



The first two disciples, Jesus Mafa

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

January 26, 2020 | 10:00 AM

You Are Welcome

A Little About St. Paul & the Redeemer

What Kind of Church Is This?

St. Paul & the Redeemer 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. SPR honors both faith and doubt, bringing together our highest hopes and our deepest fears.

SPR Anti-Racism Vision Statement

To mirror the radical hospitality practiced by Jesus and be true to our baptismal covenant, 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.

Let's Get Connected

Fill out one of these cards, which you can find in the backs of the chairs and drop it in the offering basket or give it to a member of the clergy.

OR

Stop by the Welcome Table, which is near the west entrance to the church.

AND

Check-in and follow SPR on social media: [facebook.com/sprchicago](https://www.facebook.com/sprchicago) and [@sprchicago](https://twitter.com/sprchicago)



The image shows a 'Let's Get Connected' card with a sunburst logo at the top. Below the logo, there are several input fields: 'Your Name(s)', 'Your Email (please print clearly)', 'Your Preferred Phone Number', and 'Your Mailing Address'. There are also checkboxes for 'Mobile' and 'Landline'. At the bottom right, there is a 'Clear' button with a right-pointing arrow.

Children's Formation

Nursery, 9:00a-12:30p | Professionally staffed nursery care is available during the services for children ages 0-4. The nursery is down the southwest stairs. Changing tables are in the downstairs restrooms and the nursery.

Children's Chapel, 10:15a-10:30a | During the sermon at the 10am service, children from **preschool to second grade** are invited to a special liturgy in the children's chapel, featuring songs and a Bible story.

Godly Play: NO FORMATION DUE TO ANNUAL MEETING.

However, children are invited to watch a movie together in the Byllesby Room during the annual meeting (right after the 10am service).

To learn more about volunteering with Godly Play, contact director of children's formation Cynthia Bagrowski (bagrowski@sprchicago.org).

Some Helpful Things to Know Today

Can I receive communion?

Yes. Everyone, without exception, is invited to receive communion.

When am I supposed to stand?

At any point in the service, it's perfectly fine for you to remain seated as you're comfortable. We do have customary times when we stand or kneel; these are indicated by the italicized instructions throughout the service. There are also times when it is customary to cross ourselves, and if you wish to do so, the + indicates that.

Are children welcome here?

Yes. Children are invited to participate actively in the service. Also, coloring pages, crayons, and books are at the entrances to the church. Nursery care is available.

Where are the restrooms?

There are single-user, gender-neutral restrooms down the southwest stairs and also through the northeast door of the sanctuary.

Is there wheelchair accessibility?

Yes. An accessible restroom is through the northeast door of the sanctuary. There is an elevator which gives access to the first floor, lower level, and parish hall. Everyone is invited to remain seated at any point during the service, as needed.

How about hearing assistance?

We can help there, too. Hearing-assistance devices are available from the ushers.

SPR Choirs

All experience levels and newcomers welcome.

St. Nicholas Choir (Kindergarten-2nd grade): Thursday rehearsal 6-6:30pm.

Contact: Gretchen Eng (eng@sprchicago.org).

SPR Choristers (3rd Grade and above): Thursday rehearsal 6-7:30pm. Contact:

Christian Clough (clough@sprchicago.org).

Teen & Adult Choirs: Thursday rehearsal 7-8:40pm. Contact Christian Clough (clough@sprchicago.org).

Youth Formation

Youth Formation: NO FORMATION DUE TO ANNUAL MEETING.

Youth Group, Sundays, 4-6p | Youth are invited to youth group **today, Sunday, January 26 from 4-6p** for an improv class with Gretchen Eng (Part 1 of 2), 4-6pm (note earlier time; no dinner these nights!). Youth Group is a weekly fellowship gathering on Sundays. Check out our info board outside of the youth room, subscribe to the SPR parish's weekly email blast, or follow us at @SPRYouth for more info.

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THE WORD OF GOD

Throughout the bulletin, the congregation is to say all **bolded** text aloud.

Prelude

Entrance Hymn

When the bell rings, please stand as able and sing.



1. Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your name? ____
2. Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call your name? ____
3. Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call your name? ____
4. Will you love the "You" you hide if I but call your name? ____
5. Christ, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call my name. ____

Will you go where you don't know and nev - er be the same? ____
Will you care for cruel and kind and nev - er be the same? ____
Will you set the pris - oners free and nev - er be the same? ____
Will you quell the fear in - side and nev - er be the same? ____
Let me turn and fol - low you and nev - er be the same. ____

Will you let my love be shown, ____ will you let my name be known, ____
Will you risk the hos - tile stare ____ should your life at - tract or scare? ____
Will you kiss the lep - er clean, ____ and do such as this un - seen, ____
Will you use the faith you've found ____ to re - shape the world a - round ____
In your com - pan - y I'll go ____ where your love and foot - steps show, ____

will you let my life be grown in you and you in me? ____
Will you let me an - swer prayer in you and you in me? ____
and ad - mit to what I mean in you and you in me? ____
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me? ____
thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me. ____

"Will you come and follow me"

Words: John T. Bell (b. 1949) & Graham Maule (1958–29 Dec 2019)

Music: *Kelvingrove*, 7.6.7.6.7.7.7.6, Scottish traditional

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Welcome

+ Blessed are you, holy and living God.

Glory to God for ever and ever.

The Collect of the Day

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

**Give us grace, O Lord,
to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ
and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation,
that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Please be seated.

The Lessons

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Isaiah 9:1-4

There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;

those who lived in a land of deep darkness—
on them light has shined.

You have multiplied the nation,
you have increased its joy;

they rejoice before you
as with joy at the harvest,
as people exult when dividing plunder.

For the yoke of their burden,
and the bar across their shoulders,
the rod of their oppressor,
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able and sing.

3. Christ, by high - est heaven a - dored; Je - sus, the
4. Hail, the heaven - born Prince of Peace!

light of the world. Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord; Hail, the Sun of Right - eous - ness! Je - sus, the light of the

world. We'll walk in the light, beau - ti - ful light. Come where the dew - drops of mer - cy shine

bright. Ob, - shine all a - round us by day and by night. Je - sus, the light of the world.

"Jesus, the light of the world" (stanzas 3 & 4 only)

Words: George D. Elderkin; verses by Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: *We'll Walk in the Light, 7 7 7 7 with Refrain*, George D. Elderkin; arr. Evelyn Simpson-Currenton (b. 1953)
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At the + below, you are invited to trace a cross over your forehead, your mouth, and over your heart.

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

Matthew 4:12-23

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned." From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people." Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Children's Chapel *(@ 9:15 only)*

Children in preschool to second grade are invited to their own liturgy in the chapel. They will return at the peace.

Please be seated.

The Sermon

Today's Preacher: The Rev. Catherine Healy, *Rector*

Apostles' Creed

Let us confess the faith of the church.

All 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.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.**

**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.**

**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.**

The Prayers of the People

God our Creator, as regions across the world are suffering the impact of our ever-warming climate, we pray for all those affected and ask that our leaders may listen to the ever-swelling chorus of young voices that asks for us to envision a different future.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

God our Liberator, in this season when we recall how you caused your light to shine in the darkness we pray that hope would bloom anew in the places that need it the most in our world and in ourselves.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

God our Shepherd, we pray that you would guide the world of our annual meeting as we recall your faithfulness over the past year and together seek to discern the places to which you are calling us.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We remember all those who are suffering and pray that they might find help in their time of need, especially **Nancy** Harlan (mother of Anne Harlan), **Anna** Braucher, **Mary** Johnson (friend of Mary Naftzger), **Willie** C. Spraggins (aunt of Jo Ann Roberts), **Sally** Wolcott and her family, **Eli** Taylor (brother-in-law of Cheryl Vanorsby), **Rock** Sehr, **William** Starnes, Jr. (brother of Pam Anderson), **Cheryl** Vanorsby, A. **Henry** Randall, Jr. (grandfather of Evan Randall), **Sophie** Dillard (granddaughter of Robert and Sheila Bator), **Naomi** Haynes, **George** Whitley, **Sean** Knight (son of Shirley Knight), **Tim** Sehr, **William** Starnes (father of Pam Anderson), **Jewel** Starnes (mother of Pam Anderson), **Leatrice** Mowatt, **Katherine** Beetle Broadway (family of Tongsards), **Bronwen** O'Wril (sister of Persis Berlekamp), **Chris** Wiley (cousin of Camille Long), and **Barbara** Brown (sister of Crystal Plummer) as well as their caregivers.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We are ever grateful for the lives and memories of our beloved dead, remembering **Ressie** Scott (1/26/2016, daughter of Celia Scott).

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Even as the natural world seems to sleep around us we remember the new life you have caused to blossom even in the dead of winter, including those celebrating birthdays, **Quinn** Connell Gaynor (1/26), **Travis** Cook (1/26), **Ka Yee** Lee (1/26), **Zena** Tolbert (1/28), **Jason** Evans (1/29), **Jonathan** Foiles (1/30), **Vivienne** Kennedy Chlipala (1/30), **Alice** Bakkum (2/1), and **James** Morin (2/1); and those celebrating anniversaries: **Carolyn & Peter** Pereira (1/26), and **Sem** Sutter & **John** Easton (1/29).

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

I invite you to offer your own prayers and thanksgivings, ending each with "Lord, in your mercy."

Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Prayers written by Jonathan Foiles.

Requests for prayers can be sent to Barnabas Pusnur at pusnur@sprchicago.org.

Confession and Absolution

Let us confess our sins to God.

All bow or kneel as able.

**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.

The Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

All greet one another and return to their seats. Some announcements will be given, but there's much more to find out in the front and back pages of this bulletin.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

Sung by the choir.

I'm gonna sing 'till the Spirit moves in my heart
I'm gonna sing 'till the Spirit moves in my heart
I'm gonna sing 'till the Spirit moves in my heart
I'm gonna sing 'till Jesus comes

It was grace that brought me
It was grace that taught me
It was grace that kept me
And it's grace that will lead me home

I'm gonna pray 'till the Spirit moves in my heart
I'm gonna pray 'till Jesus comes

Can't you feel the spirit moving?

I'm gonna shout 'till the Spirit moves in my heart
I'm gonna shout 'till Jesus comes
I'm gonna sing till my Jesus comes

Words: traditional

Music: Negro spiritual, arr. Moses Hogan (1957-2003)

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, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

All sing.

The musical score is written for voice and piano in G major and 6/8 time. It consists of three systems of music. The first system has a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and earth are full of your glo -". The second system continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "- ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Blessed is the one who". The third system concludes the piece. The lyrics are: "comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est." The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note bass line and chords in the right hand.

Music: from *Unity Mass*, Norah Duncan, IV
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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 out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

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 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.

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.**

The Book of Common Prayer, 1979, Eucharistic Prayer B.

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

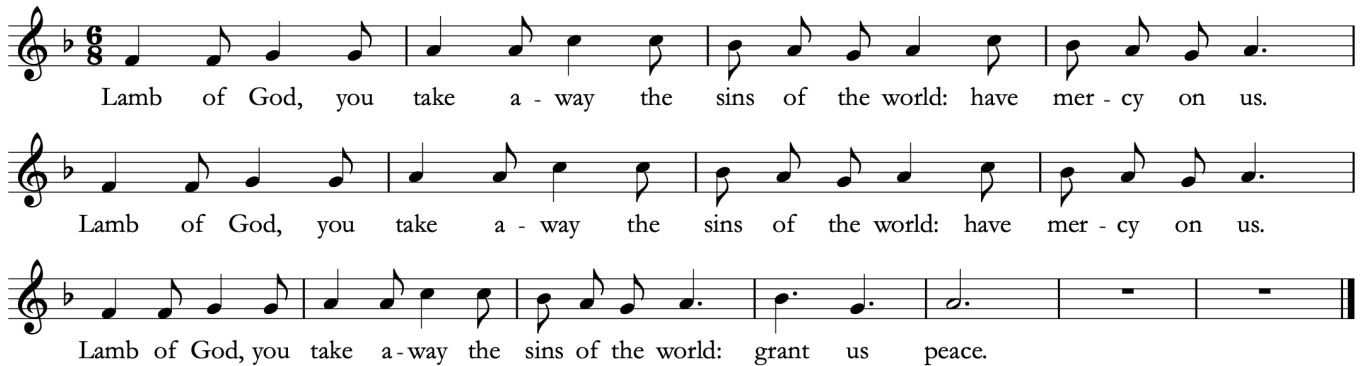
**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**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

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

All sing.



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Lift Every Voice and Sing II #271. See notes on music inside the back cover.

Lamb of God (*Agnus Dei*)

Music: Eugene W. Hancock (1929-1994)

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The gifts of God for the people of God.

All, without exception, are invited to receive communion. If you want gluten-free bread, tell the priest. If you would like a blessing in place of communion, cross your arms over your chest. If you are unable to come to the altar and would like to receive communion at your seat, tell an usher. The ushers will help each section up to the altar. Don't worry; all will be fed.

Healing Prayer

If you would like to be prayed for individually, you are invited to the area in front of the columbarium (in the southeast corner of the sanctuary) after you have received communion, where a prayer team member will pray with you briefly before you return to your seat.

All sing.



1. As we gath - er at your Ta - ble, as we lis - ten to your Word,
2. Turn our wor - ship in - to wit - ness in the sac - ra - ment of life;
3. Gra - cious Spi - rit, help us sum - mon oth - er guests to share that Feast



1. help us know, O God, your pres - ence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.
2. send us forth to love and serve you, bring - ing peace where there is strife.
3. where tri - um - phant Love will wel - come those who had been last and least.



1. Nour - ish us with sa - cred sto - ry till we claim it as our own;
2. Give us, Christ, your great com - pas - sion to for - give as you for - gave;
3. There no more will en - vy blind us nor will pride our peace des - troy,



1. teach us through this ho - ly ban - quet how to make Love's vic - tory known.
2. may we still be - hold your im - age in the world you died to save.
3. as we join with saints and an - gels to re - peat the sound - ing joy.

Wonder Love and Praise #763 "As we gather at your table"

Words: Carl P. Daw, Jr. (b. 1944)

Music: Raquel, Skinner Chávez-Melo (1944-1992)

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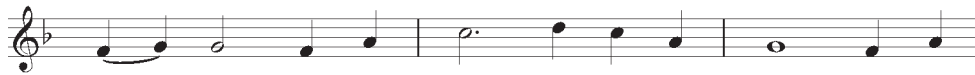
All sing.



1 Je - sus calls us; o'er the tu - mult of our
2 as, of old, Saint An - drew heard it by the
3 Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship of the
4 In our joys and in our sor - rows, days of
5 Je - sus calls us! By thy mer - cies, Sa - vior,



1 life's wild, rest - less sea, day by day his clear voice
2 Gal - i - le - an lake, turned from home and toil and
3 vain world's gold - en store; from each i - dol that would
4 toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in cares and
5 make us hear thy call, give our hearts to thine o -



1 sound - eth, say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low me;" say - ing,
2 kin - dred, leav - ing all for his dear sake. leav - ing
3 keep us, say - ing, "Chris - tian, love me more." say - ing,
4 plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love me more than these." "Chris - tian,
5 be - dience, serve and love thee best of all. serve and



1 "Chris - tian, fol - low me;"
2 all for his dear sake.
3 "Chris - tian, love me more."
4 love me more than these."
5 love thee best of all.

The Hymnal 1982 #549 "Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult"

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Sending Forth

Please stand.

Let us pray.

Eternal God,

**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 Presider blesses the people. You are invited to cross yourself as the Presider traces a cross over the congregation.

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, mother of us all, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Book of Occasional Services, Epiphany blessing, p. 24.

All sing.



1 Sing - ing songs of ex - pec - ta - tion, on - ward
2 One the light of God's own pres - ence, o'er his
3 One the strain the lips of thou - sands lift as



goes the pil - grim band, through the night of
ran - somed peo - ple shed, chas - ing far the
from the heart of one; one the con - flict,



doubt and sor - row, march - ing to the prom - ised land.
gloom and ter - ror, bright - ening all the path we tread:
one the per - il, one the march in God be - gun:



Clear be - fore us through the dark - ness gleams and
one the ob - ject of our jour - ney, one the
one the glad - ness of re - joic - ing on the



burns the guid - ing light: trust - ing God we
faith which nev - er tires, one the ear - nest
far e - ter - nal shore, where the one al -



march to - geth - er step - ping fear - less through the night.
look - ing for - ward, one the hope our God in - spires.
might - y Fa - ther reigns in love for ev - er - more.

The Hymnal 1982 #527 "Singing songs of expectation"

Words: Bernard Severin Ingemann (1789-1862) tr. Sabine Baring-Gould (1834-1924), alt. Music: *Ton-y Botel*, 87. 87. D, Thomas John Williams (1869-1944)

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

VESTRY CANDIDATES FOR 2020

Twila Jones (for a 2-year term as warden)

Twila Jones is a native of Chicago's South Side. She came to SPR in 2012, was confirmed in December of 2013, and has enjoyed being a fully alive and fully engaged member of this wonderful parish ever since. She has served as clerk of the vestry since 2016, done several turns as a lay delegate to diocesan convention, and counts it a privilege to participate in a number of SPR ministries, including the Anti-Racism Working Group, Vacation Bible Camp, Advent Bake Sale, prayer writing, altar guild, and food garden. Outside of church, Twila is an elementary special education teacher, artsy/craftsy person, mildly obsessive gardener, and woodland nymph. She's the proud aunt of two charming young nieces, whom you may have seen around the place. Eden, 17, is a sophomore at Northwestern University, but can still be occasionally lured to church with the promise of food. Ever, 4, is a kindergartner who happily attends church with her aunt and loves working in the food garden and participating in the children's ministries with her friends.



O. Michael Agina (for a 3-year term to vestry)

Mike has been a member of St. Paul and the Redeemer since 1994 and lived in Hyde Park until 2011, when he relocated to the far Southwest Side of Chicago (Scottsdale) with his lovely wife, Chinyere, and their two wonderful children. Throughout his time at SPR, he has felt what it truly means to be part of a family of worshipers. In the past, he has attended the 8:00 and 9:15 services; since moving southwest, he now attends 11:15 worship. He has seen SPR and its community grow in various ways, such as size, inclusiveness, modernization, and, above all, hospitality. He has also been involved in retreats, workshops on spirituality, Bible study, gardening, and (some years ago) assembling SPR's new organ. He presently serves as an usher and lector at 11:15 worship. With a background in mathematics and computer science, he currently teaches mathematics at Daley College in Chicago. Besides teaching, he loves reading, computing, cooking, and spending time with his family. He is honored and thankful for the opportunity to serve God and the SPR community and feels valued and privileged to have been asked to join the vestry at this time. He looks forward to the many opportunities it will bring with it, especially in helping him and his family to draw closer to God.



Traci Beck (for a 3-year term to vestry)

Traci was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and baptized and confirmed at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, where she served as an acolyte for several years. She spent her youthful summers as an active member of Trinity Episcopal Church in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Traci joined St. Paul and the Redeemer in 2017 and was married to Kelly Suzanne Saulsberry at SPR in 2018. Traci has enjoyed volunteering in the garden and recently participated in this fall's small group series, anti-racism training seminar, and the women's retreat. She is glad to have found a vibrant church home and engaged faith community at SPR. In her spare time, she enjoys traveling and spending time with her dogs, Bella and Ozzie.



Jonathan Foiles (for a 1-year term to vestry)

Jon and his wife Esther have attended the 9:15 service since 2015 and have since been joined by their daughter Elena and their son Edmond. Jon has served as a chalice minister and a prayer writer and reader. Raised in the evangelical tradition, Jon long felt drawn to the rhythms of the liturgy and the possibility of a socially engaged, progressive faith, which drew him to the Episcopal Church. He was confirmed in June 2017, completing a journey that had first begun when he was enrolled in seminary. Outside of church, he is a psychotherapist at the Claret Center, a writer, and a part-time lecturer at the University of Chicago School of Social Service Administration. Jon will be completing the term of Robert Nordling (class of 2021), who is stepping down from the vestry due to his work travel schedule.



Meryl Prochaska (for a 3-year term to vestry)

Meryl moved to Hyde Park in 2004 to attend college at the University of Chicago. She has attended the 9:15 service at SPR for the last four years and serves as a chalice minister. She values SPR's mission "to mirror the radical hospitality practiced by Jesus" and looks forward to the preaching and music each Sunday. Meryl is an attorney and is currently a judicial law clerk for an appellate court justice in the Illinois Appellate Court, First District. Meryl enjoys running and spending time with her friends and family, especially her niece Layla and nephews Mattias and Marek, who also attend SPR and live close to her.



COMING UP

Annual Meeting on January 26

Services at 8 & 10 AM

Everyone is invited to the SPR annual meeting **today, Sunday, January 26, at 11 AM** (immediately following the 10 AM service). Join us as we vote for new vestry members, review the annual budget, celebrate the past year, and plan for the future.

Faith & Justice: Adult Formation Series

How does our faith challenge us to work for justice? Join us to explore this question from many angles in our winter adult formation series on **Sundays at 10:20am in the parish hall**.

- February 2: Freedom & Salvation: A Political Problem (speaker: Jaime Briceño)
- February 9: Refugee Ministry with the Syrian Community Network (speaker: Maya Attasi)

Adult Formation on Liberation Theology

On **Sunday, February 2 at 10:20am**, deacon associate Jaime Briceño will lead an adult formation class to explore an essay by liberation theologian Gustavo Gutiérrez: "Freedom & Salvation: A Political Problem." Join Jaime to discover this radical thinker's re-visioning of salvation from a liberationist perspective.

Adult Formation on Refugee Ministry

On **Sunday, February 9 at 10:20am**, Maya Attasi, director of the Syrian Community Network, will fill us in on their intensive work with Syrian refugees under the constraints of the ban on new refugees from Syria. SPR adults and children have served as mentors to a refugee family in Chicago in partnership with this agency for the last two years, and will do so again on Saturdays, in 2020 starting on February 29.

Hands: Photography Exhibit by Valerie Tonsgard

Please visit the chapel for the latest SPR art exhibit, entitled *Hands*, by parishioner Valerie Tonsgard. Hands have an unspoken language of their own, and with the fifteen photos in the exhibit, Valerie portrays some of this language. Sometimes when there are no words, a touch or gesture can speak volumes.

Notes on Today's Music

Graham Maule, artist and musician, founding member of the Wild Goose Resource Group and staff member of the Iona Community for many years, died peacefully on Sunday, December 29 after a short illness. He is the co-writer of our opening hymn.

The composer of the new-to-us setting of "Lamb of God" was Eugene W. Hancock, a distinguished organist, composer, professor of music, and authority on the Organ Music of Black Composers. BM: University of Detroit, MM: University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, DSM: Union Theological Seminary in New York. Hancock was a professor of music at Manhattan Community College and held positions in a number of churches in New York City, including the Cathedral of St. John the Divine and St. Phillips. From 1984-1990, Hancock was Director of Music at West End Presbyterian Church.

Shoemsmith Pen Pal Project

Sign up in the narthex to be a pen pal with one or two first graders at Shoemsmith Elementary School. Exchange 3 to 4 short letters this year. Guidelines and a timeline will be sent by Carolyn Pereira (pereira1700@yahoo.com).

Birthday Invitation

You're invited to Anna Mary Wallace's 90th birthday party on **Saturday, February 15, 3-5pm** in the East Room of Montgomery Place, 5550 S. Shore Drive, Chicago. No need to RSVP and NO GIFTS.

20s/30s Cookie Decorating and Gift Swap

Members in their 20s and 30s are invited to join us **today, January 26** at 12:15ish (after the annual meeting) in the Byllesby room. We'll do some Christmas cookie decorating and a white elephant gift swap. For the white elephant, bring a wrapped fun/goofy gift, around \$5. Contact Julia (mcmillan013@gmail.com) with any questions.

SPR Groups and Programs

Please consider joining one of these groups or programs. New participants are always welcome.

Bible Study: Every Thursday, 10-11am in the Byllesby Room. Contact: Kerstin Wellbery (kara.kerstin@gmail.com).

Open Kitchen: The Sunday before the third Monday of each month, 12:30pm in the Kitchen. Contact: Fran Spaltro (pambasilea@gmail.com).

Fiber Arts: Every second Sunday of the month at 12:30pm in the Byllesby Room. Contact: Rebecca Luttrell (southsideknitter@gmail.com).

Arts Committee: Every second Sunday of the month, 12:30pm in the Chapel. Contact: Jim Wright (jimphotoguy1@gmail.com).

20s & 30s Group: Monthly for fellowship. Contact: Julia McMillan (mcmillan013@gmail.com).

50s & Better Group: Monthly for fellowship. Contact: Sheila Bator (sbator@aol.com).

SPR Choirs: All experience levels and newcomers welcome.

St. Nicholas Choir (Kindergarten-2nd grade): Thursday Rehearsal 6-6:30pm. Contact: Gretchen Eng (eng@sprchicago.org).

SPR Choristers (3rd Grade and above): Thursday rehearsal 6-7:30pm. Contact: Christian Clough (clough@sprchicago.org).

Teen & Adult Choirs: Thursday rehearsal 7-8:40pm. Contact Christian Clough (clough@sprchicago.org).

Today's Ministers

Presider

Catherine Healy, Shawn Evelyn

Preacher

Catherine Healy

Deacons

8 & 9:15: Jack Seymour

11:15: Jaime Briceño

Music Leader

Christian Clough

Acolytes

Matthew Erlec, George Stackert, James Pruitt

Lectors

David Stone, Levi Smith

Prayer Reader

Jonathan Foiles

Children's Chapel Leaders

Cynthia Bagrowski, Gretchen Eng

Chalice Ministers

Kenji Kuramitsu, Peggy Johnson, Connie Bonbrest, Maureen Jesuthasan

Healing Prayer Leaders

Vinita Wright, Shannon Cate

Ushers

Joe Dunn, Sarah Lincoln

Vestry Greeter

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