

The Hand of God is My Refuge, Frank Wesley (1923-2002). From Art in the Christian Tradition, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library.

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

CHURCH OF ST. PAUL & THE REDEEMER OCTOBER 22, 2023 | 10:00 AM



A Little About St. Paul & the Redeemer

What kind of church is this?

St. Paul & the Redeemer (SPR) is a community that seeks to mirror the radical hospitality practiced by Jesus, holding together a progressive outlook and a rootedness in the Christian faith. We are woven of different races, economic statuses, cultural backgrounds, faith backgrounds, gender identities, and sexual orientations, and we are strengthened and enriched by each person's story and voice.

Let's Get Connected

Welcome! If you are new, tell us about yourself and get connected to what's happening at St. Paul & the Redeemer.



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Children & Youth at SPR

KidZone (Nursery), Sundays, 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Professionally staffed nursery care is available for children ages 1–4 in our KidZone, located down the southwest stairs. Changing tables are in the downstairs restrooms and the KidZone.

Children's Chapel, Sundays during sermon

During the sermon at the 10:00 service, children from preschool to second grade are invited to a special liturgy in the children's chapel, featuring songs and a Bible story.

Christian Formation

From September through May, we welcome all ages to join our formation (Christian education) gatherings, downstairs from 11:05 to 11:50 AM. See the back of the bulletin for more information about today's offerings.

- Godly Play: Preschool to grade 2
- Junior Youth Group: Grades 3 to 5
- Youth Group: Grades 6 to 12
- Adult Formation: Teens and adults
 High-school youth are welcome to attend either youth group or adult formation.

SPR's Anti-Racism Vision Statement

We strive to become a beloved community that reflects on our own racial identities and recognizes racism and privilege in our church and society; works for justice by building relationships and sustained efforts to heal, reconcile, and seek Christ in each other; and acts to interrupt and dismantle white supremacist structures, transforming ourselves and our church to become a living embodiment of justice and peace.

Bulletin Rubrics

Throughout the bulletin, the congregation is invited to say all **bolded** text aloud. There are also times when it is customary to make the sign of the cross by touching your forehead, chest, left shoulder, and right shoulder. If you wish to do so, the + indicates that.

Giving to SPR

Every dollar you give to SPR supports our ministry to and with our community. You may place cash or a check in the



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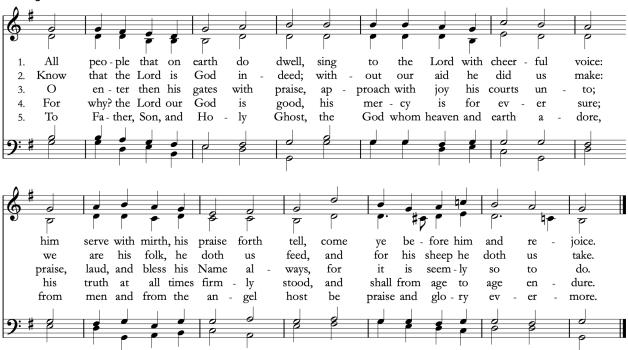
The Hand of God is My Refuge, Frank Wesley. "Frank Wesley was born in Azamgarh, Uttar Pradesh into a fifth-generation Christian family of Hindu and Muslim descent. His paintings reflect this influence and that of the Chughtai school of painting that flourished in India at the turn of the century. Wesley's painting 'Blue Madonna' was used for the first UNICEF Christmas card. He is also known for designing the funeral urn for Mahatma Gandhi's ashes." From Art in the Christian Tradition, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN.

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

Entrance Hymn

All sing.



The Hymnal 1982 #377 "All people that on earth do dwell"

Words: William Kethe (d. 1608?), para. of Psalm 100.

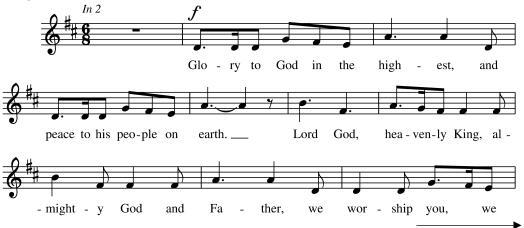
Music: Old 100th, melody from Pseaumes octante trois de David, 1551, alt.; harm. after Louis Bourgeois (ca. 1510-ca. 1561).

Welcome

+ Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Mother of us all.

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

All sing.





Music: Enriching our Music, Vol. 1, from Music for the Holy Eucharist: Rite II, Peter Crisafulli (b. 1946).

The Collect of the Day

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; 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.

Song of Praise

Sung by the Saint Nicholas Choir, led by Megan Cather.

I am the church! You are the church! We are the church together! All who follow Jesus, all around the world! Yes, we're the church together!

1. The church is not a building; the church is not a steeple; the church is not a resting place; the church is a people. (refrain) 2. We're many kinds of people, with many kinds of faces, all colours and all ages, too from all times and places. (refrain)

"I am the church! You are the church!" Music and Words: Richard Avery (b. 1934)

The Lessons

First Reading

A reading from the book of Exodus.

Exodus 33:12-23

Moses said to the Lord, "See, you have said to me, 'Bring up this people'; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.' Now if I have found favor in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people." He said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." And he said to him, "If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth."

The Lord said to Moses, "I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name." Moses said, "Show me your glory, I pray." And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, 'The Lord'; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But," he said, "you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live." And the Lord continued, "See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 99 Dominus regnavit

Choir sings verses 1 & 2, congregation joins where indicated.



- 1 Choir God reigns; let the | people | tremble; *

 God is enthroned upon the cherubim;

 | let the | earth | shake.
- 2 God is | great in | Zion * and is | high ab|ove all | peoples.
- 3 All Let them confess God's Name, which is | great and | awesome; * God | is the | Holy | One.
- 4 "O mighty Ruler, lover of justice,
 you have established equity; *
 you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."
- 5 Choir We proclaim your greatness, O God, and fall | down be-fore your | footstool; * you | are the | Holy | One.
- 6 Moses and Aaron among your priests, and Samuel among those who | call up-on your | Name, * they called upon | you, | and you | answered them.
- 7 All You spoke to them out of the | <u>pillar</u> of | cloud; * they kept your testimonies and the de | crëe | that you | gave them.
- 8 "O Holy God, you answered them in deed; *
 you were a God who forgave them,
 yet punished them for their evil deeds."
- 9 Choir Proclaim the greatness of our God and worship on God's | holy | hill, * for our | God is the | Holy | One.

Psalm 99, St. Helena Psalter. Music: Thomas Tallis (1505-1585). | = corresponds to bar line

* = indicates half-way point

• = 2 notes for 1 syllable

Hyde Park = 2 syllables for 1 note

Second Reading

A reading from Paul's letter to the Thessalonians.

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, to the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead – Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Please stand as able. Choir will sing through once, congregation joins on repeats.



"Jesus calls us (Come follow me)"

Words and Music: James E. Clemens and David Wright.

Gospel Reading

At the + below, you are invited to trace a cross over your forehead, your mouth, and your heart.

+ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Matthew 22:15-22

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Children's Chapel

Children in preschool to second grade are invited to attend their own liturgy in the chapel, led by children's ministry staff Lindsey Strieter and Megan Cather. Participants under age 3 are encouraged to bring a parent. The children will return to the main service at the peace.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Sermon

Today's Preacher: The Rev. Barnabas Pusnur, Associate Rector

Apostles' Creed

Please stand as able.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate. was crucified, died, and was buried.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints. the forgiveness of sins, He descended to the dead. + the resurrection of the body, On the third day he rose again. and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

As our world remains gripped in violent conflict and continuing desperation for so many, may our prayers for the church and the world find favor in your sight, oh God.

God of our church, who works through human particularity and not despite it, remind us that our true distinctiveness is in service to you and not in any human border or difference.

Lord, in thy mercy,

Hear our prayer.

God of our world, though some things do belong to human authorities, ultimately all things belong to you; remind our leaders that the true cost of our political actions and responses resides in the loss of human lives. Lord, in thy mercy,

Hear our prayer.

God of the vulnerable, may your Son protect us from the wrath that is here and all too real. Lord, in thy mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We give thanks for the confirmation of **Kari** Martin. Lord, in thy mercy,

Hear our prayer.

God who cares for the sick and suffering, may your presence be with them, giving them comfort; may your presence be with us, encouraging us to offer comfort. Be present especially to **Jacky** Corey Hain, **Anne** Stewart (mother of Becky Foster), **Jennifer** Penn, **Sheila** Bator, **Lissa** Hodder (sister of Mary Naftzger), **Diane & Richard** Hohl (parents of Susan Hohl), **Brenda** Kilpatrick, **Peter** Pereira, **Becky** Kruse, **Naomi** Haynes, **Mel** Hodder (brother-in-law of Mary Naftzger), and all those on our prayer list. Lord, in thy mercy,

Hear our prayer.

God who celebrates joyous occasions, may your presence be with those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries, especially **Victoria** Ajayi (10/22), **Jameela** Lanfair (10/22), **Lars** Danforth (10/23), **Elaine** Wackerly (10/24), **Shirley** Knight (10/25), **Andrew** Rostan (10/26), **Jane** Stuart (10/26), **Cheryl** Vanorsby (10/26), **Evie** Younkin-Wilson (10/27), **Sybil** Younkin-Wilson (10/27), **Tracey** Lewis-Elligan (10/28), and **Joshua** Agina (10/29) as they begin another year, and **Jim & Val** Tonsgard (10/23) and **Megg** Hoover **& Josh** Daniel (10/27) as they celebrate their anniversaries.

Lord, in thy mercy,

Hear our prayer.

God who remembers those who have died, may you turn our attention to **Anna** Bloomfield (cousin of Esther Foiles, 10/04/2023), **Nathaline** Ferlo (mother of Roger Ferlo, 10/22/2018), **Sylvia** Clark (former parishioner, 10/24/2021), and **Martin** Wiggins (10/26/2011, brother of Ellen Wiggins). Lord, in thy mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation. I invite you to offer your own prayers and thanksgivings, ending each with "Lord, in your mercy."

God whose glory is found in your grace and mercy, let it fall in abundance on your suffering; and inspire us to be imitators that glory through the example of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Prayers written by Joshua Daniels.

Prayer List: Anne Stewart (mother of Becky Foster), Jacky Corey Hain, Sheila Bator, Lissa Hodder (sister of Mary Naftzger), Diane & Richard Hohl (parents of Susan Hohl), Peter Pereira, Becky Kruse, Susan Hartger, John Mulholland, Brenda Kilpatrick, Alarra Tozin (friend of Twila Jones), Hilton Clark (friend of Cecilia Mowatt), Penny Piantedosi (sister of Val Tonsgard), Rosalyn Hill (friend of Cecilia Mowatt), Alphonso Guerrero (nephew of Cecilia Mowatt), Brenden Jones (godson of Cecilia Mowatt), Pamela Anderson, D. Maria Neighbors, Rahsaan Clark Morris, Marian Elliott, Naomi Haynes, Mel Hodder (brother-in-law of Mary Naftzger), Amelia Dammen (grandniece of Lisa Rademacher), and Tim Brown (cousin of Maureen Jesuthasan), as well as their caregivers.

Confession and Absolution

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

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

Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

You are invited to greet those around you with the words "Peace be with you," accompanied by a wave, peace sign, or handshake. Some announcements will be given; there's much more to find out in the front and back pages of this bulletin.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

Sung by the Choir and Choristers

Be still and know that I am God. Be still and know God.

"Be still"

Words: Psalm 46:10.

Music: Rick Sowash (b. 1950).

The Great Thanksgiving

All stand as the offering is brought to the altar.

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 our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

The Presider adds a proper preface.

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.

After introduction, all sing.





Lift Every Voice and Sing II #255 "Holy, holy, holy"
Music: Mass for a Soulful People, Grayson Warren Brown (b. 1948).

Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are the Lord.

The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath.

We praise you, O God.

Generations bless your faithfulness: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future.

We bless you, O God.

We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now.

We thank you, O God.

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 his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world. Sanctify these gifts by your Holy Spirit, to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

Source: All Creation Sings: Thanksgiving at the Table, Form A.

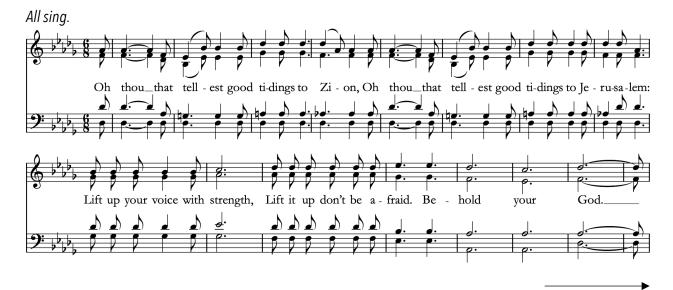
As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

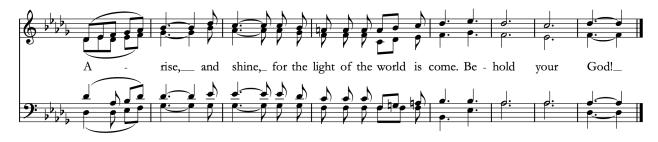
Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are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

The Breaking of the Bread

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast.





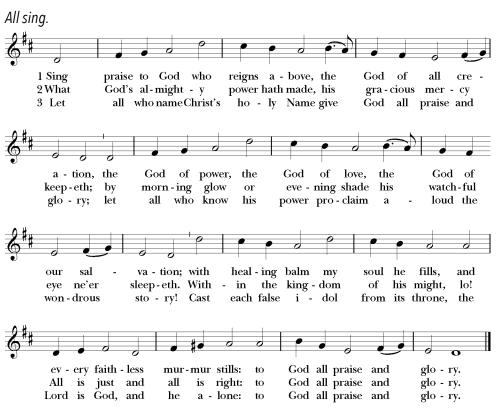
LEVAS #2 "O thou that tellest good tidings to Zion (Behold Your God)" Words and Music: Kenneth W. Louis (b. 1956).

The gifts of God for the people of God.

All, without exception, are invited to receive communion. If you would like to receive communion at your seat, please let the ushers know. If you want gluten-free bread, tell the communion minister. If you would like a blessing in place of communion, cross your arms over your chest.

No matter whether or how you choose to receive the Eucharist, may this time in the service be one of contemplation and prayer, enabling you to draw nearer to the quiet presence of God.

Communion Music



The Hymnal 1982 #408 "Sing praise to God"

Words: Johann Jacob Schütz (1640-1690); tr. Frances Elizabeth Cox (1812-1897), alt.

Music: Mit Freuden zart, melody from "Une pastourelle gentille," 1529; adapt. Pseaumes cinquate de David, 1547, and Kirchengesang darinnen die Heubtartickel de Christlichen Glauben gefasset, 1566; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), after Heinrich Reimann (19th cent.).



LEVAS II #72 "Just a closer walk"
Words: Anonymous. Music: American Folk Song.

Sending Forth

Please stand as able.

Let us pray.

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Presider blesses the people.

+ May the Wisdom of God, the Love of God, and the Grace of God strengthen you to be Christ's hands and heart in this world, in the name of the Holy Trinity. **Amen.**

Source: Celtic traditional, Enriching Our Worship 1, p. 71.



The Hymnal 1982 #594 "God of grace and God of glory" Words: Harry Emerson Fosdick (1878-1969), alt. Music: Cwm Rhondda, John Hughes (1873-1932).

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Postlude

August Reinhard (1831-1912).



Connect With Our Newest Neighbors:

- People from SPR will be providing breakfast **every Sunday** for the migrants and others staying at local police stations. We will need people to shop, cook, and deliver the food.
- People staying at the police stations and local shelters have asked for the opportunity to cook for themselves. We will need people to transport small groups of people to and from church, to hang out with or help people while they cook, and to help with clean-up. Times and dates are TBD.

If you're interested or would like more information, please contact Jason Evans at jasoncoryevans@gmail.com.



SPR Haiti Ministry Meeting

If you are interested in becoming involved in the Haiti Ministry, please come to a meeting on **Wednesday**, **October 25, 7PM**., at Linda Thisted's home, 5729 S. Woodlawn. Since we will not be able to go to Haiti anytime in the foreseeable future, we need to reimagine how we work with our Haitian partners and how we keep the SPR congregation informed.

Adult Formation Series: Stories of Vocation

Join us at **11:05** am on Sundays in the Parish Hall for our Adult Formation series: 'Stories of Vocation'. Hosted by Revs. Barnabas Pusnur & Catherine Healy, the formations will feature a panel of 3-4 parishioners who will speak about their vocations and the journeys that have led them there. We hope to learn from each other and appreciate the different walks of life that shape our community.

- Stories of Vocation: Clergy | Sunday, Oct 22
- Stories of Vocation: Education | Sunday, Oct 29
- Stories of Vocation: Lay ministry | Sunday, Nov 12
- Stories of Vocation: Arts | Sunday, Nov 19
- Stories of Vocation: Healthcare | Sunday, Nov 26

20s/30s Board Game Night

All young adults in their 20s/30s are invited to a tabletop game night in the St. Cecilia Room on **Friday, October 27**, from 6:00 to 9:30 PM. No need to bring a game, we'll have plenty! RSVP to Lori Petrie.

New Moms' Group Meeting

SPR invites all new moms (with children aged 0-3) to gather on **Sunday, October 29 at 9:00 AM** in the counseling office (outside the southeast corner of the sanctuary). Child care will be available in the nursery for children ages 1 and up; infants are invited to join their moms. Contact: Romonda McKinney (romonda.mckinney@gmail.com).

Submit Names for All Saints' Day Necrology

On **All Saints' Sunday, November 5**, we will read aloud the names of all church members and their loved ones who have passed away since Nov 6, 2022.

If you would like a loved one's name read aloud, please email their name, date of death, and relationship to you (e.g., "John Smith, 1/7/2020, father of Jane Smith") to Mark Bilyeu (bilyeu@sprchicago.org) by Wednesday, Nov 1 at 12p.

All Hallows' Eve Service & Party

Put on your finest Halloween costume and join us on Sunday, **October 29, from 2:00 to 3:00 PM** for an All Hallows' Eve service and party! This fun, interactive time will be geared toward kids and open to all. Children and youth are encouraged to bring friends.

Love in a Dish: Deliver a Homemade Meal

Julia McMillan & Brett O'Brien (55th & Hyde Park) are grateful to receive meals as they settle into life with newborn Henry. Sign up: mealtrain.com/trains/0e047z



All Saints' Sunday & Giving to the Music Fund

Our **November 5** worship will commemorate all our beloved dead and the saints who have gone before us. The 10AM service will include a special musical offering of Maurice Duruflé's *Requiem*, sung by the choir, and featuring guest organist David Schrader. All Saints' Sunday is also an opportunity for giving to the **Music Fund**, a designated fund which helps SPR continue our mission of mirroring the radical hospitality practiced by Jesus through our musical offerings.

Jazzing Up Coffee Hour This Fall

Are you ready for coffee hour after the 10:00 service to be just a bit more delicious? All church members are invited to sign up to bring one item or help with setup or cleanup. Sign up at tinyurl.com/SPRCoffee10.

Contact: Cynthia Bagrowski (cbagrowski@gmail.com).

Save the Date: Holiday Art Fair

SPR's Faith in Action Team (FIAT) is putting on a holiday gift fair **December 2, 11AM-2PM and December 3, after the 10am service.** This special event will raise funds to support SPR's new Migrant Refugee Program. We are looking for donations of items such as artwork, fiber art, and pottery. If you know what you would like to donate, we hope you could detail the particulars to help the planning process. Reach out to Bob and Sheila Bator with questions (sbator@aol.com).

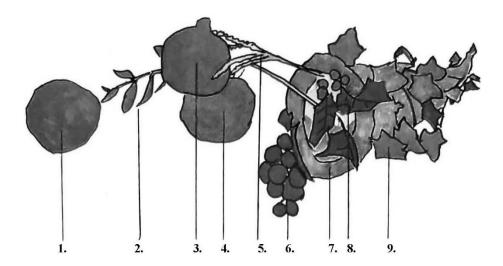
Save the Date: Lessons & Carols

Please mark your calendars for **Sunday, December 10 at 5PM** for the second annual joint service of Lessons & Carols with St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Park Ridge. This year, it will be held here at SPR. We are asking for volunteers to serve as Lectors. Please be in touch with Mark (bilyeu@sprchicago.org) to get involved.

About This Week's Music

Rick Sowash composed today's **offertory anthem.** Sowash is an author, composer, publisher, filmmaker and storyteller. In earlier years, he supported his family in a variety of other ways: he has been an elected public official, an arts administrator, a radio broadcaster, an innkeeper and a church musician, a storyteller/speaker all along, and today an increasingly recognized composer. The **postlude** is by August Reinhard, a German composer who was most notable for his expertise in the harmonium (a type of organ that generates air via a performer-operated blower). Reinhard's harmonium method book, *Harmoniumschule*, sold over 40,000 copies during his lifetime, before the instrument went out of style.





- 1. **Apple:** Traditionally, if not biblically, the fruit of the Tree of Knowledge in the Garden of Eden. A symbol of the "Fall of Man," and, when held by the infant Jesus, a symbol of his future mission as Redeemer of the world.
- 2. **Olive Branch:** An ancient symbol of peace. In the Old Testament, brought back to the Ark by a dove, a symbol of God making peace with humanity after the Flood.
- 3. **Pomegranate:** An ancient symbol of fertility and prosperity, associated with the Virgin Mary or the infant Christ who hold the fruit, bursting with seeds, and understood as symbolic of Christ's suffering and resurrection.
- 4. **Orange:** Occasionally a substitute for an apple held by the Christ Child; associated with the fruit of the Tree of Knowledge.
- 5. **Sheaf of Wheat:** Traditionally symbolic of the Eucharistic bread of Communion.
- 6. **Bunch of Grapes:** Symbolic of the Eucharistic wine of Communion.
- 7. **Cornucopia:** (from Latin: *cornu copiae*) "horn of plenty." A horn-shaped basket associated with and symbolic of many virtues, personifications, gods, and goddesses, and seen as symbolic of autumn (and the harvest), of abundance, peace and concord, and of fortune and hospitality. In the United States, it is also a symbol of the secular holiday of Thanksgiving.
- 8. **Holly:** Often associated with winter and understood as particularly hardy because of its evergreen leaves, it has been associated with Christmas since medieval times and more particularly with Christ, specifically with the crown of thorns and the blood it drew, but also, because of its hardiness, with Christ's resurrection.
- 9. **Ivy:** Associated with immortality because of its vitality and evergreen color, it forms a wonderful pair with holly in the traditional Christmas hymn: "The Holly and the Ivy."

The Program: The cornucopia can be read from left to right (front to back) as symbolic of the biblical progress of humanity, from eating of the fruit of the tree of knowledge, to God's promise, in the wake of the Flood, never again to destroy the world (and, more generally, of humanity's need to work for peace). This is followed by two symbols of the spiritual fertility of Mary and of Christ's redeeming sacrifice, and then by the symbols of the Eucharist. The holly and the ivy are symbolic both of Christ's sacrifice, and of its enduring vitality and fruitfulness. The cornucopia pouring out its riches is a symbol of Christianity and of the world's extraordinary abundance. As we say (in the old liturgy) at the presentation of the offering: "All things come of thee, O Lord, and of thine own have we given thee."

Levi Smith (Sources: James Hall, *Dictionary of Subjects and Symbols in Art* & Wikipedia)

Serving Today

October 22, 2023 | 10:00 AM

Presider: The Rev. Catherine Healy Preacher: The Rev. Barnabas Pusnur Deacon: The Rev. Jack Seymour Music Leader: Mark Bilyeu

Children's Chapel Leader: Lindsey Strieter Lectors: Joshua Daniel, John Mulholland

Intercessor: Andrew Rostan

Chalice Ministers: Esther Foiles, Gabriel Lear,

John Adewoye

Ushers: Chinyere Agina, Mike Agina Linen Washer: Janet Underwood Vestry Greeter: Celia Paris

Communion Bread Baker: Jim Tonsgard

Staff

The Rev. Catherine E. Healy, Rector

The Rev. Barnabas E. Pusnur, Associate Rector

The Rev. Jack Seymour, *Deacon* Mark Bilyeu, *Director of Music*

Megan Cather, Children's Music Assistant

Lindsey Strieter, Director of Children's Formation

The Rev. Roger Ferlo, Priest Associate (on leave, fall 2023)

Savannah Hegyi, Wesley Krist, Ian Murrell,

Ariana Strahl, Staff Singers

Sabrina Foster, Ashley Lanfair, & Patricia Lanfair,

Nursery Teachers

Tony George, Substitute Sexton

Vestry

Twila Jones, *Warden*Baiju Markose, *Clerk*Frances Spaltro, *Warden*Tayo Adegoke, *Treasurer*

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Celia Paris

Partners in Ministry

American Red Cross of Greater Chicago

We partner with the Red Cross to provide emergency shelter for those displaced by disasters.

Community Renewal Society

We are a member congregation of CRS, which organizes faith communities for social change.

Crossroads/Chicago ROAR

Chicago ROAR supports our anti-racism commitments through facilitation and training.

Episcopal Diocese of Chicago

We are proud to belong to the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago, led by our bishop, the Rt. Rev. Paula Clark.

Murray Fellows

Through this program, we mentor and encourage the next generation of LGBTQ+ Christian leaders.

Open Kitchen

SPR members gather monthly to cook meals for Kenwood UCC's Feed the People Soup Kitchen.

St. Patrick's Church & School, Haiti

Our collaboration with St. Patrick's in Tom Gateau, Haiti, includes school lunch and music programs, teacher salaries, and capital projects.

St. Paul & the Redeemer Food Pantry

Our food pantry is open to the community every Wednesday from 3:30 to 5:30 PM.

Shoesmith Elementary School

We support our neighborhood school through tutoring, arts programs, and gardening.

