Mark Your Calendar

October 22nd Celtic Service 6:30 p.m.

October 27th Book Club 7:00 p.m. —
"Remarkably Bright Creatures" by Shelby Van
Pelt

November 2nd—All Saints Day

Annual Soup Sale: Pick up November 7th and 8th.



St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Exton
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Mary Davis, Rector's Warden
Lisa Hartman, Music Minister
Luther Detweiler, Treasurer ~ Greg LeBlanc, Auditor



October 12th, 2025 Eighteenth Season after Pentecost



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The Mission of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Exton

is to create many doors by which people are invited to enter the church and to exercise hospitality by welcoming all persons who seek a closer relationship with the sacred: those who have much faith and those who have little; those who have tried to live their faith and those who have struggled.

Need new POP plus music. Review servers



Winter Coat Drive



St. Paul's congregation, along with Kesher Israel Congregation, is partnering with OCIYN (Our Closet In Your Neighborhood) for a coat drive to collect new and gently used coats and winter accessories for adults and children in need. Your donation will be greatly appreciated! Please drop off your donation in the library in the Lockwood Reilly Building no later than October 19. Thank you!

If you have any questions, contact Sandi Detweiler at (610) 416-6389

Children's Bible Study



On Sundays from 9:45 a.m. to 10:15 a.m., we will be holding a children's bible study for grades 4 and up. The class will be studying the gospel of Mark.

Jim Davis is the Sunday School teacher leading this program, which will be held in the library.

~ St. Paul's Community Outreach ~

Community Garden & Chester County Food Bank

As we move into the fall season, it is time to think about putting our garden to rest in the best condition possible, so that it will be ready for growing come spring. Thank you to those who helped with the Garden Work Party this past Saturday, but there is still much more to do.

There will be two more Garden Work Days scheduled on October 18th and October 25th from 10AM - Noon where we will continue to prepare the beds and the Community Garden infrastructure for the coming winter rest season. Even if you are not a regular garden member, we really could use your help to prepare the garden for next year - No Experience Necessary!!

Continue to pray for our fall crops; we are hoping to start getting some lettuce, collard greens, and turnips from our fall plantings in the next couple of weeks before those beds are put to rest for the season.

The Garden Committee will be having its end of season meeting on November 3rd at 7:00 PM in the Shreiner Classroom and via Zoom. Look for more Zoom information in the coming weeks.

We hope you will join in to discuss this very important Church ministry.

Welcome! We are happy to have you worship with us. Please be sure to ask an usher for a guest information card before you leave today. If you have restless little ones, please make use of the rocking chair and soft toys in the Narthex.

HOLY EUCHARIST

Rite I: 8:00 AM Rite II: 10:30 AM

PRELUDE

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ENTRANCE HYMN

HYMNAL 135

SONGS OF THANKFULNESS AND PRAISE

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Blessed be God, Father and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen

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 his inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord, Amen

GLORIA S280

THE COLLECT

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

~ Children's Chapel Dismissal ~

FIRST READING; A READING FROM Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7

In our Hebrew Bible reading, the prophet Jeremiah offers surprising counsel from Jerusalem to the elders, priests, and prophets now in exile in Babylon. They are to pay no heed to those who predict a speedy end to their captivity and should instead get on with the business of life as best they are able in their new circumstances. The people are to build houses, have families, and seek for the welfare of Babylon. In due course, the Lord will bring them back to Jerusalem, and they are to pray for Jerusalem's well-being in the meanwhile; the time of return is not yet.

These are the words of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah sent from Jerusalem to the remaining elders among the exiles, and to the priests, the prophets, and all the people, whom Nebuchadnezzar had taken into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon.

Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce. Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. Give us ears to hear God's word.

Stewardship Campaign:

As part of our stewardship campaign, we will be meeting in small groups. Groups have already begun meeting. Please use this QR code to sign up for a convenient time.



We would be grateful if you would include our stewardship prayer in your daily prayers:

Creator God, be present with us as we enter a new season of growth for St. Paul's. Give us the courage to ask, "God, what do You want to do through me at St. Paul's?" Fill us with your life-giving and purifying Spirit and recreate us and this space according to your Will. Enlighten our community and show us the way to honor, improve and enhance this sacred place in honor of You. Let St. Paul's Exton continue to be a beacon of Your love, grace, peace, hospitality and community for generations to come. In Your Name, we pray. Amen.



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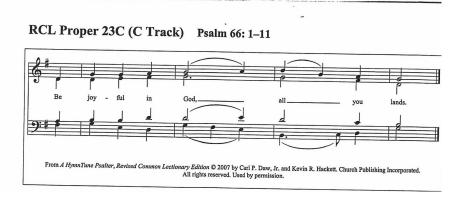
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Psalm 66: 1-11

CANTOR Mary Davis



Refrain: Be joyful in God all you lands.

1 Be joyful in God, all you lands; * sing the glory of his Name; sing the glory of his praise.

2 Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! * because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you.

3 All the earth bows down before you, * sings to you, sings out your Name."

4 Come now and see the works of God, * how wonderful he is in his doing toward all people.

5 He turned the sea into dry land, so that they went through the wa

so that they went through the water on foot, * and there we rejoiced in him.

6 In his might he rules for ever;

his eyes keep watch over the nations; * let no rebel rise up against him.

7 Bless our God, you peoples; *

make the voice of his praise to be heard;

- 8 Who holds our souls in life, * and will not allow our feet to slip.
- 9 For you, O God, have proved us; * you have tried us just as silver is tried.
- 10 You brought us into the snare; * you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.
- 11 You let enemies ride over our heads; we went through fire and water; * but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.

SECOND READING: A READING from 2 Timothy 2: 8-15

In this reading, Paul bids Timothy to be a faithful worker, reminding himself and others of Jesus' resurrection and the new life that is to be known with him. Although Paul is shut up in prison, the gospel is free in the world. The apostle reflects on his own sufferings and encourages his younger associate in his role of leadership. Especially should he warn his people to avoid disputes over words. The verses which begin, "If we have died with him, we will also live with him", seem part of an early Christian hymn.

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David-- that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful-for he cannot deny himself.

Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ru-

COMMUNION

Everyone who is hungry for spiritual food is welcome to be fed at this altar.

COMMUNION HYMN

HYMNAL 328

DRAW NIGH AND TAKE THE BODY OF THE LORD

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Almighty and ever living God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN

HYMNAL 397

NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD

POSTLUDE

ORGAN

FANFARE FOR THE COMMON MAN

AARON COPELAND

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 pray:

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

FRACTION ANTHEM

HYMNAL S161

ins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. Give us ears to hear God's word. Amen.

Sequence Hymn

HYMNAL 411

O BLESS THE LORD, MY SOUL (VV 1-3 before Gospel, VV 3-4 after)

GOSPEL READING: Luke 17: 11-19

On the way to Jerusalem, Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke Glory to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

Rev. Maxine Dornemann

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: 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

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

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.

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,

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

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 Paul and 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.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him 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 you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

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.

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 our of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God has made us a people of hope. Our hope is in God and our help comes from God. Since God promises to make all things new, let us offer our cares and concerns to God, saying: O God is our hope, hear our prayer.

Gracious Creator, ruler of the universe, help us to be mindful and ever grateful for your many blessings and acts of mercy. Guide us through the leadership of our Presiding Bishop Sean, our Diocesan Bishop Daniel, all Priests, Deacons and Lay Ministers especially those guiding the ministry of the Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church for the Advancement of Christianity. Guide the ministry that is being done in our companion Diocese of Guatemala. Guide us that we may reflect your loving compassion and grace throughout creation. O God who is our hope:

Lord, hear our prayer.

You tell us to build houses and live in them, to plant gardens and eat the produce that our gardens produce, for in the welfare of our homes we will find welfare and be strengthened to serve you. Enlighten our leaders and all in authority to forego the appearance of piety, the abuse of privilege, and the selfishness of power, that they may lead generously on behalf of the humble. O God who is our hope:

Lord, hear our prayer.

You see when the poor and humble give generously out of their poverty and when the privileged and wealthy contribute out of their abundance. During this season of stewardship, Gracious Lord, grant us the wisdom and generosity to use our resources wisely in service to you. Bless this community to be a haven of your love and generosity. We pray to our God, saying:

Lord, hear our prayer.

O Lord, you are righteous in all your ways. Wherever in this world the innocent cry out for justice, we pray that you hear their cries and respond to their needs. Make us quick to ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty and open our eyes to see and be good stewards of all your marvelous works. We pray to our God, saying:

Lord, hear our prayer.

You love the humble and needy. Be with all for whom we pray, especially those on our prayer list including Gary, Connor Munday, Laurie Grashof, Gayle, Debbie Markowitz, Billie, Kim Brown, Kathy Guilin, Cassie Bowers, Kate Travers, Kat Harting, Jennifer, Christian, Iris, Amy, Mark Emmons, Dawn Lowe, sister of Beth Chamberlain, and Trent Patrick McDonald, brother of Shane McDonald, for whom the gates of larger life have opened.

I invite your own petitions at this time, either silently or aloud. We pray that those we have loved and lost may rest will all who have died in the hope of resurrection, we pray to our God saying:

Lord, hear our prayer.

Almighty and gracious God, you care for all whom you have made and you invite us into your life of abundant charity. Give us generous and compassionate hearts, that we may live in unity with one another in the Spirit of Jesus Christ our Savior, to whom we give glory, forever and ever. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sings against God and our neighbor.

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, to the glory of your Name. Amen

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

THE PEACE

In the name of our crucified and risen Lord; The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY

CHOIR ANTHEM

GOD, YOU ARE MY GOD

TOM FETTKE

DOXOLOGY

HYMNAL 380 (v. 3)