

*In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.*

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our bishops; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.

Pray for the Church.

*Silence*

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

*Silence.*

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

*Silence.*

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

*Silence.*

We remember the faithful departed this day in whose memory the altar flowers are given: Edward S. Davis, Jr., Edward S. Davis, Sr., and Wendell and Lavinia Davis.

*Silence.*

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

*Silence.*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding prayer.*

## Confession of Sin (Please Kneel)

Priest: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence.*

*Priest and People.*

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

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

## Peace (Please Stand As Able)

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

*People: And also with you.*

## Offertory (Please Stand As Able)

Alone in my sorrow and dead in my sin  
Lost without hope with no place to begin  
Your love made a way to let mercy come in  
When death was arrested and my life began  
Ash was redeemed only beauty remains  
My orphan heart was given a name  
My mourning grew quiet my feet rose to dance  
When death was arrested and my life began

Oh Your grace so free washes over me  
You have made me new now life begins with  
You

Released from my chains I'm a pris'ner no more  
My shame was a ransom He faithfully bore  
He cancelled my debt and He called me His friend  
When death was arrested and my life began

## “Death Was Arrested”

Oh Your grace so free washes over me  
You have made me new now life begins with  
You  
It's Your endless love pouring down on us  
You have made us new now life begins with  
You

Our Savior displayed on a criminal's cross  
Darkness rejoiced as though Heaven had lost  
But then Jesus arose with our freedom in hand  
That's when death was arrested and my life began

Oh we're free free forever we're free  
Come join the song of all the redeemed  
Yes we're free free forever amen  
When death was arrested and my life began

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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; through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations.

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.

### Sanctus

Hymnal, S129

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and  
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. \_\_\_\_\_

*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:

*People and Celebrant*

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.*

### **Agnus Dei**

**John Merbecke, 1549**



O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.



O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.



O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

*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 Chalice, you may signify this choice by holding the consecrated Bread between your fingers. Please intinct the Bread in the small Chalice which will come before the larger Chalice. After you leave the altar rail, please know that we have prayer teams in the hallway available to pray with you.*

## **Communion Songs**

### **“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, nor 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.

Words: Irish, ca. 700; versified Mary Elizabeth Byrne; Music: *Slane*, Irish ballad melody

### **“You Are My Peace”**

I lay my burdens at Your feet  
I'm letting go of all the things I can't control  
In my frailty Lord I find Your strength  
I'm depending on a love that won't let go

So I trust You, I trust You  
I trust You, oh You are my peace

I don't have to be strong 'cause You are my  
strength

Oh You are my strength oh You are my  
strength  
I don't have to hold on 'cause You don't let go  
Oh You don't let go oh You don't let go

All you weary come and lay your burdens  
down  
His yoke is easy there is rest to be found

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### **“Worthy of All Praise” (Please Stand)**

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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## Postcommunion Prayer (Remain Standing)

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

## Blessing

### Closing Hymn

### “All My Hope On God is Founded”

All my hope on God is founded; he doth still my trust renew,  
Me through change and chance he guideth, only good and only true.  
God unknown-, he alone- calls my heart to be his own.

Mortal pride and earthly glory, sword and crown betray our trust;  
Though with care and toil we build them, tower and temple fall to dust.  
But God’s power, hour by hour, is my temple and my tower.

God’s great goodness e’er endureth, deep his wisdom passing thought:  
Splendor, light, and life attend him, beauty springeth out of nought.  
Evermore- from his store- newborn worlds rise and adore.

Still from earth to God eternal sacrifice of praise be done,  
High above all praises praising for the gift of Christ, his son.  
Christ doth call- one and all-: ye who follow shall not fall.

Words: Robert Seymour Bridges (1844-1930); Music: *Lauda anima*, John Goss (1800-1880)

## Dismissal

Lay Reader: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

## Postlude

## “Postlude in F”

J. C. Bach



## **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](mailto: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!**

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## **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!

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## **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](mailto:maryperry2@me.com)) know and we will work with you to schedule a convenient time. Your Prayer Servants today are 8:00 Pat Brought and Donna Cennamo, 10:30 All available prayer servants.

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## **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. Victory Christian Center, Danbury and their Food Pantry, is the recipient of our food basket collections for the month of August.

## Calendar for the Week

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

Sun., Aug. 19	-	8:00 AM	-	<b>Traditional Eucharist</b>
		9:30 AM	-	Mission Trip Breakfast
		10:30 AM	-	Sunday School
		10:30 AM	-	<b>Contemporary Eucharist/First Communion</b>
Mon., Aug. 20	-	7:00 PM	-	Men's Bible Study
Wed., Aug. 22	-	10:00 AM	-	<b>Holy Eucharist and Healing</b>
Sat., Aug. 25	-	7:30 AM	-	Men's Prayer Breakfast
		10:00 AM	-	PraiseMoves
		11:00 AM	-	St. Paul's Quilters

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

Preacher, Tara Shepley, Seminarian  
Celebrant, The Reverend Joseph Shepley, Rector

### Readings

1 Kings 8:[1, 6, 10-11], 22-30, 41-43; Psalm 84; Ephesians 6:10-20; John 6:56-69

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