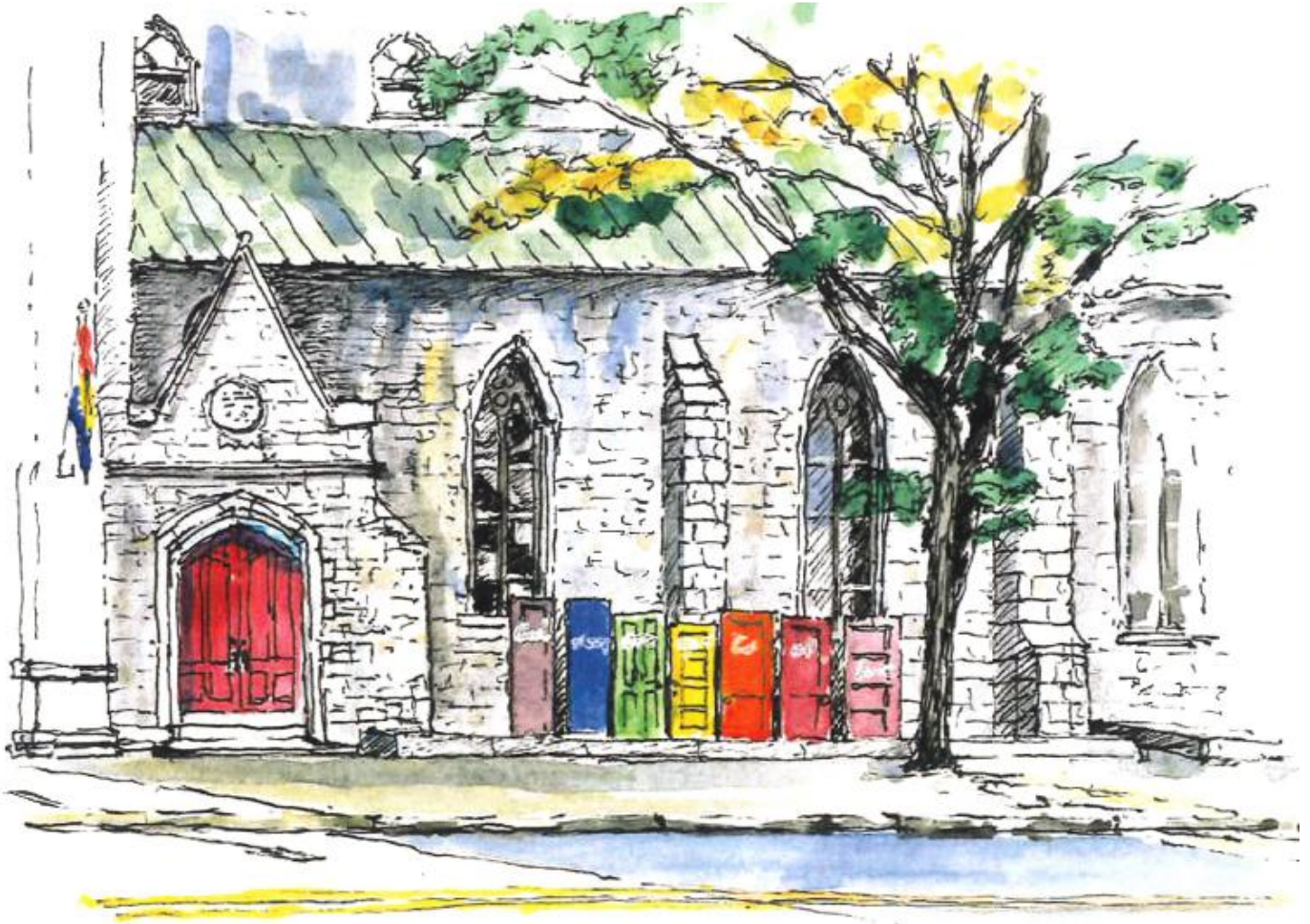




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**Saturday, November 8**

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**Cocktail Attire \$20/person**

# ORDER OF SERVICE

*Our morning worship begins with the first note of the organ prelude and your silent prayers. Please refrain from conversations during this time.*

**PRELUDE:** *An Wasserflüssen Babylon*, BWV 633b

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

“By the streams of Babylon”  
(a 2 Clav. e Pedale doppio)

*The people are invited to stand.*

**HYMN 541** • “Come, labor on”

*Ora Labora*

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

*Celebrant*

† Blessed be the one, holy, and living God:

*People*

**Glory to God for ever and ever.**

1. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_ Lord

God of our fa - thers; \_\_\_\_\_ you are wor - thy of praise;

glo - ry to you. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Glo - ry to you \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ for the ra - di-ance of your ho - ly Name; \_\_\_\_\_ we will

praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. \_\_\_\_\_

3. Glo - ry to you \_\_\_\_\_ in the splen - dor of your

tem - ple; \_\_\_\_\_ on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to

you. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed bet -

ween the Cher - u - bim; \_\_\_\_\_ we will praise you and

high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. \_\_\_\_\_

5. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_ be - hold - ing the

depths; \_\_\_\_\_ in the high vault of hea-ven, glo - ry to

you. \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_ Fa - ther,

Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; \_\_\_\_\_ we will praise you and

high-ly ex - alt you for ev - er. \_\_\_\_\_

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

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.

*All* **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## LESSON • Lamentations 1:1-6

*Lector*

A reading from the lamentations of Jeremiah.

How lonely sits the city  
that once was full of people!  
How like a widow she has become,  
she that was great among the nations!  
She that was a princess among the provinces  
has become a vassal.  
She weeps bitterly in the night,  
with tears on her cheeks;  
among all her lovers  
she has no one to comfort her;  
all her friends have dealt treacherously with her,  
they have become her enemies.  
Judah has gone into exile with suffering  
and hard servitude;  
she lives now among the nations,  
and finds no resting place;  
her pursuers have all overtaken her  
in the midst of her distress.  
The roads to Zion mourn,  
for no one comes to the festivals;  
all her gates are desolate,  
her priests groan;  
her young girls grieve,  
and her lot is bitter.  
Her foes have become the masters,  
her enemies prosper,  
because the LORD has made her suffer  
for the multitude of her transgressions;  
her children have gone away,  
captives before the foe.  
From daughter Zion has departed  
all her majesty.  
Her princes have become like stags  
that find no pasture;  
they fled without strength  
before the pursuer.

*Lector*

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People*

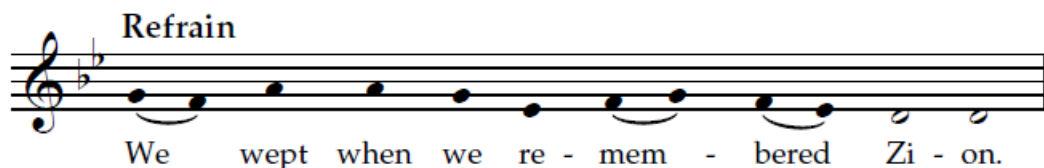
**Thanks be to God.**

## THE RESPONSE

### Psalm 137 *Super flumina*

Mode 3

*The Refrain is first sung by the Choir and repeated by All, and then as indicated.*



By the waters of Babylon we sat down and wept, when we remembered you, O Zion. As for our harps, we hung them up on the trees in the midst of that land. **Refrain**

For those who led us away captive asked us for a song, and our oppressors called for mirth: "Sing us one of the songs of Zion." How shall we sing the LORD'S song upon an alien soil. **Refrain**

If I forget you, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget its skill. Let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth if I do not remember you, if I do not set Jerusalem above my highest joy. **Refrain**

Remember the day of Jerusalem, O LORD, against the people of Edom, who said, "Down with it! down with it! even to the ground!" O Daughter of Babylon, doomed to destruction, happy the one who pays you back for what you have done to us! Happy shall he be who takes your little ones, and dashes them against the rock! . **Refrain**

### EPISTLE • 2 Timothy 1:1-14

*Lector*

A reading from the second letter to Timothy.

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I am grateful to God-- whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did-- when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

*Lector*

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

*The people are invited to stand.*

**GRADUAL HYMN 654 • “Day by day”**

*Sumner*

*Please remain standing*

**HOLY GOSPEL • Luke 17:5-10**

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

*Celebrant* The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you."

"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

*Celebrant* The Gospel of our Lord Jesus.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

**SERMON**

The Rev. Perry Mouncey

*A brief silence follows the sermon.*

*The people are invited to stand.*

**NICENE CREED**

*The word “creed” comes from the Latin credo, translated here as “we believe.” Credo is not simply belief in accurate propositions, but more deeply a sense of relationship or trust—an alternate translation might be “we give our heart,” “we trust,” “we rely upon.” Developed in the fourth century as a means of unifying a divided church, the Nicene Creed has been used by Christians in*

*worship for almost two thousand years, and connects us to our ancient ancestors in the Communion of Saints. The Creed is used in worship not because it comprises a list of doctrinal statements one must affirm in order to be considered a Christian, but rather as a song of praise and confidence in the Holy Trinity: God in three persons who creates, redeems and sanctifies a holy people.*

*All*

**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.**

*Please remain standing.*

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Lord, increase our faith and hear our prayers. Help your church answer your call to serve and build the kingdom of God. We pray especially for Sean, our Presiding Bishop; DeDe, our Bishop; Philip, our Rector, and the people of St. Paul's.

*The people add their own prayers, silently or aloud.*

Give thanks to the Lord: **Praise his Holy Name.**

Guide the people and leaders of this nation towards unity of purpose and mutual trust, that we might be a civil society that offers mercy, hope and opportunity for all. We pray especially for peace in the Middle East and Ukraine.

*The people add their own prayers, silently or aloud.*

Give thanks to the Lord: **Praise his Holy Name.**

Embolden us to be committed stewards of the creation you have entrusted to our care that all future generations might know its abundance.

*The people add their own prayers, silently or aloud.*

Give thanks to the Lord: **Praise his Holy Name.**

Inspire our parish to share the good news with our neighbors so that they might see a glimpse of your Good News.

*The people add their own prayers, silently or aloud.*

Give thanks to the Lord: **Praise his Holy Name.**

Make your healing presence known in the lives of all who suffer and let us be instruments of your healing love. We pray especially for *n.* and those we name silently or aloud.

*The people add their own prayers, silently or aloud.*

Give thanks to the Lord: **Praise his Holy Name.**

May the departed know the brightness of your love, and may we also come to join them in your heavenly home. We pray especially for *n.* and those we name silently or aloud.

*The people add their own prayers, silently or aloud.*

Give thanks to the Lord: **Praise his Holy Name.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding prayer.*

## **CONFESSION**

*The people are invited to sit / kneel.*

*Officiant  
All*

Let us confess our sins to God.

**God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

## ABSOLUTION

*Officiant*

† Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

*All*

**Amen.**

*The people are invited to stand*

## THE PEACE

*Celebrant*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*

**And also with you.**

# LITURGY OF THE TABLE

*The bread and wine for communion and the offering plates are brought forward at the beginning of the offertory.*

## OFFERTORY

*At the Offertory, we return thanks for God's blessings in our lives and invite you to place your contribution in the offering plate in the main aisle or give by texting 73256 entering **stpaulsyr** (all lower case) and the amount you want to give.*



*Celebrant*

All things come of Thee, O Lord.

*People*

**And of thine own have we given thee.**

*The People are invited to sit.*

## AN ANTHEM

Harold W. Friedell (1905-1958)

*Draw us in the Spirit's tether; for when humbly, in thy name, two or three are met together, Thou art in the midst of them: Alleluya! Touch we now thy garment's hem. As the brethren used to gather in the name of Christ to sup, then with thanks to God the Father break the bread and bless the cup, Alleluya! So knit thou our friendship up. All our meals and all our living make as sacraments of thee, that by caring, helping, giving, we may true disciples be. Alleluya! We will serve thee faithfully.*

*The people are invited to stand*

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**, The Eucharist Prayer is from the Church of South India

*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 our thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant*

Truly it is right and good to glorify you at all times and in all places, by offering you our thanksgiving O Lord. You spoke and the light shattered darkness, order arose from confusion. You breathed into the dust of the earth and we were formed in your image.

Through your Holy Spirit you brood over the chaos we create, mothering us and shaping a new creation. You enlighten everyone coming into the world. You inspire prophetic voices to speak the right word at the right time. You liberate, equip and commission your

people for the continuance of your mission to make everything new.

In Christ Jesus you came to us while we wandered. He met us as a refugee, a threatened child. He called us by name to leave what is comfortable to be his disciples and friends. By his death he destroyed the power of death. By his resurrection he opened the way of eternal life.

Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we proclaim your glory:

## **SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS**

8:00 **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.**

10:00 - Hymnal S-129

Robert Powell (1932-2025)

*Celebrant* Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night in which he was betrayed, took the bread and when he had given thanks to you, broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat. This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way after supper, he took the cup and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them saying: Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of me.

*All* **Lord we commemorate your death on the cross, we celebrate your resurrection, and we await your coming.**

*Celebrant* Eternal God, let your Holy Spirit move in power over us and over these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ, and that we may become one in him.

May his coming in glory find us ever watchful in prayer, strong in love, and faithful in the breaking of the bread. Then, at last, all peoples will be free, all divisions healed, and with your whole creation, we will sing your praise, through your Son, Jesus Christ.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, for ever and ever.

*All* **Amen.**

*Celebrant* As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*All* **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.**

## **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*The breaking of the bread may be seen as the culminating activity of our worship. It is the ritual action symbolizing the activity whereby God emptied Godself of divine power for purpose of reconciling Godself with us. We have no words to accurately describe this divine activity, thus a period of 10-15 seconds of silence is kept following the breaking of the bread and before the singing of the Fraction Anthem.*

## FRACTION ANTHEM

8:00

*Celebrant*  
*People*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
**Therefore, let us keep the feast, Alleluia.**

10:00 - Hymnal S-155

Gerald Near (b.1942)

*You are invited to consume the consecrated bread immediately after you receive it. If you choose to receive the wine, drink directly from the cup. We are not dipping the bread into the wine at this time. Our understanding is that the sacrament of communion is complete if the bread or wine is received; it is not necessary to receive both.*

<sup>s</sup>

*During the distribution of communion, Prayers for Healing and Wholeness may be offered at the Peace Altar.*

**ANTHEM • “The call”**

John Paynter (1928-1996)

*Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: such a way as gives us breath; such a truth as ends all strife; such a life as killeth death. Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: such a light as shows a feast; such a feast as mends in length; such a strength as makes his guest. Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart; such a joy as none can move; such a love as none can part; such a heart as joys in love.*

Alex Bodenham & Nolan Palsma

**COMMUNION HYMN • 321 “My God, thy table now is spread”**

Rockingham

*The People are invited to stand.*

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

*Officiant*  
*All*

Let us pray.

**God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

**BLESSING**

**HYMN 405 • “All things bright and beautiful”**

Royal Oak

**DISMISSAL**

*People:*

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**POSTLUDE • Toccata in G Major**

Theodore Dubois (1837-1924)

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*Prayers of the People were written by St. Paul's prayer leaders.*

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***Please Keep These People in Your Prayers:***

Destany W., Anne D., Daniela B., Kira D., and the Allen Family

We remember those who have died in recent days: Grant Dolge

The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in memory of John Rohde by Andrea Miceli.

## Our thanks today for the...

**Altar Guild:** Ellyn Hass & Ruth Brown

**Lay Reader:** David Webb / Derina Samuel

**Ushers:** Amy Mangram / Anita Wagner and Georgette Schmidt

**Flowers:** Marion Greenhalgh

## Announcements

\* Next Sunday, October 12, the choir will sing Hassler's setting of *Missa Secunda*, a rather short mass setting. Join us for this special presentation in our marvelous acoustics. See article in the Courier, page 10.

\* This morning we especially remember the Rev. John Rohde in our prayers. John was a member of St. Paul's for many years. He was ordained in 2019. John died of sepsis one year ago, on October 4, 2024. We hold Andrea Miceli, John's widow, and his entire family in our prayers today.

\* This morning we welcome the Rev. Perry Mouncey as our celebrant and preacher.

\* Next Friday, October 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 is our first Pot Luck! Check the Courier or website for details. Contact Tiffany Miner to help with set up/clean up or with any questions.

\* Fr. Philip is attending a CREDO clergy conference in Virginia. He will return on Tuesday.

\* Please read the October edition of *The Courier* for our full roster of announcements. Print copies of *The Courier* may be found at the back of the Nave. You can also read it at our website at [stpaulsyr.org](http://stpaulsyr.org).

\* Our new West Entry doors are working and will be open each Sunday for 20-30 minutes prior to each service. Prior to the renovation of our parking lot (in 2026) please access the West Entry door from the side ramps.


\* We will have some new handicapped parking signs in the parking lot by the end of the month. Please save the 4-6 spaces closest to the West Entry for people with young children and people with limited mobility.

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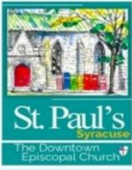
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