



St. Paul's Episcopal Church

May 2025

SUNDAY SERVICES

SUNDAY - 10:00 A.M.

MAY 4
MORNING PRAYER
Lay Reader - Sam French

MAY 11
HOLY EUCHARIST
THE REV. MIKE KYLE
Lay Reader - Kate French

MAY 18
MORNING PRAYER
Lay Reader - Don Kiefer

MAY 25
MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND
Service To Be Announced
Lay Reader - Ruana Gladfelter

A Message from the Bishop's Warden



Dear Friends in Christ

Alleluia! Christ is risen! The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

What wonderful encouraging words, heard on our glorious Easter Sunday with Fr. Dom Compier and again on Easter 2! The Easter Season continues until Pentecost, 50 days after the Resurrection, celebrated this year on June 8th. Pentecost is the feast that "marks the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles, fulfilling Jesus's promise and considered the birthday of the Church. It symbolizes the beginning of the church's mission to the world and the empowering of believers to bear witness to Christ (computer source)".

What a definition! In the sermon I read Sunday, The Rev. Mary K. Morrison of Trinity Cathedral in Sacramento, CA, reminds us that the Gospel of John tells us God brought life and light into the world with Jesus, and while the disciples must have felt that darkness had overcome the light, they soon realized that with the Resurrection, the light had triumphed. She reminded us that with the gift of the Holy Spirit, the disciples were empowered to continue to spread the light of Christ throughout the world, and that we, too, have been given this commission at our own baptisms when we are "sealed by the Holy spirit and made Christ's own forever."

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That may be one of my favorite phrases. I want to quote a portion of that sermon that really spoke to me. Mtr. Mary reminded us that “the gospel is good news that transcends time and place. Whenever we practice forgiveness, whenever we overcome the power of death in its many forms – hatred, violence, indifference – the spirit of Christ is alive and well in believers, and resurrection life is expressed again in this time and place. We can’t prove the resurrection, but we can be fingers pointing to it whenever we are signs that the life of Christ has not been extinguished, but is enfleshed in us and in every Christian community.” The power of the Spirit was present in the disciples all those many years ago and has remained present in the church throughout the ages. It is still here today working among us!

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In Christ,

Kate

CHURCH NEWS:

Central Deanery - On Wednesday, April 30 Mtr. Kary, the Dean of the Central Deanery met with Kate, Sam, Sandy and Don to get better acquainted and discuss all ways St. Paul’s is and can provide outreach in our community. Everyone felt it was a beneficial meeting!

May 3 – The Consecration of Bishop-elect Amy Dafler Meaux as the IX Bishop of the Diocese of West Missouri at Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral in Kansas City. Bishops, priests, deacons and lay members of the church will join in this celebration. The consecration is available on-line.

Fr. Mike – We are eager to welcome Fr. Mike back this month! Prayers of thanksgiving for his successful surgery!

Building Updates – The repairs to our church have been finished. Bill found considerable water damage under our stained glass window above the altar (an unexpected surprise) and that has been fixed. Our church insurance money should cover everything.

Our new security system lights have been installed and the system is up and running.

PRAYER LIST:

Healing:

Fr. Mike, Augustus Hockaday, Kirsten Hockaday, Kitty, Tina, Don, Therese Hopkins, Kathy, Steve Sheline, Olivia Lim, Mark, Keith, Ruana, Becky, Destiny’s grandmother

Cancer:

Heather C., Christy, Pat, Micheal, Cindy McAvoy, Rev. Jenny Ketner, Debbie M., Suzanne, Herb Johnson, Barb Chambers, Ruana, David Scott, Sylvia England

Comfort, Strength, and Peace:

Gail Cloutte, Pat Decker, Kathy and Mike, Christy and Diane, Christopher, Connie and David Scott, Zaha, Steve Sheline, Becky, Marie Hopkins, Linda C., Laurisa, Rick (hearing)

Departed:

Donna Sheline, Judy Mason Edwards, Harding Braun, Anne Spicer, Cathy Shook, Mary Kampling, Jim Jacobs, Pope Francis

Others:

Peace in the world, those devastated by natural disasters, those facing personal challenges, the selection of a new pope for the Roman Catholic Church

Thanksgiving:

Family and friends, St. Paul’s, God’s many blessings

BIRTHDAYS

14-Diane Dungey

ANNIVERSARIES

1-Diane Dungey & Christy Tumberger

