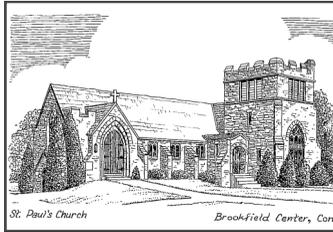


Saint Paul's Church

(Episcopal|Anglican)

Brookfield, Connecticut

*Christ the King
Healing Sunday
November 25, 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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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	"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"	M. A. Johnson
Opening Hymn	"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"	Hymnal, 450

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*

“Death Was Arrested”

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

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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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, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

First Reading:

Reader: A reading from Daniel. (7:9-10, 13-14)

As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne, his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgment, and the books were opened. As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 93

Robert Knox Kennedy (b. 1945)



- 1 The LORD is King; he has put on splendid ap-**parel**; *the LORD has put on his apparel and girded himself with **strength**.
- 2 He has made the whole world so **sure** *that it cannot be **moved**;
- 3 Ever since the world began, your throne has been es-**tablished**; *you are from ever-**lasting**.
- 4 The waters have lifted up, O LORD, the waters have lifted up their **voice**; *the waters have lifted up their pounding **waves**.
- 5 Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the breakers of the **sea**, *mightier is the LORD who dwells on **high**.
- 6 Your testimonies are very **sure**, *and holiness adorns your house, O LORD, for ever and for ever-**more**.

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 Revelation. (1:4b-8)

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

"At the Name of Jesus" (Verses 1-3)

Hymnal, 435

Gospel Reading: John 18:33-37

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

People: *Glory to You, Lord Christ.*

Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

"At the Name of Jesus" (Verses 4-6)

Hymnal, 435

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:
Caroline H. Bellesheim.

The 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 (Please Stand As Able) "How Great is Your Love"

In the dark of night I call Your Name
I am waiting for morning
In all my pain and suffering
You are standing beside me
I am safe in the shadow of your wings

From the mountain tops
To the deepest valley
I will praise Your Name,
The one who goes before me
Hallelujah, Jesus you are my refuge
How great is your love

You calm the storm inside of me
You speak peace to my troubles
You lift me up on eagles wings
You give me strength when I'm weary
My hope and trust is in You Lord, and I sing

From the depths oh Lord, I cry to You
Waiting for you, Lord to make me new
In the dark of night You are the light
Oh shine your light, down upon me

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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;

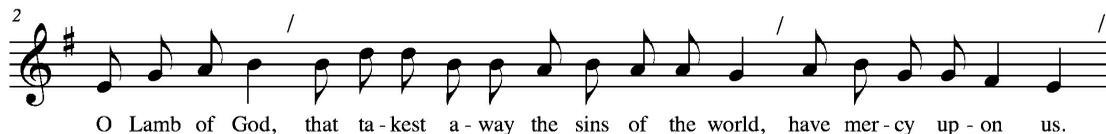
People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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 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

“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence”

Hymnal, 324

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear
and trembling stand;
ponder nothing earthly minded, for with blessing
in his hand
Christ our God to earth descendeth, our full
homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on
earth he stood,
Lord of lords in human vesture, in the Body
and the Blood
he will give to all the faithful his own self for
heavenly food.

Rank of rank the host of heaven spreads its
vanguard on the way,
as the Light of Light descendeth from the
realms of endless day,
that the powers of hell may vanish as the dark-
ness clears away.

At his feet the six-winged seraph; cherubim
with sleepless eye,
veil their faces to the Presence, as with cease-
less voice they cry,
“Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, Lord Most High.”

Words: Liturgy of St. James; para. Gerard Moultri, Music: Picardy, 17th C French carol

“Living Hope”

How great the chasm that lay between us
How high the mountain I could not climb
In desperation I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night
Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness

Tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished the end is written
Jesus Christ my living hope

Who could imagine so great a mercy
What heart could fathom such boundless grace
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame
The cross has spoken I am forgiven
The King of kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior I'm Yours forever
Jesus Christ my living hope

Hallelujah praise the One who set me free
Hallelujah death has lost its grip on me
You have broken every chain
There's salvation in Your name
Jesus Christ my living hope

Then came the morning that sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me
(REPEAT)

Jesus Yours is the victory

Jesus Christ my living hope
Oh God You are my living hope

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“This Is Amazing Grace” (Please Stand)

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger
The King of Glory the King above all kings

Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder
Who leaves us breathless in awe and wonder
The King of Glory the King above all kings

This is amazing grace
This is unfailing love
That You would take my place
That You would bear my cross
You laid down Your life
That I would be set free
Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me

Who brings our chaos back into order
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter
The King of Glory the King of Glory

Who rules the nations with truth and justice
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance
The King of Glory the King above all kings

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave (3x)
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy worthy worthy, yeah

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Postcommunion Prayer (Remain Standing)

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

“Crown Him With Many Crowns”

Hymnal, 494

Dismissal

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

“Lord Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor”

J. Mansfield



Christmas Memorials

Remember your loved ones and friends with a beautiful poinsettia plant that will be decorating the church for the Christmas services. There are envelopes on the back table for this purpose. All memorials are due by Sunday, December 16th, in order to be printed in the Christmas Eve bulletin. If you have any questions, please contact Gail Winkley, at 203-775-3343 or gailwinkley@yahoo.com.

Christmas Giving Tree

Annually, Saint Paul's adopts families from Brookfield who are financially struggling. Soon there will be a tree in the back of the church with gift tags attached listing items requested by the families. If you would like to bring some extra joy to the families, please take a tag or two from the tree. **The unwrapped (a change from past years) gifts are due back to church by Sunday, December 9th, with the tag attached (most important).** Please keep under the

maximum limit of \$30 per gift. In addition to the individual families we will be working with there will also be tags for a holiday shopping table. This will provide small Gift items (up to \$10: crayons, markers, hats, mittens, ear phones, movie tickets, etc.) and holiday necessities (batteries, tape, wrapping paper, bows, and candy). Please find your tag number on the clipboard and write your name and phone number in the corresponding space. Thank you in advance for showering Christmas blessings on the families.

Lessons and Carols: Save the Date!

Our annual Festival of Lessons and Carols will be held on Sunday, December 16 at 5:00 PM. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend this beautiful Advent service which consists of Scripture readings about the birth of Jesus interspersed with the singing of traditional carols led by our choir. What a truly wonderful way to prepare your heart, mind, and voice for Christmas!

Or better yet, if you like to sing, you are welcome to join our special choir for this service.

Rehearsals are on the following 3 Mondays from 7-9 PM: 11/26, 12/3, 12/10 and Thursday, 12/13.

The only prerequisites are as follows: 1) you like to sing Christmas music, and 2) you like to be around people who like to sing Christmas music. No previous participation in the music ministry required! It may be just the thing if you've been looking for a small group to join for Advent! Please contact Kirsten Peterson for more details and to sign up: kirpeterson@comcast.net

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 are all who are available.

Calendar for the Week

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

Sun., Nov. 25	-	8:00 AM	-	Traditional Eucharist
		9:30 AM	-	Rector's Forum
		10:30 AM	-	Sunday School
		10:30 AM	-	Contemporary Eucharist
Mon., Nov. 26	-	7:00 PM	-	Men's Bible Study
		7:00 PM	-	Lessons & Carols Rehearsal
Tue., Nov. 27	-	9:15 AM	-	Ladies Bible Study
		5:45 PM	-	PraiseKicks
		7:00 PM	-	Ladies Evening Bible Study
Wed., Nov. 28	-	10:00 AM	-	Holy Eucharist and Healing
Thu., Nov. 29	-	7:30 PM	-	Music Night
Sat., Dec. 1	-	7:30 AM	-	Men's Prayer Breakfast
		9:15 AM	-	PraiseKicks
		10:00 AM	-	PraiseMoves

**Next Sunday — First Sunday of Advent
Holy Eucharist at 8:00 A.M. and 10:30 A.M.**

The Reverend Joseph Shepley, Rector

Readings

Jeremiah 33:14-16;1 Thessalonians 3:9-13;Luke 21:25-36;Psalm 25:1-9

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