

St. Paul's Episcopal Church
The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost ~ Proper 17
August 28, 2011

The Word of God

Prelude

Rule Beasley

The Opening Hymn

Take my life and let it be

Hymnal 707

Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love;
Take my heart it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.

1.

Take my voice and let me sing always, only for my King.
Take my intellect, and use every power as thou shalt choose.
Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.
Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

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2. *Celebrant*

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

3. *People*

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. 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.**

Song of Praise

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**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name;
increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through
Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

The First Reading

Exodus 3:1-15

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground."

He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the LORD said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt."

But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain." But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations."

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

Psalms 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c *Confitemini Domino*

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1 Give thanks to the LORD and call upon his Name; * **make known his deeds among the peoples.**
2 Sing to him, sing praises to him, * **and speak of all his marvelous works.**
3 Glory in his holy Name; * **let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.**
4 Search for the LORD and his strength; * **continually seek his face.**
5 Remember the marvels he has done, * **his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,**
6 O offspring of Abraham his servant, * **O children of Jacob his chosen.**
23 Israel came into Egypt, * **and Jacob became a sojourner in the land of Ham.**
24 The LORD made his people exceedingly fruitful; * **he made them stronger than their enemies;**
25 Whose heart he turned, so that they hated his people, * **and dealt unjustly with his servants.**
26 He sent Moses his servant, * **and Aaron whom he had chosen.**
45c **Hallelujah!**

The Second Reading

Romans 12:9-21

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.

Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
 All who dwell in dark and sin, My hand will save.
 I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
 Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?
Refrain Here I am Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.
 I will go, Lord, if you lead me, I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain,
 I have wept for love of them, They turn away.
 I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love alone.
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? *Refrain*

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.
 I will set a feast for them, My hand will save.
 Finest bread I will provide, Till their hearts be satisfied.
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? *Refrain*

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The Gospel

Matthew 16:21-28

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

People The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily

The Reverend Janet Fullmer

Silence

The Nicene Creed

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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.

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. *Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world; for all victims of violence and intolerance;
for all places of unrest and need;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Katharine, our Presiding Bishop, Nedi, our Bishop, for Janet, our Rector, and Stephen, our Deacon;
for Marilyn Roth and her Discernment Committee; and for St. Patrick's, Enterprise;

For all who serve God in the Church and the world.

In our congregational cycle of prayer, we pray for Jerry Browne, Sharon Norris, Jim Shinn, Mike Fowler,
Anne Frazier. We pray for all special needs and concerns of this congregation.

The People add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

The People add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name forever and ever.

We pray for Charles Hartmann and all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal
kingdom.

The People add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence.

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown, things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Celebrant concludes with the absolution.

The Peace *Please stand*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Announcements, Thanksgivings and Celebrations of Life

This quarter, Thank offerings are designated for HAVEN- Help Against Violent Encounters Now

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

Sam Woolsey and Rule Beasley

The Doxology 8:00: *All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee.*

*Hymnal 380- 10:00: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

Eucharistic Prayer A

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 God 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.... 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:

The Sanctus 8:00 Said:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes
in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

10:00 Sung- WLP 858:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes

in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

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:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

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 forever. **AMEN.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

8:00

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

10:00- S154

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

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Holy Food for Holy People.

We encourage everyone to come forward to receive the bread and wine-grape juice or gluten free bread are available-or blessing.

This is the table of the Lord, and God's food and presence are for all.

For private intercessory prayer for healing for yourself or others, please go to the station at back of the nave during communion.

The Communion Hymn

Ubi Caritas et amor

WLP 831

Ubi caritas et amor; ubi caritas, Deus ibi est.

Where true love abides, God is there; where there is true love, God is dwelling there.

Words: Latin, 8C

We are standing on Holy Ground

Handout

This is Holy Ground- we're standing on Holy Ground;
for The Lord is present and where He is, is Holy.

This is Holy Ground- we're standing on Holy Ground;
for The Lord is present and where He is, is Holy.

*Chorus: We are standing on Holy Ground- and I know that there are angels all around.
Let us praise Jesus now- we are standing in His presence on Holy Ground.*

These are holy hands- God's given us holy hands;
He works through these hands, and so these hands are Holy.

These are holy hands- God's given us holy hands;
He works through these hands, and so these hands are Holy. *Chorus*

Christopher Beatty – CCLI Lic# 2949699

The Postcommunion Prayer *Please stand.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Blessing

The Closing Hymn

I have decided to follow Jesus

LEVAS 136

I have decided to follow Jesus; I have decided to follow Jesus;
I have decided to follow Jesus; No turning back, no turning back.

Though no one join me, still I will follow; Though no one join me, still I will follow;
Though no one join me, still I will follow; No turning back, no turning back.

The world behind me, the cross before me; The world behind me, the cross before me;
The world behind me, the cross before me; No turning back, no turning back.

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The Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God!**

The Postlude

Rule Beasley

Servers~

Celebrant: The Rev. Janet Fullmer; Deacon: The Rev. Stephen Schafroth;

Worship Leader: Dewanda Clark; Eucharist Minister: Ron Fullmer;

Lector: 8:00- Jenny Curtis, 10:00- Rosemary Ross;

Prayers of the People: 8:00-Open, 10:00-Don Dickinson;

Piano: Rule Beasley; Altar Guild: Kim McCullough, Mary Ellen Lowe; Greeters: Kirby Family;

*Flowers: In loving memory of Julia Ramsey, given by her parents, Jim and Nancy Ramsey,
and her brothers, Mike and Bill; Coffee Hosts: Sam and Ann Marie Woolsey.*

PLEASE PRAY For our diocese, friends and family:

In our diocesan cycle of prayer: for St. Patrick's, Enterprise.

For Comfort, Healing and Strength: the Hartmann and Reynolds families; Barbee Hodgkins; Don Lewis; Patrick Martin; Jack Howe; Doris and Norm Abrams; Jane Schafroth; and David, PaulaKay and Oliver.

For our Vestry and work groups: Building and Administration: Laurance Kerr, Junior Warden; Jill Durow, Pat Fowler, Jenny Curtis, Jerry Frazier, Treasurer; Relationship/Serving: Andrea Booren, Amy McIlvenna, Julie Reynolds, Diane Walworth; Worship/Education: Diane Walworth, Joanne Manciu, Robert Kirby, Julie Reynolds, Monte Dickinson, Senior Warden; and Deb Hucke, Deputy Clerk.

For those serving in the Armed Forces of our Country and for all those who serve and protect us, especially: Kelsey Neubauer, Albert South, Kyle McCullough, Turf McCullough, Kevin Gross, Travis Kennedy, Ben Schloss, Michael Stebbins and Max Turner, Amy and Gavin McIlvenna.

CALENDAR:

<i>Tuesday</i>	Bible Study	1:00 pm	<i>Mill Creek, 3rd floor</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	Eucharist	Noon	<i>Diocesan Chapel</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	Healing Service	Noon	<i>St. Paul's</i>

Readings for Sunday Sept. 4:

Exodus 1:8-2:10; Psalm 124;
Romans 12:1-8; Matthew 16:13-20

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Thanks to all who are contributing supplies and money for supplies for the ST VINCENT de PAUL & THE SALVATION ARMY & 11th ANNUAL BACK TO SCHOOL PROGRAM. We will bless the supplies and those who use them- on September 4 and 11. Let us keep the children, teachers, and schools in our prayers as the new year gets underway!

REMEMBERING- September 11th

is the ten year anniversary of the attacks on this country We will specially remember those who died, those who were involved in rescue and recovery, and those who continue to this day to remember, grieve, reconcile, forgive, seek solace, and engage in the innumerable range of responses that survivors, rescue and caregivers, friends and family continue to negotiate. If you wish to bring a remembrance of that day and its aftermath, we will bless and honor it, as well.

SUNDAY, September 18, is RALLY SUNDAY! Let us prepare to kick off the fall with a gathering of all the groups and activities at St. Paul's. We'll have food, tables with information and people to answer questions, or point you in the direction you need to find the activity or person you're looking for.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY- Work is ongoing at Janeal's Habitat House: 2419 E. 16th & Thompson. Workdays are Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 8:30 to 12:30. There is a job for all skills and abilities, you can come for an hour or the day, and water and snacks are provided. Check out the web site for photos as the work progresses. See John Adams or Ron Fullmer for more information. So, put on your work clothes and join the very rewarding, and very exciting, fun!

Also Coming up: Sunday September 25- after coffee hour visiting- Plan a Perfect Service! Or, do the next best thing: Dip your toe in the water of **Liturgy 101**. This is a chance to learn the basics of putting together a .service, and then put that learning to work to plan a service for fall. You may sign up for a service or a season: Blessing of the Animals; Advent; Lessons and Carols; Christmas Eve; Epiphany; St. Paul's; Lent; Holy Week; Easter; Pentecost;all of these are in need of thoughtful TLC! It'll be fun! And you won't be left in it alone- we'll do it together. All are welcome- Please Come!

HAITI AND HERE- Or, Rebuilding Haiti.

Haiti continues to struggle to rebuild following the earthquake of 2010. St. Paul's has a strong commitment to Haiti that includes regular mission trips to the School and Church of The Holy Spirit, in Cap Haitien. We also are joining the national and diocesan efforts to demonstrate our support for the people of Haiti by helping to rebuild a symbol of hope, a place that serves as a physical reminder of God's presence and help: the Cathedral complex in Port au Prince.

The Episcopal Church's Rebuild our Church in Haiti campaign notes:

The Episcopal Diocese of Haiti- the largest Diocese in the Episcopal Church- is in ruins. While the people of Haiti struggle to rebuild their nation, Episcopalians are uniting to rebuild our Church in Haiti, beginning at the center.

See <http://www.episcopalchurch.org/HaitiAppeal/>

The campaign asks each Episcopalian to donate \$10.00 for a brick to rebuild the Cathedral complex. If we all will do that, it can be rebuilt! Please donate as you feel you can, and we will join with other to make this tangible, visible, material and vital sign of hope a reality.

VESTRY ORGANIZATION- Vestry news including an organizational chart and *Who's Who* for information, committees, etc; a church *Calendar at a Glance*; pictures, notices of parish events, financial reports, and other sundry items of interest are on the bulletin board, kiosk in the narthex and on the web site. Please check them out!

STEWARDSHIP TIP: Counting Your Blessings Take time each day to reflect on the blessings that God has given you. Challenge yourself to put your change in a jar for each time you feel God blessing you. At the end of the month donate your jar of coins to a project or mission of St Paul's. Start over the next month and pick a new project or mission to support.

Lord, thank you for all of the blessings that I am able to count each day.

Thank you for the opportunity to use my blessings to help others.

St. Paul's is a loving, welcoming Christian community gathered to be Christ's hands and heart in the world.