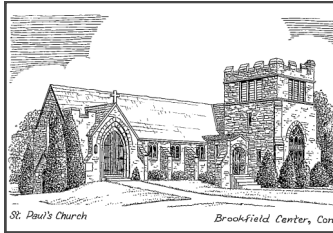


# Saint Paul's Church

(Episcopal/Anglican)

Brookfield, Connecticut

*Twentieth Sunday after  
Pentecost  
October 7, 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**

**"For the Beauty of the Earth"**

**S. Scott**

**Opening Hymn**

**"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"**

**Hymnal, 657**

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.*

## “Sanctuary”

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary  
Pure and holy, tried and true;  
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living  
Sanctuary for you. (*sing 3 times*)

Words and music by John Thopson and Randy Scruggs © 1982 Whole Armor/Full  
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### Children's Sermon

The Reverend Joseph Shepley

#### 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 are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

#### First Reading:

Reader: A reading from Job. (1:1; 2:1-10)

There was once a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job. That man was blameless and upright, one who feared God and turned away from evil. One day the heavenly beings came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came among them to present himself before the Lord. The Lord said to Satan, "Where have you come from?" Satan answered the Lord, "From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking up and down on it." The Lord said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man who fears God and turns away from evil. He still persists in his integrity, although you incited me against him, to destroy him for no reason." Then Satan answered the Lord, "Skin for skin! All that people have they will give to save their lives. But stretch out your hand now and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse you to your face." The Lord said to Satan, "Very well, he is in your power; only spare his life." So Satan went out from the presence of the Lord, and inflicted loathsome sores on Job from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head. Job took a potsherd with which to scrape himself, and sat among the ashes. Then his wife said to him, "Do you still persist in your integrity? Curse God, and die." But he said to her, "You speak as any foolish woman would speak. Shall we receive the good at the hand of God, and not receive the bad?" In all this Job did not sin with his lips.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

## Psalm 26



- 1 Give judgment for me, O LORD, for I have lived with in-**tegrity**; \*I have trusted in the Lord and have not **faltered**.
- 2 Test me, O LORD, and **try me**; \*examine my heart and my **mind**.
- 3 For your love is before my **eyes**; \*I have walked faithfully **with you**.
- 4 I have not sat with the **worthless**, \*nor do I consort with the de-**ceitful**.
- 5 I have hated the company of **evildoers**; \*I will not sit down with the **wicked**.
- 6 I will wash my hands in innocence, O LORD, \*that I may go in procession round your **altar**,
- 7 Singing aloud a song of thanks-**giving** \*and recounting all your wonderful **deeds**.
- 8 LORD, I love the house in which you **dwel**l \*and the place where your glory a-**bides**.
- 9 Do not sweep me away with **sinn**ers, \*nor my life with those who thirst for **blood**,
- 10 Whose hands are full of evil **plots**, \*and their right hand full of **bribes**.
- 11 As for me, I will live with in-**tegrity**; \*redeem me, O LORD, and have pity on **me**.
- 12 My foot stands on level **ground**; \*in the full assembly I will bless the LORD.  
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 Hebrews. (1:1-4; 2:5-12)

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere, "What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, subjecting all things under their feet." Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

### **"When Jesus Left His Father's Throne"**

When Jesus left his Father's throne, he chose a humble birth;  
Like us, unhonored and unknown, he came to dwell on earth.

Like him may we be found below in wisdom's path of peace;  
Like him in grace and knowledge grow as years and strength increase.

## Gospel Reading: Mark 10:2-16

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

People: *Glory to You, Lord Christ.*

Some Pharisees came, and to test Jesus they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." But Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate." Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery." People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as

a little child will never enter it.” And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

### **“When Jesus Left His Father's Throne”**

Sweet were his words and kind his look, when  
mothers round him pressed;  
Their infants in his arms he took, and on his  
bosom blessed.

Safe from the world's alluring harms, beneath  
his watchful eye,  
Thus in the circle of his arms may we for ever  
lie.

Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854); Music: *Kingsfold*, English folk melody;  
adapt. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

## **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)**

*The Leader*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. *(Please add your own prayers, silently or aloud.)*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. *(Please add your own prayers, silently or aloud.)*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. *(Please add your own prayers, silently or aloud.)*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. *(Please add your own prayers, silently or aloud.)*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. *(Please add your own prayers, silently or aloud.)*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

We remember the faithful departed this day in whose memory the altar flowers are given: Rosalinda Candelaria, Joyce Mazzeo Cassillius, Anthony Paul Gallo, Frances Mazzeo, Joseph Mazzeo, and Valerie Miller.

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

*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)**

**“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee”**

**Hymnal, 376**

### **Presentation**

### **Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Alleluia, Alleluia.

Praise Him above, ye heavenly 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**

### **“Children of the Heavenly Father”**

Children of the heavenly Father  
Safely in his bosom gather,  
Nestling bird nor star in heaven  
Such a refuge e’er was given.

God his own doth tend and nourish;  
In his holy courts they flourish;  
From all evil things he spares them;  
In his mighty arms he bears them.

Neither life nor death shall ever  
From the Lord his children sever;  
Unto them his grace he showeth,  
And their sorrows all he knoweth.

Though he giveth or he taketh,  
God his children ne’er forsaketh;  
His the loving purpose solely  
To preserve them pure and holy.

Words by Caroline V. Sandell-Berg, Music: Traditional Swedish melody

### **“Jesus Loves Me”**

Jesus loves me! This I know,  
For the Bible tells me so;  
Little ones to Him belong;  
They are weak, but He is strong.

Refrain:

Yes, Jesus loves me!

Yes, Jesus loves me!

Yes, Jesus loves me!

The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me! This I know,  
As He loved so long ago,

Taking children on His knee,  
Saying, “Let them come to Me.” *Refrain*

Jesus loves me still today,  
Walking with me on my way,  
Wanting as a friend to give  
Light and love to all who live. *Refrain*

Jesus loves me! He who died  
Heaven’s gate to open wide;  
He will wash away my sin,  
Let His little child come in. *Refrain*

Words: Anna B. Warner; David Rutherford McGuire; William B. Bradbury Music: William B. Bradbury

### **“Cannot Say Enough” (Please Stand)**

What can we say to describe  
just a glimpse of your glory?  
How can our words portray  
but a thread of your majesty?  
But still we praise our Savior

oh, in spirit and in truth  
for we cannot say enough  
about You.

Hallelujah, Hallelujah.

Words and music by Bart Millard, Jim Bryson, Mike Scheuchzer, Nathan Cochran, and Robby Shaffer © 2001 Simpleville Music, CCLI #33760

## **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**

**“Now Thank We All Our God”**

**Hymnal, 397**

### **Dismissal**

Priest: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

### **Postlude**

**“Now Thank We All Our God”**

**G. F. Kaufmann**



## **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 Walter VonEgidy.

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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. New Milford Social Services Food Pantry, is the recipient of our food basket collections for the month of October.

## Calendar for the Week

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

Sun., Oct., 7	-	8:00 AM	-	<b>Traditional Eucharist</b>
		9:30 AM	-	Rector's Forum
		10:30 AM	-	Sunday School
		10:30 AM	-	<b>Contemporary Eucharist</b>
Mon., Oct. 8	-	<b>Columbus Day</b>		
		Parish Office Closed		
		7:00 PM	-	Men's Bible Study
Tue., Oct. 9	-	9:15 AM	-	Ladies Bible Study
		5:45 PM	-	Boot Camp
Wed., Oct. 10	-	10:00 AM	-	<b>Holy Eucharist and Healing</b>
		7:00 PM	-	Staff Meeting
		7:30 PM	-	Vestry Meeting
Thu., Oct. 11	-	7:30 PM	-	Music Night
Sat., Oct. 13	-	7:30 AM	-	Men's Prayer Breakfast
		10:00 AM	-	PraiseMoves
		10:00 AM	-	Jericho Food Pantry

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

The Reverend Joseph Shepley, Rector

### Readings

Job 23:1-9, 16-17; Psalm 22:1-15; Hebrews 4:12-16; Mark 10:17-31

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