



SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

HAITI SUNDAY

CHURCH OF ST. PAUL & THE REDEEMER

SEPTEMBER 24, 2023 | 10:00 AM

You are welcome here.

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 offering plate, give online at sprchicago.org/give-online or scan this code. If you are visiting, please do not feel obligated to give—it is our honor to have you as our guest!

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THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

Declaration

Ludovic Lamothe (1882 - 1953).

Entrance Hymn



Take my life and let it be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
Take my voice, and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;
Take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sa - ges for thee;



take my mo - ments and my days, let them flow in cease - less praise.
take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - ery power as thou shalt choose.
take my sil - ver and my gold, not a mite would I with - hold,



Take my hands, and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no long - er mine.
Take my love, my God, I pour at thy feet its treas - ure store;



take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy roy - al throne.
Take my - self, and I will be ev - er, on - ly, all for thee.
take my - self and I will be ev - er, on - ly, all for thee.

Hymnal 1982 #707 "Take my life"

Words: Frances Ridley Havergal (1836-1879), alt.

Music: *Hollingside*, John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876).

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.

In 2 *f*

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and

peace to his peo-ple on earth. — Lord God, hea - ven-ly King, al -

- migh - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we

poco rit.

give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

a tempo *mp* *poco cresc.*

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son — of the Fa - ther, Lord God,

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin — of the world; have

mer - cy on us; — you are seat - ed at the right

ff

hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our — prayer. For

you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a-lone are the Lord, —

you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,

in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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.

**Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly;
and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away,
to hold fast to those that shall endure;
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.

The Lessons

First Reading

A reading from the book of Exodus.

Exodus 16:2-15

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, ' If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.'

Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days." So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your complaining against the Lord. For what are we, that you complain against us?" And Moses said, "When the Lord gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the Lord has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the Lord."

Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.'" And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. The Lord spoke to Moses and said, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.'"

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 105:1-6;37-45 *Confitemini Domino*

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



Choir: 1. We give you thanks, O God, and I call upon your Name, *
We make known your deeds among the peoples,

2. We sing to you; we sing your praise*
And speak of all your marvelous works,

**All: 3. We glory in your holy Name;*
Let the hearts of those who seek you rejoice;**

**4. We search for you and your strength;*
We continue to seek your face;**

Choir: 5. We remember the marvels you have done, *
the wonders and the judgments of your mouth:

6. We, the offspring of Abraham, your servant, *
we, the children of Jacob, the chosen ones.

**All: 37. You led out your people with silver and gold; *
in all their tribes there was not one that stumbled.**

**38. Egypt was glad of their going, *
because they were afraid of them.**

Choir: 39. You spread out a cloud for a covering *
and a fire to give light in the night season.

40. They asked, and quails appeared, *
and you satisfied them with bread from heaven.

**All: 41. You opened the rock, and water flowed, *
so the river ran in the dry places.**

**42. For you remembered your holy word *
and Abraham your servant.**

Choir: 43. So you led forth your people with gladness,*
Your chosen with shouts of joy.

44. You gave your people the land of the nations*
And they took the fruit of others' toil.

45. That they might keep your statutes *
And observe your laws. Hallelujah!

	= corresponds to bar line
*	= indicates half-way point
••	= 2 notes for 1 syllable
—	= 2 syllables for 1 note

Words: Psalm 105:1-6;37-45, *St. Helena Psalter*.

Music: Stephen Elvey.

Second Reading

A reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians.

Philippians 1:21-30

To me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well – since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Please stand as able and sing, first in English, then in Spanish.

Oh, how good is Christ the Lord! On the cross he died for me.
Oh, qué bueno es Je - sus. que por mí mu - rió en la cruz.

He has par - doned all my sin, Glo - ry be to Je - sus.
Mis pe - ca - dos per - do - nó. A su nom - bre glo - ria.

Glo - ry be to Je - sus! Glo - ry be to Je - sus!
A su nom - bre glo - ria. A su nom - bre glo - ria.

In three days he rose a - gain. Glo - ry be to Je - sus.
En tres días re - su - ci - to. A su nom - bre glo - ria.

My Heart Sings Out #103 "Oh, how good is Christ the Lord"

Words and Music: Puerto Rican folk hymn; harm. Dale Grotenhuis.

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 20:1-16

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went.

When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.'

When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage.

Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

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.

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.**

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.

Prayers of the People

Remembering the caring and generous works of God, we pray for the church, creation, and the needs of our neighbors.

God who is gracious and merciful, we give you thanks for our partnership with St. Patrick's in Tom Gateau, Haiti.

Teach both our communities to invite and welcome every person. Lead us to be grateful for the blessing of our shared mission. Challenge your church to work toward equity for all.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

God who sends the wind and the sun, you know every place and creature by name. We pray for all those impacted by this summer's floods and earthquakes in Haiti. Show us how best to care for the earth and its people in times of crisis.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

God who redeems the nations, impart your compassionate wisdom to Haiti's legislators, judges, members of the military, and law enforcement. Give them courage to serve their communities in times of uncertainty, stress, or exhaustion.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

God who gives us life, we give thanks with rejoicing for **Liza Reynolds (9/24)**, **Catherine Healy (9/25)**, **James Osborne (9/26)**, **Kaia Kolata (9/28)**, **Mark Bilyeu (9/29)**, **Dottie Healy (9/29)**, **Thomas Christensen (9/30)**, and **Fred Donner (9/30)** as they begin another year, and for **Megan Prochaska & Kevin Johnson (9/29)** as they celebrate their anniversary.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

God who saves, protect your children from calamity and disaster. Strengthen all who are incarcerated or impacted by kidnapping. Encourage all who are in despair or pain of any kind, especially **Brenda** Kilpatrick, **Becky** Kruse, **Pamela** Anderson, **Ann** Rigney (friend of Mary Naftzger), **Rosalyn** Hill (friend of Cecilia Mowatt), and all those on our prayer list.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

God who is slow to anger, may we boast about the goodness of Jesus with the confidence of Paul in prison. Inspire us to find abundance in whatever vocation we are called to in the world and in service to our congregation. We give thanks especially for the leaders of our Haiti ministry.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

God who abounds in steadfast love, we give thanks for the saints called to the kingdom of heaven, remembering especially **Willie** Carrie Spraggins (aunt of Jo Ann Roberts), **Sarah** O'Farrell (sister of Ron Thisted, 9/28/2003), **Claire** Dunham Lincoln (mother of Sarah Lincoln, 9/29/2011), and **Mandy** Pollard (grandfather of David Farris, 9/29/1994). United with them in spirit, hold us firm as we labor in this life and look to the life to come.

Lord, in your 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."

Gracious God, remember us according to your steadfast love as we offer these and the prayers of our hearts, trusting in your compassion made known through Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

*Prayers adapted from *Sundays & Seasons: Year A, Prayers of Intercession for September 24, 2023.**

Prayer List: Peter Pereira, Susan Hartger, John Mulholland, Brenda Kilpatrick, Becky Kruse, Alarra Tozin (friend of Twila Jones), Hilton Clark (friend of Cecilia Mowatt), Penny Piantedosi (sister of Val Tongard), Rosalyn Hill (friend of Cecilia Mowatt), Ann Rigney (friend of Mary Naftzger), 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

Souvenirs

Christopher Ducasse (b. 1993).

*Played by cellists Asher Foster, Thomas Cather, Roger Ferlo,
Vance Lauderdale, Katharine Christensen, & Simon Lane*

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.

Ho-ly, ho - ly, — ho - ly, ho - ly, — ho - ly Lord God — of hosts. —

Heav-en and earth — are — filled with your glo - ry. Ho - san-na in — the — high - est. —

Bless-ed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord, of the Lord.

Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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.

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.

All sing.

Antiphon
Cantor, then all




The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus in the break - ing

Fine Verses

— of the bread.

1. The bread which we break, Al - le - lu -
2. One bo - dy are we, Al - le - lu -

All repeat Antiphon



ia, is the com - mun - ion of the Bod - y of Christ.
ia, for though ma - ny we share one bread.

Wonder, Love & Praise #876 "The disciples knew the Lord Jesus"
Words and music: Jack Warren Burnam (b. 1946).

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.

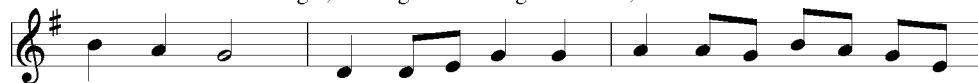
No matter whether or how you choose to receive the Eucharist, may this time in the service be one of contemplation and prayer, enabling you to draw nearer to the quiet presence of God.

Communion Music

All sing.



1. All who hun - ger gath - er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na
 2. All who hun - ger, nev - er stran - gers, seek - er, be a
 3. All who hun - ger, sing to - geth - er, Je - sus Christ is



is our bread. Come from wil - der - ness and wan - d'ring.
 wel - come guest. Come from rest - less - ness and roam - ing.
 liv - ing bread. Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing.



Here in truth we will be fed. You that yearn for
 Here, in joy we keep the feast. We that once were
 Here, in peace, we have been fed. Blest are those who



days of full - ness, all a - round us is our food.
 lost and scat - tered in com - mun - ion's love have stood.
 from this ta - ble live their days in grat - i - tude.



Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal.
 Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal.
 Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal.



Taste and see that God is good.
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The Choir sings a hymn that is also being sung this morning at St. Patrick's Church, our partner parish, in Haiti.

Map chèchew, mwen bezwenw'

I'm looking for you, I need you

Mwen bezwenw plis ke avan.

I need you more than before.

Mwen santi, nanm mwen swaf .

I feel, my soul thirsts for you.

Mwen bezwen w nan yon lot nivo.

I need you on another level.

Men mwen, men mwen Senyè.

Here I am, here I am, Lord.

M grangou pou prezans ou.

I hunger for your presence.

Mwen vle wè glwa ou, nan yon lòt nivo.

Mwen vle wè glwa ou, nan yon lòt nivo.

Map kriye kriye pou glwa ou.

I am crying, crying for your glory.

Map rele rele pou glwa ou.

I am calling, calling for your glory.

Mwen vle wè ou nan yon lot nan yon lòt nivo.

I want to see your glory on another level

"Mwen bezwen w nan yon lot nivo" ("I need you on another level")

Words and Music: Delly Benson, alt. M. Bilyeu.

Sending Forth

Please stand as able.

Let us pray.

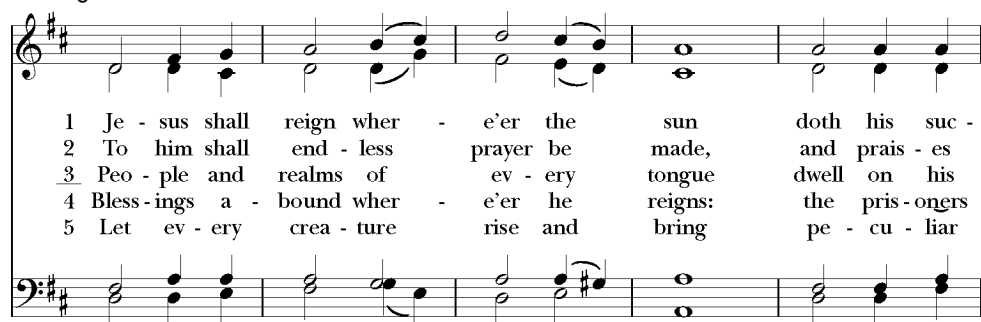
**God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and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

The Presider blesses the people.

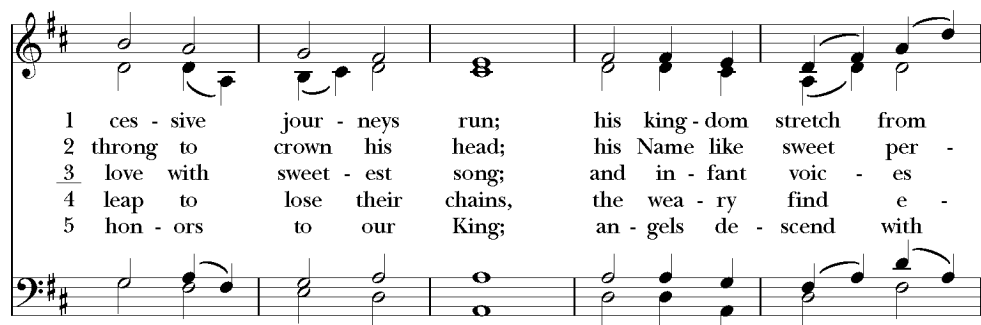
+ May the Wisdom of God, the Love of God, and the Grace of God strengthen you to be Christ's hands and heart in this world, in the name of the Holy Trinity. **Amen.**

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

All sing.



1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun doth his suc -
2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es
3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - ery tongue dwell on his
4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - oners
5 Let ev - ery crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar



1 ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from
2 throught to crown his head; his Name like sweet per -
3 love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es
4 leap to lose their chains, the wea - ry find e -
5 hon - ors to our King; an - gels de - scend with



1 shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
2 fume shall rise with ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
3 shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his Name.
4 ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.
5 songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

The Hymnal 1982 #544 "Jesus shall reign where'er the sun"

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt.

Music: *Duke Street*, John Hatton (d. 1793).

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Danza No. 4

Ludovic Lamothe (1882 - 1953).

SPR in the Community

Adult Formation: Faith in Action

A migrant from Venezuela who was in a Pilsen shelter that had to close is now living in a Hyde Park apartment, owned by Bob and Sheila Bator. Handouts detailing how you can help and support Ronald, along with information and sign-up sheets for this new program are in the narthex. Interpreters are especially needed.

Contact: Sheila Bator (sbator@aol.com).

Sandwich Making for Migrants Housed at CPD Districts 2 & 3

Last Sunday, 7 parishioners made 125 sandwiches for the migrants staying at the District 2 & 3 police stations. Many thanks to our volunteers! To get involved, come to the church kitchen any Sunday at noon.

Contact Jason Evans (jasoncoryevans@gmail.com).



Coming Up at SPR

Haiti Sunday: Today September 24

Today, **Sunday, September 24**, we celebrate our partnership with St. Patrick's Church & School in Tom Gateau, Haiti. Make sure to stay after church to enjoy a Haitian meal. To learn more, read the article on the final page of this bulletin, written by the principal of St. Patrick's School.

Children's & Youth Ministries This Sunday

- Godly Play (grades PK-2): Noah & the Ark (with arts & crafts project)
- Junior Youth Group (grades 3-5): Teamwork project (continued from last week)
- Youth Group (grades 6-12): Service project: Meal prep for migrants staying at CPD Districts 2 & 3

Adult Formation: Tell Me the Truth About Racism

On **Sunday, October 1**, at 11:10 AM, the Rev. Will Bouvel will introduce us to Tell Me the Truth About Racism, a Godly Play-inspired story series that invites people of all ages into powerful wondering about the legacy of racism in our lives, through the lens of our faith. Learn more.

KidZone (Nursery) Movie Day

Children ages 1-4 are invited to a special viewing of *The Lion King* in the KidZone on **Sunday, October 1**. Contact: Patti Lanfair (planfair@nm.org).

Blessing of the Animals

Join us **Sunday, October 1**, at 2:00 PM in the SPR garden for a blessing of the animals, in honor of the feast of St. Francis of Assisi. Creatures of every species and people of all ages are welcome to come to this brief service for a blessing!

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.

Love in a Dish: Meal Delivery

The new parents of our smallest members are grateful to receive meals as they adjust to life with their newborns. Sign up to deliver a meal:

- Julia McMillan & Brett O'Brien (55th & Hyde Park): mealtrain.com/trains/0e047z
- Jennifer Stanovich & Michael Jividen (56th & Kimbark): mealtrain.com/trains/41woq8

Jazzing Up Coffee Hour This Fall

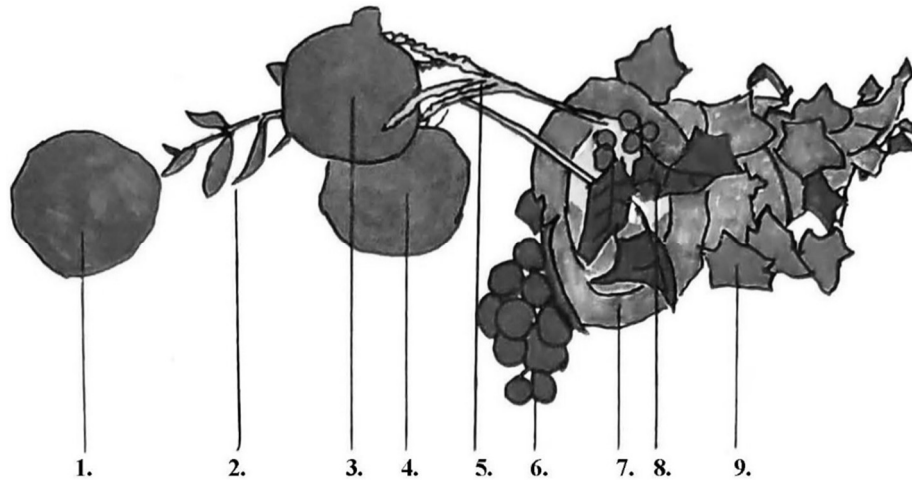
Are you ready for coffee hour after the 10:00 service to be just a bit more delicious? All church members are invited to sign up to bring one item or help with setup or cleanup. Sign up at tinyurl.com/SPRCoffee10. Contact: Cynthia Bagrowski (cbagrowski@gmail.com).

About This Week's Music

The **prelude** and **postlude** are by Ludovic Lamothe was a Haitian composer and virtuoso pianist. Born into a musical family based in Port-au-Prince, he traveled to Europe to study, and returned to the capital where he lived the rest of his life. Known for his love and exceptional skill in playing the works of Frédéric Chopin, he was given the moniker of "Black Chopin" by his Haitian colleagues. Today's offertory **anthem** is a work by Haitian composer and conductor Christopher Ducasse, who writes "'Souvenirs" is a French title that translates to "Memories". With this music, I wanted to express the feeling of remembering a specific event in the past that had a great impact on your life. Based on Haitian rhythms, "Souvenirs" has a dancing feel to it, slow, reflective, and reassuring. The repetition of the main melody many times over the course of this piece is a way to imply that no matter what happens, some memories can never be replaced, and will always be cherished. The bright and happy feel of the dancing rhythms is a way to feel the comfort of those precious memories guiding us on our way towards a brighter future." *THANK YOU to all the cellists of SPR who volunteered to make excellent music this morning!*



Cornucopia Hanging by Levi Smith



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

September 24, 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, Megan Cather

Lectors: Gabriel Lear, Becky Kruse

Intercessor: Ian Murrell

Chalice Ministers: Maureen Jesuthasan, Esther Foiles,

Tayo Adegoke, Gail Williams

Ushers: Shawn Hannan

Altar Guild: Twila Jones

Livestream: Matthew Erlec

Linen Washer: Janet Underwood

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, Dennis Kalup,

Ian Murrell, & Ariana Strahl, *Staff Singers*

Sabrina Foster, Ashley Lanfair, & Patricia Lanfair,
Nursery Teachers

Vestry

Twila Jones, *Warden*

Baiju Markose, *Clerk*

Nicholas Bellomy

Jason Evans

Anne Harlan

Rebecca Luttrell

Celia Paris

Frances Spaltro, *Warden*

Tayo Adegoke, *Treasurer*

Joshua Daniel

Jonathan Foiles

Vicky Legge

Andrew Rostan

SPR's Support of St. Patrick's in Haiti

*By Chenet Durandisse, Principal, St. Patrick's School;
translated from the French by Linda Thisted*

The management of St Patrick's School, the staff of teachers, parents and students greet all friends and supporters of SPR for their spiritual and financial support for the smooth running of the school. In my capacity as pedagogical director, I am happy to talk about the importance of SPR's support for the school's functioning.

First, having enough to eat in certain areas in Haiti is a luxury. At St Patrick's School, the children receive a hot meal three days each week. So, with food, the students are more receptive and learn better and well. The parents are happy because they know that their children will find something to eat at school. Lunch is a positive impact we provide at school.

Second, thanks to the support of SPR, teachers are paid by the hour. They are motivated because they know that at the end of each month, the 25th, they will receive their salaries. Hence the importance of SPR's support at school.

Third, having solar power in the church gives additional visibility to the church and to the school. Energy is at the service of the community for recharging telephones. People no longer need to go to the high road in search of recharging. This is very important to point out.

In summary, the support of SPR is of paramount importance for the survival of the community. We would like to take advantage of this opportunity to request two more days of lunch for the children, because they have requested it. And we hope in the future to be able to provide more support to build other classrooms, because parents are asking for secondary education at school. Then the children will no longer need to go to Léogane or Jacmel [the two nearest cities offering secondary education, each 16 miles from St. Patrick's] to continue their studies. A little extra support for teachers would also be appreciated.

We would like to thank all those who contribute, who support St. Patrick's Church & School in Belloc. We ask God to continue to bless you.

Chenet Durandisse