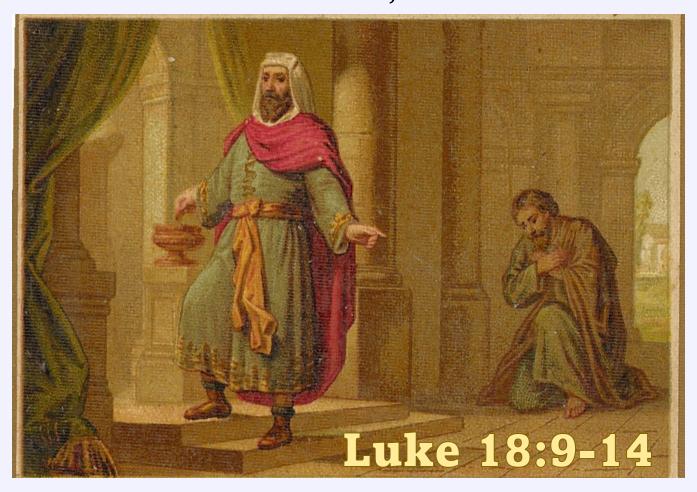
St. Paul's Episcopal Church 20th Sunday after Pentecost October 26, 2025

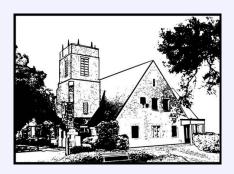


To All who are weary and need rest;
To All who are lowly and want friendship;
To All who mourn and need comfort;
To all who pray and all who do not, but ought;
To All who sin and need a Savior, and to whomsoever will come...
The Church opens the door and says in the name of the Master

Welcome to St. Paul's

The Rt. Rev. C. Andrew Doyle, Bishop of Texas

2025 VESTRY
Senior Warden –
Rebecca Rutledge
Junior Warden – Ray Hancock
Clerk - Bill Smith
Arlene Howland
Jay Todd Cleaver
Joe Maglothin
Anne Breitenstein
Organist/Choir Director–
Don Ball, Jr.
Parish Administrator
Kelly Guillot



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Liturgy of the Word 8:00am
Holy Eucharist 10:00am
Also shown Live Stream on Facebook.
Office hours Monday-Thursday
9:00-3:00pm
Baptism, Confirmation or Wedding:
Contact the Church office
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20th Sunday after Pentecost Liturgy of the Word

The service is in the *Book of Common Prayer* (BCP), a blue book. Hymns are in *The Hymnal*, a maroon book. Hymn numbers beginning with "S" are at the front of *The Hymnal*. Or LEV, Lift Every Voice and Sing II Hymnal Or Renew Hymnal

Officiant: The Rev. Margaret Light **Homilist:** The Rev. Margaret Light

The Liturgy of the Word

Processional Hymn

My God, how wonderful thou art

The Hymnal 643

Opening Acclamation

The Book of Common Prayer **p. 355**

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

OFFICIANT: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

OFFICIANT: 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.

All: Gloria #S-280



The Collect of the Day

OFFICIANT: The Lord be with you. PEOPLE: And also with you.

OFFICIANT: Let us pray.

Collect of the day **ALL: Amen.**

(See Readings Insert)

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Please be seated.

The First Lesson

READER: A reading from the Book of Sirah 35:12-17 (See Readings Insert)

READER: The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm:

READER: The Psalm appointed for today is Psalm 84:1-6 (See Readings Insert)

We will read responsively by whole verse.

The Second Lesson:

READER: A reading from the second Letter of Saint Paul to Timothy (See Readings Insert)

READER: The Word of the Lord. PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

Please Stand

Gradual Hymn Pass me not, O Gentle Savior LEV 139

OFFICIANT: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

PEOPLE: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel: Luke (See Readings Insert)

After the Gospel

DEACON: The Gospel of the Lord. PEOPLE: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

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 worshipped 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

(See Readings Insert)

Confession of Sin

The Book of Common Prayer p. 360

The Deacon or Celebrant says.

Leader: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People Most merciful God,

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.

and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Officiant: Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace

The Book of Common Prayer p. 360

(All stand.)

OFFICIANT: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

PEOPLE: And also with you.

Announcements

The Offertory

OFFICIANT: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

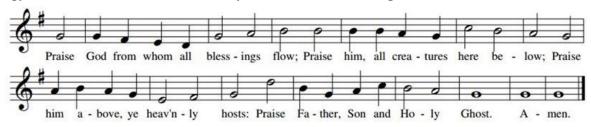
Offertory Hymn

Just as I am, without one plea

LEV 137

Doxology

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow



OFFICIANT: And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

OFFICIANT AND PEOPLE:

The Lord's Prayer

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.

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 364

The Closing Collects:

OFFICIANT: A Collect for Sunday: O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN.

The Closing Hymn: O God, our help in ages past The Hymnal **680**

The Dismissal

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

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Indaba Bible Study

Indaba is an African Zulu Cultural process of mutual listening and understanding. This method of Bible Study was introduced by the African Delegation to the 2008 Lambeth Conference.

- Following an opening prayer, one person in a group reads a passage of scripture and then invites another person to identify a word or phrase that captures their attention. That person then invites another to follow suit until all have had an opportunity to share or pass.
- A second person reads the passage from a different translation and invites someone else to identify where the passage touched his or her life today. The invitation is extended to another until all have shared or passed.
- A third person reads the passage from a different translation and invites someone else to respond to these questions: What does God want me to do or be? How does God want me to change? The invitation is extended to another until all have shared or passed.
- To conclude, the group forms a circle, holding hands and one person initiates the prayer, saying "I thank God today for . . ." and "I ask God today for . . ." This continues with responses of thanks and requests around the circle.

The initiator begins the Lord's Prayer and all join in.

Indaba requires NO advance study of the scriptures. Initially, we will be selecting one of the Lectionary readings for Sunday.

We are glad that you are worshipping with us today!
"I was glad when they said to me, "'Let us go to the house of the Lord.'" Ps 122:1
Be thoughtful, be silent, be reverent, for this is the house of God.

THE WEEK AHEAD Sunday, October 26 Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost Liturgy of the Word, with Deacon Margaret Light 8:00 a.m. Choir Practice 9:00 a.m. 9:15 a.m. Indaba Bible Study Liturgy of the Word, with Deacon Margaret Light 10:00 a.m. Breakfast Bunch will meet at 9:00am at IH 10 Diner. **Tuesday**, October 28 Art Class at 9:30am this week. Wednesday, October 29 Wednesday, October 29 The Chosen, Movie at 6:00pm in the parish hall. Thursday, October 30 Game Group at 10:00am with Teri Duos Twenty first Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, November 2 Liturgy of the Word, with Deacon Margaret Light 8:00 a.m. Choir Practice 9:00 a.m.

Feast Days:

9:15 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

October 28 St. Simon & St. Jude, Apostles

WELCOME VISITORS!

Holy Eucharist, Rite II with Mother Meg

Indaba Bible Study

We are glad you are here! Please sign the visitor's book located in the back of the sanctuary. Let us know how we can make your experience at St. Paul's more joyful. You can call our office at 409-883-2969 or e-mail us at stpauls@stpaulsorangetx.com.

20th Sunday after Pentecost	21st Sunday after Pentecost
October 26, 2025	November 2, 2025
Lectors / Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors / Eucharistic Ministers
10:00AM 1st Reading and Psalm	10:00AM 1st Reading and Psalm
Sirah 35:12-17	Isaiah 1:10-18
Jeremiah 14:7-10, 1-22	Psalm 32:1-8
Psalm 84:1-6	
Ruth Hancock	
EM 2 nd Readings, Prayers, Chalice	EM 2 nd Readings, Prayers, Chalice
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18	2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12
Arlene Howland	,
Gospel: Luke 18:9-14	
Deacon Margaret Light	Gospel: Luke 19:1-10
	Deacon Margaret Light
	Rev. Meg Lovejoy
Acolytes: Sr. Acolytes	Acolytes: Sr. Acolytes
Vestry Person: Bill Smith	Vestry Person: Arlene Howland
Ushers:	Ushers: David & Myra Michaelis
Altar Guild: Bonnie Blanchard	Altar Guild: Ray & Ruth Hancock
Anne Breitenstein	Bill Smith
Sherlon Jones	
Haley Morris	
Allison Maglothin	
Flower Guild:	Flower Guild: Pat Geis

St. Paul's members would like to eat supper on Tuesday Nov 4. at Blue Moon Cajun Cafe.

Everyone is welcome to come. If you have any questions, you can email me at stpauls@stpaulsorangetx.com or 409-883-2969.

Welcome new
visitors!
Thank you for visiting
St. Paul's.
We hope you enjoyed
the service.
Please sign the visitors
book located in the
back of the church.

Happy Birthday

Light, Margaret	10/03	
Jarmon, Lillian	10/03	
Guillot, Kelly	10/10	
Hurst, Rosie	10/16	
Reeves, Eric	10/19	
Bromley-Houseman, Mallory	10/26	
Denosowicz, Mr. Paul	10/27	
Quebodeux, Colby	10/28	
Hall, Joyce	10/29	
Stutes, Mrs. Donna (Peterson)		
	10/30	
Hall, Miles Joseph	10/31	

Happy Anniversary

Price, Stephen & Julie 10/02 Hollier, Robert & Amber 10/20 Allen, Fred & Sabine Lamar 10/21 Maglothin, Joseph & Allison 10/27 Darby, Craig & Heather 10/29

On Sunday November 9 is
Invite a Veteran Day
St. Paul has invited the City of Refuge. If you invite a veteran, please let Becky know how many you are inviting. We will have a luncheon in the parish hall after the service for them.

Loose plate offerings for October will be for Outreach to be given to the City of Refuge in November. Our goal is a \$1000.00 and we have reached \$381.00. Thank you for your donation. If you write a check please make a note on the memo line that it is for Outreach.