

SAINT PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Sharpsburg, Maryland

Rite II

10 May 2026

Holy Eucharist: The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Liturgy of the Word

Prelude: *On Earth Has Dawmed (BWV 629)* by J. S. Bach

Processional Hymn H 405
Opening Acclamation BCP 355
Collect for Purity BCP 355
Gloria H S280

Collect of the Day (*Remain Standing*)

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding; Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

First Lesson (*sit*) Insert
Psalm Insert
Second Lesson Insert
Sequence Hymn (*stand*) H 512
The Gospel Lesson Insert
The Sermon (*sit*)
The Nicene Creed BCP 358
The Prayers of the People, Form IV (*Kneel or Stand*) BCP 388
Confession of Sin BCP 360
The Peace (*Stand*)
Announcements

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God.

The Holy Communion

Offertory: *God The Sculpture Of The Mountains*

Doxology: H 380 st. 3

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B BCP 367
Sanctus H S129
The Lord's Prayer BCP 364
The Breaking of the Bread H S155

Communion of the People of God

All baptized persons may receive holy communion in this church.

Hymn during Communion H 204
The Post-Communion Prayer BCP 365

Benediction and Dismissal

Closing Hymn H 205

The Blessing

Dismissal (*Remain Standing*) BCP 366

Postlude: *Now The Green Blade Rises* by Carl Schalk

Service Participants

Rector The Rev. Connor Newlun
Organist Meya Collings
Chalicer/Acolyte Anne-Marie McCullough/Alyssa Newlun
Greeter Cindy Weaver/Sandy Miner
Lector/Intercessor Justin Bertrand/Anne-Marie McCullough
Camera Operator Michael Arant
Altar Guild Donna Miner

Vestry

2024 - 2026: Heidi Tennant and Tom Wibberley
2025 - 2027: Elyssa Doub, Robbie Shaw and Dante Willis
2026 - 2028: Kendra Harmon and Scott Turner

Leadership

Senior Warden: Sandy Miner
Treasurer: George Ashbaugh
Registrar: Jacob Miner
ECW President: Rebecca Bright-Willis
Altar Flowers: Tim Valerio
Altar Guild: Tim Valerio and Donna Miner

Announcements and Upcoming Events

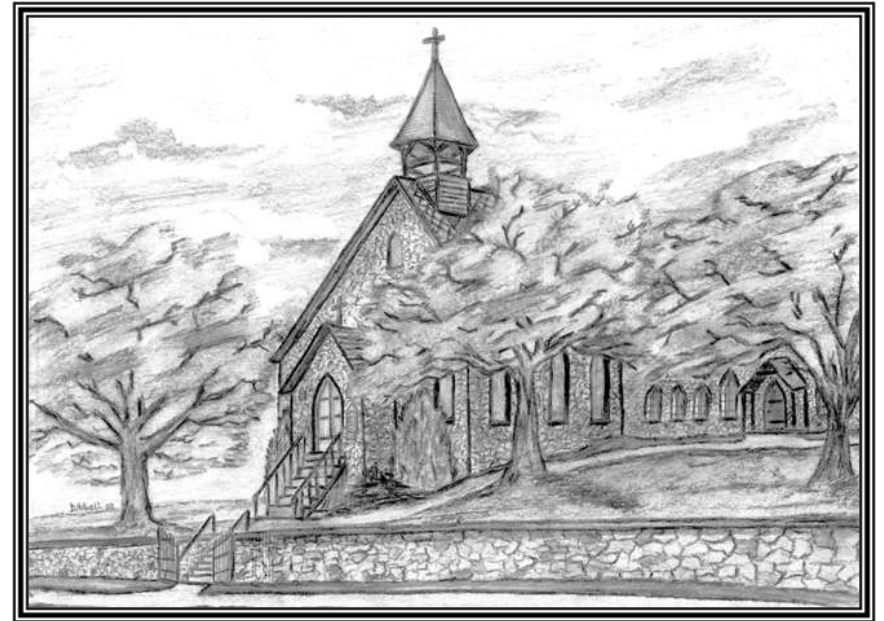
- **Announcements** need to be sent to Jacob Miner admin@stpaulssharpburg.com in writing the Sunday before you want it in the bulletin. This will be even more important June-August while Connor is on sabbatical.
- **Subscribe to our YouTube channel @stpaulssharpburg.** We would like the option to livestream from our YouTube channel. YouTube requires a minimum of 50 subscribers in order to live-stream from our account, we currently have 8. Please subscribe and help us out.
- **St. Paul's will be open for prayer Wednesdays at 5:30. The Way of the Light begins at 6pm.**
- **Community Dinner is May 16.** The theme this time is trivia night, bring a team or join one. Dinner at 5:30 followed by fun and fellowship.
- **Memorial Day Parade May 23!** We are asking for volunteers and donations, sign up sheets are in the parish hall. We need bottled water, soft drinks and snack sized chips.

Our priest is available for pastoral care, visitation to sick and shut-ins, and emergencies. Fr. Connor can be reached by phone at 703-470-9638 or email: priest@stpaulssharpburg.com. The Church is open Thursdays 10:00am – 12:00pm.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church



*Now faith, hope and love abide these three
and the greatest of these is love. 1Cor. 13.13*



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Psalm 66:7-18

- 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.
- 12 I will enter your house with burnt-offerings
and will pay you my vows, *
which I promised with my lips
and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.
- 13 I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts
with the smoke of rams; *
I will give you oxen and goats.
- 14 Come and listen, all you who fear God, *
and I will tell you what he has done for me.
- 15 I called out to him with my mouth, *
and his praise was on my tongue.
- 16 If I had found evil in my heart, *
the Lord would not have heard me;
- 17 But in truth God has heard me; *
he has attended to the voice of my prayer.
- 18 Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer,
* nor withheld his love from me.

1 Peter 3:13-22

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

John 14:15-21

Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

"I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

Scripture Lessons: 6EasterA

Acts 17:22-31

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we too are his offspring.'

Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."