

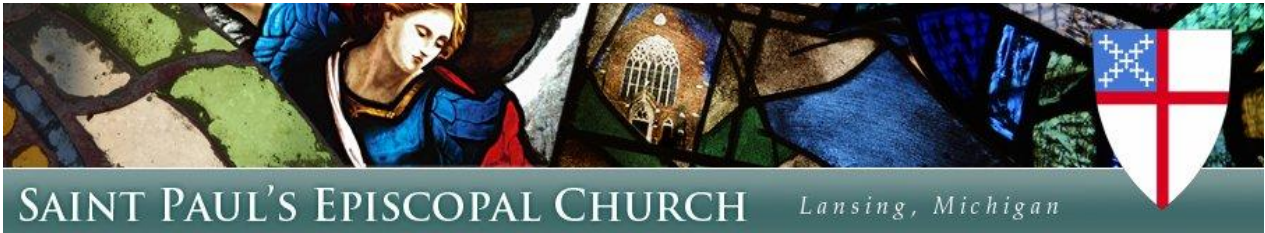
"Our Welcome"

In the light of God's unconditional love, we respect the dignity of every human being by welcoming and supporting all persons whatever their race, color, gender, age, sexual orientation, health status, marital status or stage of spiritual journeying. We invite you to explore, investigate, and grow in your faith and become a part of our shared journey with God.

The First Sunday After Pentecost - May 31, 2026 Trinity Sunday -- Holy Eucharist

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THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST: TRINITY SUNDAY – HOLY EUCHARIST
MAY 31, 2026

PRELUDE

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Creator, you made all people of every land. Today, we honor the ancestral and traditional Lands of the Anishinaabeg, the Three Fires Confederacy of Ojibwe, Odawa and Potawatomi people, whose home this land was for hundreds of years, and who are still here today. As we make this land acknowledgement, we confess to our part in the sin of traumatic, systemic racism and oppression in the history of this nation and in the Church-a history we are only beginning to understand. With humility, we commit ourselves to acknowledging the wrongs of the past and to building relationships with the Anishinaabeg. **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN

Immortal, invisible, God only wise

HYMN 423

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
 3 To all life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
 4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry, thou rul - est in light,

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
 in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
 thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
 we blos - som and flour - ish, like leaves on the tree,
 all laud we would ren - der: O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - tor - ious, thy great Name we praise.
 thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 then with - er and per - ish; but nought chan - geth thee.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee.

Words: Walter Chalmers Smith (1824-1908), alt. Music: *St. Denio*, Welsh hymn, from *Caniadau y Cyssegr*, 1839; adapt. John Roberts (1822-1877); harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906, alt.

The people standing, the Officiant says

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

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.

The people sing together

GLORIA

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1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and
peace to his peo-ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven-ly King, al-
might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo-ry. 3. Lord Je-sus Christ,
on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;
5. you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-
ceive our prayer. 6. For
you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
7. you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the
Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of
God the Fa-ther. A - - - - - men.

Officiant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Officiant Let us pray.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

The people are invited to sit for the readings and the psalm

FIRST LESSON

GENESIS 1:1 – 2:4A

Reader A reading of James Weldon Johnson's book *The Creation**

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

CANTICLE 13

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.

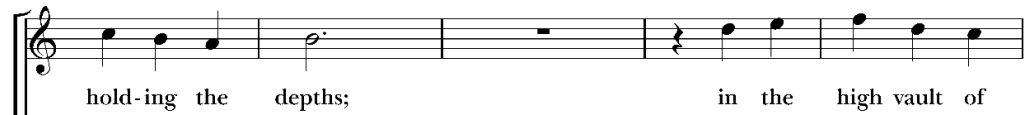
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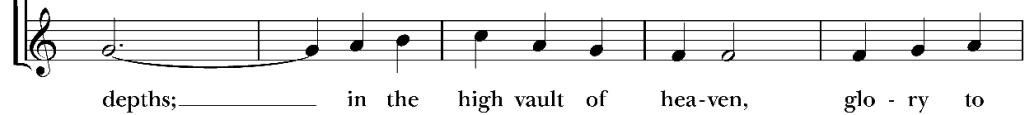
5. Glo - ry to you, be -



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



hold - ing the depths; in the high vault of



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



hea - ven, 6. Glo - ry to you,



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



high - ly ex - alt you Glo - ry to you!



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



Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will



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



high - ly ex - alt you Glo - ry to you!



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

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SECOND LESSON

2 CORINTHIANS 13:11-13

Reader A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN

There's a wideness in God's mercy

HYMN 469

Introduction



1 There's a wide - ness in God's mer - cy like the wide - ness
2 There is no place where earth's sor - rows are more felt than
3 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sure

of the sea; there's a kind - ness in his jus -
up in heaven; there is no place where earth's fail -
of the mind; and the heart of the E - ter -

tice, which is more than lib - er - ty. There is wel - come
ings have such kind - ly judg - ment given. There is plen - ti -
nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind. If our love were

for the sin - ner, and more gra - ces for the good; there is mer - cy
ful re - demp - tion in the blood that has been shed; there is joy for
but more faith - ful, we should take him at his word; and our life would

Interlude/Conclusion

with the Sa - vior; there is heal - ing in his blood.
all the mem - bers in the sor - rows of the Head.
be thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of the Lord.



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THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 28:16-20

Then, all standing, the clergy person reads the Gospel, first saying

Officiant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Officiant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON

The Rev. Karen C. Lewis

THE NICENE CREED

**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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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

Bound together in Christ in the communion of the Holy Spirit, let us pray with one heart and mind to our God, saying: Holy Trinity, hear us.

That the love which passes between the Father and the Son in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit may renew and deepen the life of each Christian and draw us all gathered here into your unending life, we pray: **Holy Trinity, hear us.**

For the leaders of the church especially Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury, Sean our presiding bishop and Bonnie our bishop; for the leaders of this congregation; and for the leaders of nations, that they may discern the ways to overcome divisions and mistrust, and may reflect your unity in every aspect of common life, we pray: **Holy Trinity, hear us.**

That your self-disclosure in Christ and your enduring presence among us as Spirit may help us to understand both you and ourselves, made in your image and likeness, we pray: **Holy Trinity, hear us.**

For our families, our households, and our communities, that they may be places of communion and mutual support, which build us up and strengthen us in grace and truth, we pray: **Holy Trinity, hear us.**

Thankful for our world which you made through Christ, and renewed in the power of his resurrection, that we may be wise and careful stewards of creation, we pray: **Holy Trinity, hear us.**

In the power of the Spirit who joins our prayer to Christ's enduring intercession, we pray for the sick, the suffering, and all who stand in need especially those on our parish prayer list, and those we now name either silently or aloud _____. For healing for all the world we pray: **Holy Trinity, hear us.**

For those who are victims of racism and abuse of power; for the homeless, indigent, refugee, immigrant, destitute or unwanted; for the voiceless, the persecuted and those who suffer from violence and hatred, we pray: **Holy Trinity, hear us.**

For those who have graduated and now enter new places and opportunities, we pray: **Holy Trinity, hear us.**

For those who have died and those who built and sustained this church in ages past; may we honor their memory through the ministry of those who pray here this day, we pray: **Holy Trinity, hear us.**

The Officiant concludes the prayers saying

Gracious God, accept our prayers this day. By the inner workings of your Spirit, deepen our communion with you, the source and goal of our life, and make us more and more signs of your enduring love. This we pray through Christ, who lives and works with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor unto the Lord.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Christ Be with Me

Noel Rawsthorne

OFFERTORY HYMN

Holy Father, great Creator

HYMN 368

1 Ho - ly Fa - ther, great Cre - a - tor, source of mer - cy,
 2 Ho - ly Je - sus, Lord of glo - ry, whom an - gel - ic
 3 Ho - ly Spi - rit, Sanc - ti - fi - er, come with unc - tion
 4 God the Lord, through ev - ery na - tion let thy won-drous

love, and peace, look up - on the Me - di - a - tor,
 hosts pro - claim, while we hear thy won - drous sto - ry,
 from a - bove, touch our hearts with sa - cred fire, —
 mer - cies shine. In the song of thy sal - va - tion

clothe us with his right-eous-ness; heaven - ly Fa - ther,
 meet and wor - ship in thy Name, dear Re-deem - er,
 fill them with the Sa - vior's love. Source of com - fort,
 ev - ery tongue and race com-bine. Great Je - ho - vah,

heaven - ly Fa - ther, through the Sa - vior hear and bless.
 dear Re-deem - er, in our hearts thy peace pro - claim.
 Source of com - fort, cheer us with the Sa - vior's love.
 Great Je - ho - vah, form our hearts and make them thine.

Words: Alexander Viets Griswold (1766-1843), alt.

Music: *Regent Square*, Henry Thomas Smart (1813-1879); desc. Craig Sellar Lang (1891-1971)

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The people standing, the Officiant says

People The Lord be with you
And also with you.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them up to the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For with your co-eternal Son and the Holy Spirit, you are one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Being: and we celebrate the one and equal glory of you, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Officiant and People sing together

SANCTUS

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Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: From *A Community Mass*; Richard Proulx (b. 1937) Copyright © 1971, 1977 GIA Publications, Inc.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Officiant and people say together

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Officiant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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,

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 FRACTION ANTHEM

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The Officiant breaks the consecrated bread

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is
sac - ri - ficed for us; There - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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INVITATION

Officiant The gifts of God for the People of God. Holy Gifts for Holy People.

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

All God's people are cordially invited to God's table, including children. Gluten-free wafers are available: please indicate to the priest that you require this alternative. We will be offering wine from the common cup to those who wish to receive in this manner. The chalice bearer will thoroughly wipe the space from which you drank prior to offering the cup to the next communicant.

Another alternative to receiving the wine from the common cup is through intinction. The priest will place the wafer in your hand; the chalice bearer will pick up the wafer, dip it into the wine, and replace it on your palm. No one is allowed to intinct with their own hand/fingers. This safe guards all who use the common cup. If you wish to receive communion in only one kind (bread), know that you have received full communion.

Those who are not baptized or those who do not wish to receive communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest. The ushers will guide you. If you are unable to come forward and wish to receive communion in your pew, please let one of the ushers know.

COMMUNION ANTHEM *Let Us Break Bread Together* arr. Arlen Clarke

COMMUNION HYMN *Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness* HYMN 339

1 Deck thy - self, my soul, with glad - ness, leave the
2 Sun, who all my life dost bright - en; Light, who
3 Je - sus, Bread of Life, I pray thee, let me

gloom - y haunts of sad - ness, come in - to the day - light's
dost my soul en - light - en; Joy, the best that an - y
glad - ly here o - bey thee; nev - er to my hurt in -

splen - dor, there with joy thy prais - es ren - der
know - eth; Fount, whence all my be - ing flow - eth:
vit - ed, be thy love with love re - quit - ed;

un - to him whose grace un - bound - ed hath this
at thy feet I cry, my Ma - ker, let me
from this ban - quet let me mea - sure, Lord, how

won-drous ban - quet found - ed - high o'er all the heavens he
be a fit par - ta - ker of this bless - ed food from
vast and deep its trea - sure; through the gifts thou here dost

reign - eth, yet to dwell with thee he deign - eth.
hea - ven, for our good, thy glo - ry, giv - en.
give me, as thy guest in heaven re - ceive me.

Words: Johann Franck (1618-1677); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt. Music: *Schmücke dich*, melody Johann Crüger (1598-1662); harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Gracious and loving God, you have made us one in the body of Christ, and nourished us at your table with holy food and drink. Now send us forth to be your people in the world. Grant us strength to persevere in resisting evil, and to proclaim in all we say and do your Good News in Christ Jesus our Savior. Amen.

The Officiant and People say together:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GRADUATION LITANY

We are gathered together
to celebrate the accomplishments of Jamal, Hannah and Jamie.

**We give blessings to you for all that you have achieved
and many more achievements yet to come.**

One part of your life's journey is complete.
You will prepare to begin another phase
that will take you to unimaginable places.
As you prepare for your next journey,
we hope that you remember the ones you leave behind.

**We give you blessings of good will and love
as you journey forth into the world.
We thank you for the laughter and fellowship
that you have shared with us
and pray that as you begin your next journey,
remember the times that we all have shared with you.**

Use those memories as a beacon to guide you on your path.
Don't look back; continue only forward,
while using those memories to create a new path.

**We pray that God will give you strength and determination
to develop new relationships that will help to strengthen
and sustain your faith.**

Because we are made in the image of God
we have been blessed with free will to make choices and decisions.

**We pray that you make wise and rational decisions,
always turning to God for help.
God hears, God listens, God is always with you.
Do not forget that.
Always keep in mind that God is around
and if you turn to him, he will guide you.**

BLESSING OF GRADUATES

The Officiant says

Receive this blessing to go into the world:

May you have the commitment to go into the world
being led by the Great Spirit of Hope and Imagination,
to see the gifts and achievements
that the Almighty Creator calls out of you.

May you have the courage to live your "impossible dreams"
so that they will become possible!

May you also have the courage not to look back –
because you are confident that the Source of all creation
will use you in a mighty way for the purpose to which you are called.

As you go forth, put into practice
the accumulated knowledge you have achieved.

Go forth with your feet firmly planted
on the solid ground plowed by your family, friends
and teachers of your heritage and society.

Go to heights quite beyond your present capabilities
as you follow the lead of God,
who gives faith, wisdom, understanding and blessings.

Go, knowing that what you have received today is yours
and nothing can separate you
from the Great Source of Knowledge and Wisdom, the Master Teacher.

Go in peace.

We ask this blessing upon each of you,
In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
AMEN!

THE BLESSING

May the peace of God which surpasses all our understanding keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God, and of God's Son Jesus Christ our Lord, and the
blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and
remain with you always. **Amen.**

The Officiant and People sing together:

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord — God Al - might - y!
 *2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
 3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,
 4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord — God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee:
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 though the sin - ful hu - man eye thy glo - ry may not see,
 All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea;

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.
 which wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
 per - fect in power, in love, and pu - ri - ty.
 God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

Words: Reginald Heber (1783-1826), alt. Music: *Nicaea*, John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876).

DISMISSAL

Officiant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

*The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God
And in celebration of the 39th anniversary of the marriage of
Stacey O'Toole and Herb Tanner.*

Assisting in today's service

Crucifer	Greg Wortley
Subdeacon	Amy Wortley
Lector	Brad Deacon
Prayers of the People	Martha McKee
Chalice Bearers	Amy Wortley, Lyn Zynda
Altar Guild Members for the Week	Bobbi Tisdale (chair), Marilyn Earley, Steven Kandow, Maria Wawro
Ushers	John Nevin, Jack Baker, Jamal Dillman-Hasso, Bob Merriman
Counters	Jane Bryce, Isaac Francisco
Coffee Hour	Vestry
Greeters	Jamie Diedrich
Blessing Box	Lyn Zynda
Recycling Team	Justin Alexander
Sunday School Mentors	Barb Heany, Susan Henderson
Vestry Person of the Day	Justin Alexander

Musical selections licensed through Rite Song.

Assisting Next Sunday, June 7, 2026

Lector	Amanda Ross
Prayers of the People	Steven Kandow
Chalice Bearers	Greg Wortley, Leslie Hall
Altar Guild Members for the Week	Marti Narezo (chair), Carrie Freeman, Barb Heany
Ushers	Debbie Parks, David Parks, Justin Alexander
Greeters	
Blessing Box	John David Hawkins
Recycling Team	
Vestry Person of the Day	

* James Weldon Johns wrote *The Creation* poem in 1919, and it was ultimately published in 1927 in a collection called *God's Trombones: Seven Negro Sermons in Verse*. A respected patriarch of the Harlem Literary renaissance, Mr. Johnson was first inspired to set down this vivid version of the creation after hearing a dramatic and deeply moving sermon by a black country preacher in Kansas City.

Opportunities for Prayer
May 31, 2026

We pray for those who have ongoing needs for healing prayers: Melissa, Julie, Everett, Kris, Pat, Jim, Mike, Peter, Caroline, Jennifer, Howard, Jon, Carol, and Whitt. **Due to privacy concerns, we will now be posting first names only on our prayer list.*

We pray this week for the following St. Paul's members: Herb Tanner & Stacey O'Toole and AJ, Hillary, Violet, & Clover Walilko.

We pray this week for the following community service agency: Canines for Change, 10753 Countryside Drive, Grand Ledge.

We pray for our downtown church community: Cathedral Church of St. Mary; Central United Methodist Church; Christ Community Church; and First Presbyterian Church.

We pray for our worshipping communities: Christ Church, Dearborn; Holy Family, Santo Domingo, DR.

We pray for those in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Pray for The Anglican Church of Rwanda.

We pray for: Sarah Mullally, Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean Rowe, our Presiding Bishop; Bonnie A. Perry, our bishop; Moises Quezada Mota, Bishop of the Diocese of the Dominican Republic; Elizabeth Eaton, ELCA Presiding Bishop; Donald P. Kreiss, ELCA Bishop, SE Michigan Synod; Craig A. Satterlee, ELCA Bishop, NW Lower Michigan Synod; our retired bishop, Wendell Gibbs; Karen C. Lewis, our rector; Dick Hamlin and Gail Shafer, our priest associates; our worship ministers, St. Paul's staff and our diocesan household.

Announcements for The Week
May 31, 2026 - June 7, 2026

2026 Graduates - Please join us in congratulating our 2026 graduates:

Hannah Bancroft graduated from Michigan State University with a Bachelor of Music Education with honors. Hannah will be student teaching in the fall at Grand Ledge High School.

Jamie Diedrich graduated from Alma College with a Bachelor of Arts in Communications.

Jamal Dillman-Hasso defended his PhD in History from the Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies of the University of Michigan. In addition to building his academic portfolio, he is working with the Truth, Justice, and Healing Commission on Native Schools, an Episcopal Church organization chartered by the General Convention. Dr. Dillman-Hasso will be hooded in December 2026.

Parish Office Hours Monday - Thursday: 9:00am to 2:00pm.

Closed on Fridays.

Phone: 517-482-9454 E-mail: office@stpaulslansing.org

Visit our website: www.stpaulslansing.org

For Parish activities and information please check the information table in the Merrifield Room.

Noisy Offering Recipient for April-June 2026: Ele's Place provides a safe space for children and families to find healing through shared experiences. Ele's Place's mission is built around compassion and community, helping children, teens, and families navigate their grief.

Coffee Hour sign up: We need two family units per week to bring treats, serve & provide cleanup for coffee hour following the 10:00am services. There are signup sheets in the Merrifield Room. Sign up with a friend or extended family. If no one signs up, we will not have coffee hour.

Bulletin: Please submit information by noon on Tuesday, in writing or by e-mail, to office@stpaulslansing.org to ensure accuracy.

Frances Park Worship & Potluck: Join us June 7th at Frances Park pavilion, 2701 Moores River Dr, Lansing 48911 for worship at 10:00am and a potluck and games following the service. There is a signup in the Merrifield Room. St. Paul's will provide the burgers & hot dogs.

Faith in Film is back this fall! If you would like to lead a Faith in Film session, please email Steven Kadow by June 1st at kando1sr@gmail.com with the name of the movie you would like to discuss. Dates and snack responsibilities will be determined once all film suggestions have been received. We look forward to another great series of conversations on the intersection of faith and film starting in September!

Recycle ink cartridges: Bring your used ink cartridges into the parish office for recycling and help reduce our paper costs. We get discounts on office supplies and paper through the Staples recycling program. **Staples now charges a fee for batteries, so we will no longer be accepting them.**

St. Paul's Recycling: Please sign up in the Merrifield Room to take some of the recycling either to your home bin or to a recycling drop off center. We are committed to reduce, reuse, and recycle at St. Paul's. See one of the Milnes or Borons for more information.

Baby formula for Advent House: We continue to collect baby formula and baby food for Advent House for their baby/family pantry. Your help could make a difference in the lives of young working families trying to make ends meet. Please place items in the shopping cart by the back door if you would like to help with this ministry. If you have questions, please see Katie Alexander johns21k@gmail.com.

Blessing Box: Sign up in the Merrifield Room to fill the Blessing Box for a week.

The service of Compline is offered Wednesday evenings at 9 pm on Zoom with The Very Rev. Dr. Gail Shafer, our priest associate. The current liturgy is from the Book of Common Prayer. A recording of the service will be posted to St. Paul's Facebook page. Please feel free to either join the Zoom meeting, or the service posted on Facebook. The Zoom link will be listed in the weekly email.

Reminder: Please schedule all meetings (in-person and online) with the office in advance. We want to assure you that there is space for you to meet and that someone will be available to open the building. For online meetings, we want meetings to be available to all parishioners. **Please** notify the office if you have a **cancellation** to ensure building and staff security.

Evening Meeting Times & Parking Ramp Hours: All evening meetings and classes should begin no earlier than 6:15pm and end by 8:45pm for access to the parking ramp. regular parking ramp availability M-Th 6:00pm-9:00pm and Saturday & Sunday 7:30am-6:00pm.

Altar flower requests: There are openings for the upcoming Sundays for altar flower dedications. Flowers are always given to the glory of God, and then in honor of, or in thanksgiving for a person or occasion. Dedications and **\$120** payment must be received in the church office no later than the Monday before the date of the dedication. **More than one dedication can be made if you and a friend want to share the cost of the flowers.** Altar Flower forms available on the signup table, or you can email your dedication to office@stpaulslansing.org.

Please sign up to be a Greeter: One of the faith outreaches we have at St. Paul's is the Sunday morning greeters. We can extend our faith by welcoming our fellow parishioners and visitors each week. Remember that you are the first face they will see as they enter the church. A welcoming hand and face always lift our spirit, what a way to start a day and you play an important part in that.

- **Signup sheets are in the Merrifield Room** – Need two greeters at the back door.
- Be at the back door 20 minutes before the service.
- Greeters should remind parishioners to pick up their nametags and ask visitors to fill out the guest book located in the cloister outside the chapel and to join the parish after the service for coffee and fellowship in the Merrifield Room.

Contributions Last Week: For the week of May 24, 2026, St. Paul's received **\$4,625** in contributions as follows:

Pledge Income	\$3,565
NonPledge Income	\$500
Loose Offering	\$60
Rector's Discretionary	\$500

**No service at the church on Sunday, June 7, 2026 – we will gather for
worship and fellowship at Francis Park Pavillion.**

<p>This Week at St. Paul's May 31, 2026 – June 7, 2026</p>

Sunday, 5/31:		Graduation Sunday Katie Alexander Away
	9:15am	Choir Rehearsal
	9:45am	Sunday School
	10:00am	Worship & Holy Communion – Sanctuary
	11:15am	Coffee Hour
	1:00pm	Immigrant Prayer Walk begins at First Presbyterian
	3:00pm	Immigrant Prayer Walk Benediction at St. Paul's
	4:30pm	Dillman-Hasso CDC – VanAtta Room
Monday 6/1:	2:30pm	Staff Meeting
Tuesday, 6/2:		
Wednesday, 6/3:	12:00pm	Noon Book Study - Zoom
	9:00pm	Compline – Zoom
Thursday, 6/4:	6:30pm	Choir Party – Merrifield Room
Friday, 6/5:		Office Closed
Saturday, 6/6:	10:00am	Quilting Group Downstairs
Sunday, 6/7:		Sunday School Mentor/Student Recognition
	10:00am	Worship & Holy Communion–Francis Park Pavillion
	11:15am	Potluck/Cook Out–Francis Park Pavillion

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Prayer Walk

for Peace, Justice,
and Dignity for Immigrants



Join us as we walk and pray to show solidarity with our immigrant friends and neighbors through public witness!

Starting and ending at nearby churches, our program will feature a procession around the Michigan State Capitol. It will be ecumenical and multi-faith, peaceful and non-partisan.

Date and Time: Sunday, May 31, 2026 | 1:00 – 3:30 pm

Kick-off Location: First Presbyterian Church
(510 West Ottawa Street, Lansing, Michigan)

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