St. Paul's Lutheran Church Worship Sunday, January 16, 2022 – Second Sunday after Epiphany Setting One of the ELW

Prelude - Chorale prelude on "O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright" by Johann Pachelbel

GATHERING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

- P In the name of the Father, and of the ₱ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.
- P Most merciful God,
- C we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.
- C Amen.
- P In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ₱ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

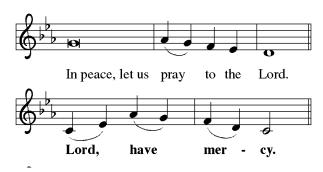
Gathering Song - O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright! (verses 1-4)

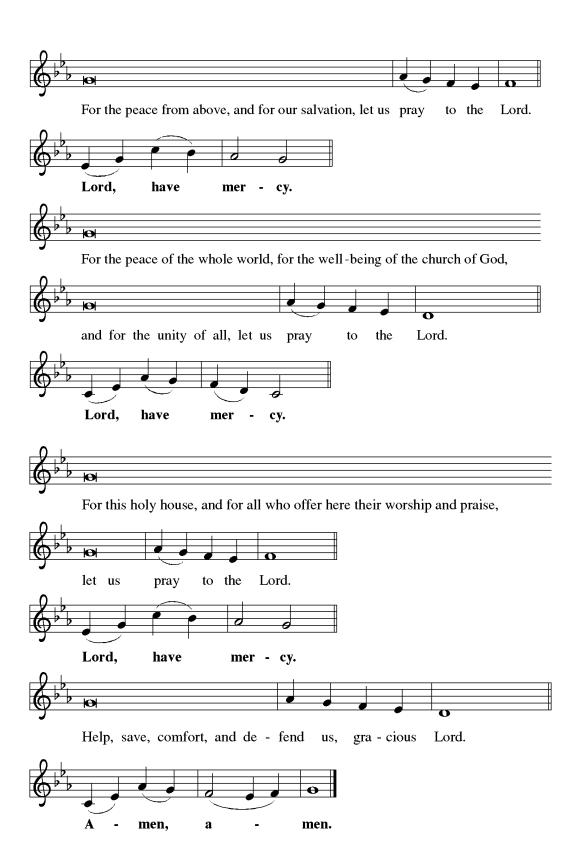
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Greeting

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.

KYRIE





CANTICLE OF PRAISE – THIS IS THE FEAST



- P The Lord be with you
- C And also with you
- P Let us pray

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

WORD Children's Message

First Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5

The people's return to Judah after the exile was marred by economic and political troubles. Nevertheless, the prophet declares, Jerusalem and Judah will be restored. God will rejoice over Jerusalem as a bridegroom rejoices over the bride, and the people are called to the celebration.

¹For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. ²The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. ³You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. ⁴You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. ⁵For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Psalm: Psalm 36:5-10

spoken responsively by verse

⁵Your love, O LORD, reaches ¹ to the heavens, and your faithfulness ¹ to the clouds. ⁶Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like ¹ the great deep; you save humankind and ani-¹ mals, O LORD. ⁷How priceless is your ¹ love, O God!

All people take refuge under the shadow | of your wings.

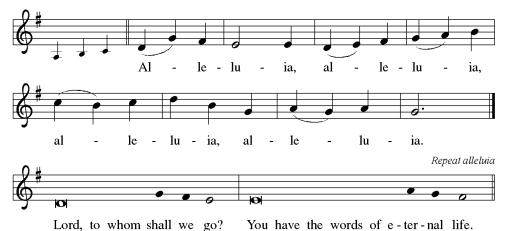
⁸They feast upon the abundance ¹ of your house; you give them drink from the river of ¹ your delights.
⁹For with you is the ¹ well of life, and in your light ¹ we see light.
¹⁰Continue your lovingkindness to ¹ those who know you, and your favor to those who are ¹ true of heart.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

The congregation at Corinth experienced division as people were comparing their spiritual gifts, thinking some to be superior to others. Paul invites this fractured community to trust that God's Holy Spirit has gifted them all perfectly for their mission together.

¹Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.



Gospel Acclamation

Gospel: John 2:1-11

Turning water to wine at the wedding at Cana is described as the first of Jesus' signs. Through many such epiphanies, Jesus reveals that he bears God's creative power and joyful presence into the world.

¹On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. ⁹When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom ¹⁰and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." ¹¹Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day - Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

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APOSTLES' CREED I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The prayers are prepared locally for each occasion. The following examples may be adapted or used as appropriate.

The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all that God has made.

A brief silence.

By your Spirit, activate within your church gifts of faith, healing, and prophecy. Unite those who profess your name across congregations, denominations, and geographic boundaries. Open our hearts to recognize and celebrate surprising miracles. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Your creation reflects your generosity. Bless farmers, migrant farmworkers, orchard-keepers, ranchers, and all who tend the abundance of the land. Protect food and water sources from destruction, that all can eat and drink and be satisfied. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

By your Spirit, grant wisdom, knowledge, and discernment to those who hold leadership positions at any level. Direct policymakers toward compassionate decisions that build up safe and just communities. Lead all authorities in seeking and serving the common good. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

As Jesus provided generously in a moment of need, provide generous gifts of healing for those in need this day (*especially*). Provide abundantly for all who are hungry or thirsty, all seeking shelter, and all who seek peace. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

You see us for who we are and you delight in us. Embrace those struggling with self-worth, wrestling with self-identity, or facing significant life transition. Remind us that nothing can separate us from your love. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Compassionate God, you proclaim your love and mercy. Comfort any struggling with treatment and care, and others in need (*especially*), Barbara, Jan, Tony, JoAnn, Janet, Joyce, Ida, Phyllis, Bob, Ellie, Barbara, Naomi, Larry, and others we may name aloud or quietly in our hearts. Merciful God,

receive our prayer.

You bless us through the spiritual gifts of the saints who have gone before us. We give thanks for the life of Martin Luther King Jr. and all who have modeled the way of courageous faith *(especially)*. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

PEACE

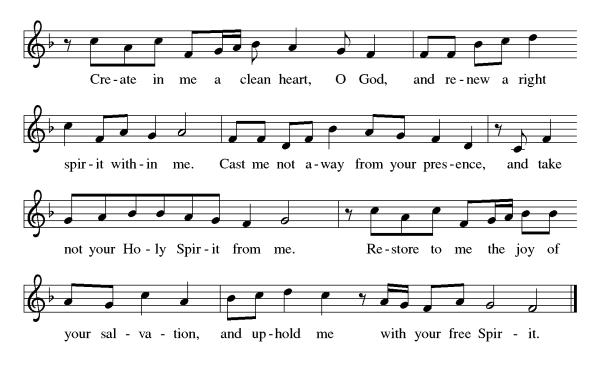
- P The peace of Christ be with you always.
- C And also with you.

MEAL

Offering

Offertory - Alla Siciliana from Organ Concerto, Op. 4, No. 5 by Georg Friedrich Handel

Offertory - Create in Me a Clean Heart



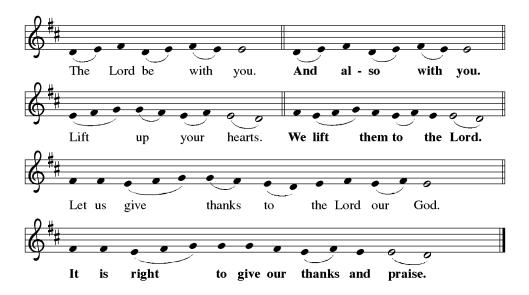
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Offertory Prayer

- P Let us pray together
- C God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

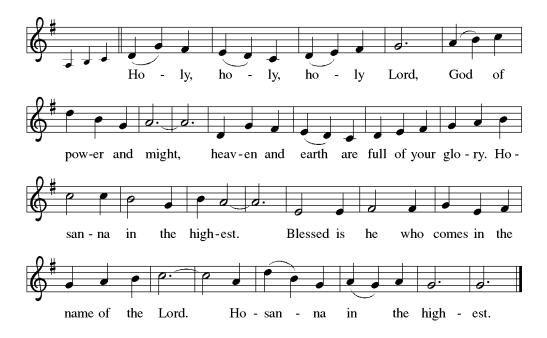
GREAT THANKSGIVING



Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. By the leading of a star he was shown forth to all nations; in the waters of the Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son; and in the miracle of water turned to wine he revealed your glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy Holy Holy

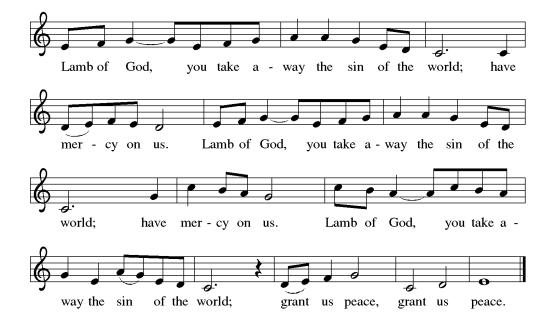


Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all. In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me. Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory. Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

- A Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.
- C 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, forever and ever. Amen.
- P Come to the banquet for all is ready.

COMMUNION SONG – LAMB OF GOD



COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you. And each person may respond Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN - One Bread, One Body

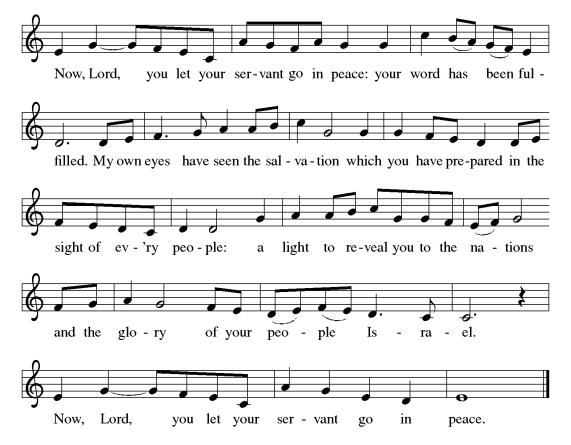
POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

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C Amen.

SONG AFTER COMMUNION



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God...

- A We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.

OR

O God, we give you thanks...

- A O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your Spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.

OR

God of abundance...

- A God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

SENDING

P The Lord bless you and keep you.The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C Amen

SENDING HYMN – In Christ Called to Baptize

DISMISSAL

- A Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- C We will. Thanks be to God.

Postlude - Chorale prelude on "Alle Menschen müssen sterben" (Songs of Thankfulness and Praise) by Johann Pachelbel

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Altar Flowers – If you would like to make a recognition through a request for Altar Flowers, please stop by the credenza under the TV monitor in the atrium. Sign up for the day(s) you would like to request, pick up an envelope and form in the lower box and turn in your request form(s) which should indicate your announcement for the bulletin, and payment (\$40) at least one week in advance. If you have any questions, please speak with a staff person.

Prayer of the Church (Members): Barbara Hadden, Jan Franzen, Tony Perrotte, JoAnn Bowman, Janet Ravert, Joyce Veazey, Ida Elliott, Phyllis Jenkins, Bob and Ellie DeVries, Barbara Shade, Naomi Watson, Larry Hawley

Prayer List Changes – If you have names to **add**, or **delete at any time**, email staff, or call the office.

Prayer of the Church (Friends): Kay Matthews [Tony's mother], Robert Meissner [Tony's uncle], and Dian and Gina Piazza [friends] (by Tony and Penni Perrotte); Laura Williams (friend of Amanda Anderson), Bill

Lopatta (uncle of Amanda Anderson), Jane L (friend of Robin Winfree), Tim and Sue Williams (friends of the Foremans), Phillip Idom & Warner Ettinger (friends of the Perrotte's), Pamela Kildahl (sister of Wendy Waugh), Sara Russell (sister of Anna Snyder), Susan Freeman, her husband Don and daughter Emma (by Joan Pepper), Sayge Lindsay (grandson of Alta Lindsay), Susan Roberts (friend of Kathy Anderson), Donore Lantz (friend of Judy Schlegel), MJ Chevalier (sister of Marcy Brown), Roketta Hudgins (mother of Greg Hudgins), Gay Reed (friend of Robin Winfree), Sally Midyette (mother of Kathy Anderson), Jacki and Steven and daughters (friends of Joan Pepper), Zach Maier (cousin of Kathy Anderson), Lois Horn (friend of Penni Perrotte), Marti Casalino (friend of Marcia Redman), David Deardorff (cousin of Marlene Coulter), Virginia Hinshaw (great-grandmother of Kayden and Hunter Hinshaw), Gad Kainer, Eric Tabert (nephew of Deb Tabert), Dean Greg Jones of Duke Divinity, Chuck Noll (friend of the Waugh's), Armenia and Artsakh (friends of Judy Schlegel), William and Barbara Wilson (parents of Bill Wilson), Linda Leslie (mother of Sean Slane), Paul DeVries (brother of Bob DeVries), Twila Dahl (sister-in-law of Bill Dahl and Martha Dahl), Gini Rinkus (friend of the Dominicks), Betty Sue Dickerson and son Barry Dickerson (friends of the church), Elaine Williamson (sister-in-law of Greg and Jeanna Hudgins), Clarence Schulze (father of Sharon Schulze), Paul (son-in-law of Jan Huntley), Mary Bader, Cynthia Sund (grandmother of Megan Cunningham), Amy Natzle (friend of Megan Cunningham), Ruth Parker (aunt of Pat Casper), Jane Busch (sister-in-law of Audrey Busch), Karen Salotti (friend of Diana Dominick), Richard Dominick (brother of Ted Dominick), Burr Hasselbeck, Jack Craig (uncle of Pat Casper)

The Church Office will be closed on Monday, January 17 for Martin Luther King holiday.

The Preschool, together with the Slane Family, is collecting new or gently used children's books for Book Harvest, a local organization that supports literacy in Durham. Books should be children's books (ages 0-18) and cannot include textbooks or religious books. Books can be deposited into the marked box at the main entrance to the church by **Sunday, January 16th**.

Annual Reports! All committees and groups which meet at St. Paul's are required to submit a report each year which outlines what your committee/group accomplished in that year. **If you did not meet** during the past year, or modified your group, you may state how the pandemic has affected it. You should include the purpose of your committee, as well as the membership. Reports are to be submitted to Susan Esposito by **Monday, January 17** -- they can be emailed to <u>admin@stpaulsdurham.org</u>, or dropped in her mailbox, no particular format as long as it is readable.

On the First Sunday of each month, we will offer drive through communion at the rear entrance of the church from 11:30 am until noon.

On Sunday mornings, we want to be sure our handicapped persons have accessible seating in the sanctuary. We have therefore added reserved signs to three of our handicap rows for their use.

Nurturing Committee – Be-Friend – The Be-Friend branch of the nurturing Committee has sprouted. The flowers on the Caring Tree (in the narthex) have blossomed into bold Words of Hope. These are supportive scriptures that Nurturing Committee members and others have pointed to as meaningful. Also, in the basket unit by the Caring Tree are items put together to add a smile as you grow and develop a new and/or an already up and running relationship. Look for the clear portfolio Be-Friend Idea Starter Kit as well as card making and other supplies in this place.

Join the Coffee Hour on Mondays on Zoom from 10-11.

Topic: Coffee Hour, Time: 10:00-11:00 am on Mondays Join Zoom Meeting: https://zoom.us/j/91351103753?pwd=WVVCRlgrSUhhLzJWN3pPYnlyL25LZz09 Meeting ID: 913 5110 3753 – Password: 292680

Croasdaile Worship – The Croasdaile worship in January will be Thursday, January 27, 2022, the Fourth Thursday of the month, at 2:00 pm.

"By Heart" – Vicar Mac is leading a study of "By Heart," a historical, theological, and spiritual deep-dive into Luther's Small Catechism. Classes meet on Wednesdays, at 7:00 pm in Trinity Hall or on Zoom: <u>https://Lenoir-Rhyne.zoom.us/j/98437980374?pwd=Z0IUQ0I2UFRQTE9yMWVMa2F4NGVFUT09</u>. Email Vicar Mac (vicar@stpaulsdurham.org) with questions. Thursday Morning Bible Study at 10:30 AM – will be in Trinity Hall and over Zoom. We are studying the book: Mere Christianity by C. S. Lewis. We will send emails if any study guides are needed. Here is the zoom information. Topic: Pastor's Bible Study Time: Thursday mornings at 10:30 AM Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89526693517?pwd=UVI2SldvRTVtYTdQOHFEa2N1THREdz09 Meeting ID: 895 2669 3517 -- Passcode: 727541 One tap mobile +16465588656,,89526693517#,,,,*727541# US (New York) +13017158592,,89526693517#,,,,*727541# US (Washington DC) Find your local number: https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kjXLtywXY

St. Paul's Readers meet at 3 pm on the third Thursday of the month with one change -- this month (so far), we will be meeting on Zoom. Here is the Zoom link: <u>https://us02</u> web.zoom.us/i/88534578001?pwd=N3d1OWplUiZualptO1h6ZDdCVFkvdz09

Meeting ID: 885 3457 8001 Passcode: 949493

We welcome all readers – men and women! Contact Katherine Trexler (katherine.m.trexler@gmail.com) with any questions. The January book is Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI by David Frann. The book chronicles one of the most chilling conspiracies in American history. Members of the Osage Nation in the 1920s were the richest people in the world. Then, one by one, they began to be killed off. The newly created FBI was called upon to unravel these mysterious deaths. Barb Shade will lead the discussion on Thursday, January 20.

We have a live link used to view our weekly Sunday morning Worship Services on Sundays at 10:00 AM Here is the link: <u>https://vimeo.com/event/1478223</u>. The live service will be put on the vimeo site after the service is concluded and can be watched at any time. That link is: <u>https://vimeo.com/stpaulsdurham</u> (then choose the service date or event you wish to watch).

Here is a listing of the Sign-Up Genius links we are presently using to accomplish our many needed tasks. Please fill in as you are able. You can bookmark these sites to make it easier to return to them.

- Devotions <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044eabad28a3fd0-daily1</u> Please send your devotions to Vicar Mac Mullins at <u>vicar@stpaulsdurham.org</u>
- Sunday Morning 10:00 AM Worship Tasks <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0944a4a72fa5f58-sunday1</u> Tasks include setting up, lector, worship assistant, sound, altar guild, video, etc.
- Sunday morning 10:00 AM Communion Assistants and Lock-Up https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0944a4a72fa5f58-communion

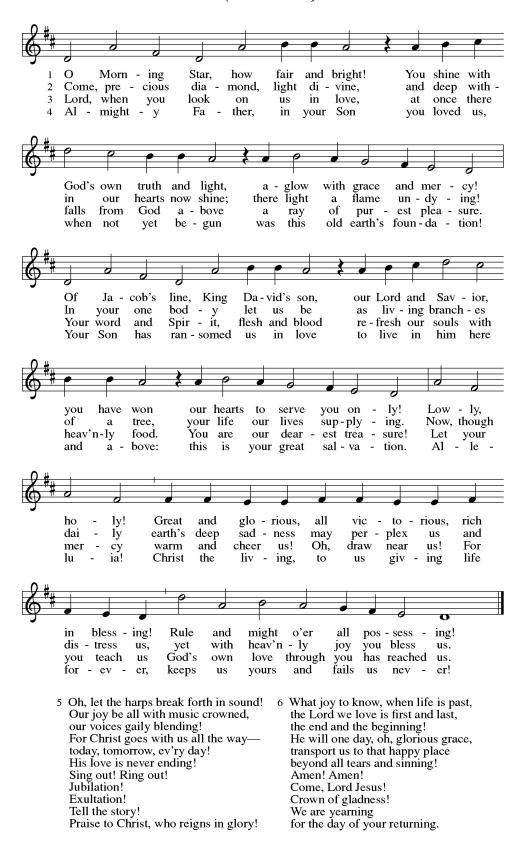
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We are in need of worship assistants! Here is a listing of the Sign-Up Genius links we are presently using to accomplish our many needed tasks. Please fill in as you are able. You can bookmark these sites to make it easier to return to them.

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Gathering Hymn - O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright! (Verses 1-4)

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