



THE WORLD BELOVED: A BLUEGRASS MASS
THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

CHURCH OF ST. PAUL & THE REDEEMER

JUNE 11, 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 0-4 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, Sundays after church

We welcome all ages to join our formation (Christian education) gatherings, downstairs from 11:05 to 11:50 AM:

- 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

Entrance Hymn

All sing.



1. 3. As I went down to the riv er to pray, stud-y - in' a - bout that good ol' way, and who shall wear the
2. 4. As I went down to the riv - er to pray, stud - y - in' a - bout that good ol' way, and who shall wear the

CHORUS



star - ry crown, Good Lord, show me the way. O 1. sis - ters, let's go down,
robe and crown, Good Lord, show me the way. 2. bro - thers
3. moth - ers,
4. fath - ers,



let's go down, come on down, O sis - ters, let's go down, down to the riv - er to pray.
bro - thers,
moth - ers,
fath - ers,

Welcome

+Blessed be the one, 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.

O God, from whom all good proceeds:

Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right,

and by your merciful guiding may do them;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, for ever and ever.

Please be seated.

Kyrie

Staff singer Savannah Hegyi and the Choir sings.

They say God loved the world so dear
He set aside His crown
And cloaked Himself in human shape;
They say that He came down,
And dwelt awhile among us here.
He came on down.

Mercy!
Oh, Kyrie! Have mercy! Oh, Christe!
Mercy, Oh mercy, eleison, eleison.
Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison
Kyrie eleison, have mercy on creation!
Christe eleison, have mercy on our souls!

Music: Ballade: "Refrain" & "Kyrie," from "The World Beloved: A Bluegrass Mass," Carol Barnett (b. 1947).
Text: Marisha Chamberlain (b. 1954), & trad., alt.

The Lessons

Hebrew Bible (Old Testament) Reading

A reading from the book of Genesis.

Genesis 12:1-9

Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother's son Lot, and all the possessions that they had gathered, and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran; and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. Then the LORD appeared to Abram, and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him. From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the LORD and invoked the name of the LORD. And Abram journeyed on by stages toward the Negeb.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gloria

The Choristers and Choir sing.

A child walked forth on Eden's way,
A child stretched out her hand.
O, may I taste the apple tree
And take to understand
The fruit of knowledge in my mouth,
And know of God firsthand?

Glory be to God on high,
Who launched the sunlight, loosed the rain,
Who scattered stars across the sky,
Who piled the mountains, rolled the plains,
Who spilled the rivers and the seas.
Oh Glory be, oh Glory be.

Glory be to God below,
For feather, fur, for scale and fin,
For vine uptwisting, blossom's fire,
For muscle, sinew, nerve and skin
And every feature set aglow
Oh, Glory be to God below.

Oh Glory be for peace on earth,
And prayerful be the human heart
That has required a Savior's birth
To make of earth heav'ns counterpart,
So strife might stop and warring cease.
Oh, Glory be for peace, oh, be for peace.

Oh, Glory be the generous hand
Who left us to our work, and care,
Who gave us only few commands
But that we help each other bear
Life's burdens. Pain and suffering ease.
Oh, Glory be, oh, Glory be.

Music: Ballad: First Verse & Gloria from "The World Beloved: A Bluegrass Mass," Carol Barnett (b. 1947).
Text: Marisha Chamberlain (b. 1954).

Epistle (New Testament) Reading

A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

Romans 4:13-25

The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") –in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of

Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

As I went down to the riv-er to pray, stud-y - in' a-bout that good ol' way, and who shall wear the

star - ry crown, Good Lord, show me the way. **CHORUS** O sin - ners, let's go down, let's go down,

come on down, O sin - ners, let's go down, down to the riv - er to pray.

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 9:9-13, 18-26

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me."

And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well."

And instantly the woman was made well. When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread throughout that district.

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 Megan Cather and Lindsey Strieter. 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. Catherine Healy, *Rector*

Creed

Please remain seated.

The Choir sings.

Oh, I do believe a place awaits us far across the Jordan
And when we reach those mossy bank we'll cast aside our oars.
Row on, row on, we're crossing River Jordan.
Row on, and no one goes alone.

Oh, I do believe a place awaits us high above the mountains
And when we reach that highest peak, we'll spread our wings and soar.
Climb on, climb on, we're climbing Jacob's ladder.
Climb on, climb on, and no one goes alone.

Oh, I do believe a resting place awaits us, 'cross the Jordan.
We'll toss our coats, throw off our hats and take the seat of ease.
And it's not the seat of riches and it's not the seat of power,
Row on, row on, and no one goes alone.

Music: Credo from "The World Beloved: A Bluegrass Mass," Carol Barnett (b. 1947).

Text: Marisha Chamberlain (b. 1954).

Prayers of the People

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

God of our ancestors, we remember you called Abraham to go to a land he did not know and promised him you would meet him there. Help us to extend your presence to those who have recently arrived in our city and country.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

God of the seasons, we give thanks for the arrival of the summer and the slower rhythms it can bring. We pray that tempers might not rise with the temperatures and that violence will not mar our city. We pray also for wisdom for all our elected leaders as they strive for the common good.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

God who journeys with us, as we reflect upon the end of another year in our life together, we give you thanks for all the ways you have shown up in our midst and pray that you would continue to knit us together in unity.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

God of our joys, be with all those celebrating birthdays, including **Simon** Lane (6/11), **Linda** Thisted (6/11), **Abby** Jonker (6/12), **Curtis** Myers (6/12), **Katharine** Christensen (6/13), **Nancy** Smith (6/13), **Christopher** Hines (6/15), **Willa** Pereira (6/15), **Sammy** Fackenthal (6/16), **Rachel** Knight (6/16), **Lucia** Muthu (6/16), **David** Reinhart (6/16), **John** Robinson (6/16), **Sarah** Dassinger (6/17), and those celebrating anniversaries, including **Jack & Lucille** Wehner (6/14), **Elaine & Patrick** Wackerly (6/15), and **Vance & Diane** Lauderdale (6/17).

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

God of our sorrows, may your healing presence be among all those suffering in body, mind, or spirit, including **Penny** Piantedosi (sister of Valerie Tonsgard), **Eric** Scharf (friend of John Adewoye), **Pa** Yusuf (grand-uncle of John Omoworare), **Alarra** Tozin (friend of Twila Jones), **Naomi** Haynes, **Mel** Hodder (brother-in-law of Mary Naftzger), **Brenden** Jones (godson of Cecilia Mowatt), all those on our prayer list, and their caregivers.

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

God of eternity, we remember our beloved dead, including **Wendell** Parker (cousin of Twila Jones, 6/4/2023), **Lonnie** Haynes (husband of Naomi Haynes, 6/12/1998), and **Mary** Dekowski (sister of Vicky Legge, 6/15/2022).

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 and loving God, in your compassion uphold us by your Spirit, that we may live and serve you in newness of life; to the honor and glory of your Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayers written by Jonathan Foiles.

Prayer List: Alarra Tozin (friend of Twila Jones), Pa Yusuf (grand-uncle of John Omowore), Eric Scharf (friend of John Adewoye), Hilton Clark (friend of Cecilia Mowatt), Rosalyn Hill (friend of Cecilia Mowatt), Alphonso Guerrero (nephew of Cecilia Mowatt), Brenden Jones (godson of Cecilia Mowatt), Myra Garcia (friend of Robert and Sheila Bator), Pamela Anderson, D. Maria Neighbors, Rahsaan Clark Morris, Marian Elliott, Naomi Haynes, Ann Rigney (friend of Mary Naftzger), Mel Hodder (brother-in-law of Mary Naftzger), Dan Goering (brother of Barbra Goering), Barbara Brown (sister of Crystal Plummer), Jake Dombroski (friend of Ryan Bailey), Amelia Damm (grandniece of Lisa Rademacher), Tim Brown (cousin of Maureen Jesuthasan), and William Jenkins (uncle of Twila Jones), 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

Art Thou Weary?

Music: from "The World Beloved: A Bluegrass Mass," Carol Barnett (b. 1947).

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:

The Choir sings.

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus.

Dominus Deus Sabaoth;

Pleni sunt coeli et terra Gloria tua.

Hosanna in excelsis.

Music: Sanctus from "The World Beloved: A Bluegrass Mass," Carol Barnett (b. 1947).

Text: trad.

Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting, and your faithfulness endures from age to age. All creation sings your praise. Sun, moon, and stars reflect your glory. Mountains, lakes, and forests declare your wonders.

With Sarah and Abraham, we go out in faith, trusting your promise. With Miriam and Moses, we celebrate our deliverance from bondage. With Naomi and Ruth, we bind ourselves together in covenant love. With Jonathan and David, we delight in the gift of deep and abiding friendship. With Mary and Elizabeth, we welcome your presence in the birth of Jesus, the Holy One. With Lazarus, Martha, and Mary we give thanks for the blessings of family. With disciples and followers, we marvel at the reign of God come near. With saints through the ages, we ponder the mystery of Christ's dying and rising.

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."

With hearts full of memories and hopes, we break this bread and share this cup, remembering the death and resurrection of Christ, and his promise to be with us always as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

O Divine Lover, you are the breath within us. You are our heart's desire. You are our priceless treasure. You are the garden of paradise.

Come down, O Love divine. Come among us, O passionate Fire. Come within us, O spirit of unity.

Bless us, O Lord, and these are your gifts, which we are about to receive from your bounty. Bless our table and the feast we share. Bless us with gladness of heart.

At this table, make us your body. Form us to be people of justice and peace. Fill us with gratitude and generosity that we may bear the fruit of love in word and deed.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Praise to you, Author of creation. Praise to you, O Beloved One. Praise to you, O Giver of all good things. Praise to you, blessed and holy Trinity, one God, now and forever. **AMEN.**

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

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.

Cantor

O Lamb of God that tak - est a - way the sins of the

world, have mer - cy, have mer - cy on us. _____

All

O Lamb of God that tak - est a - way the sins of the

world, have mer - cy, have mer - cy on us. _____ O Lamb of

Cantor

All

God that tak - est a - way the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

Music: *Enriching our Music, Vol. 1* from *Missa Appalachia*, Jonathan Dimmock (b. 1957).

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.

Communion Music

Played by the band.

I am Weary (Let Me Rest)

Pete Roberts (1983-2017).

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.**

Benediction

The Choir sings.

Blessings be upon your heads.
Bless the living, bless the dead.
Blessings be upon you, my people.
Blessing so that you may go
Lightly through this world of woe.
Blessing be upon you, my people.
Blessings, and may you embrace
God in guise of human grace.
Blessings now and forever.

Music: Benediction from "The World Beloved: A Bluegrass Mass," Carol Barnett (b. 1947).
Text: Marisha Chamberlain (b. 1954).

The Presider blesses the people.

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us her children through the resurrection of Jesus Christ our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of her blessing. And the blessing of God, + who watches over us, walks beside us, and dwells within us, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

All sing.

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. It begins with an 'Intro' section consisting of four measures. The lyrics are: '1. Some glad morn - ing when this life is o'er, I'll fly a - way; To a home on / 2. When the shad - ows of this life have gone, Like a bird from / 3. Just a few more wea - ry days and then, To a land where'. This is followed by a 'CHORUS' section with lyrics: 'God's ce - les - tial shore, I'll fly a - way. I'll fly a - way, O glo - ry, I'll fly a - way; / pris - on bars has flown, joys shall nev - er end,'. The final line of the score includes a first ending (1. 2.) with a four-measure rest, a section to '3. Repeat Chorus', and an 'Ending' section.

Music and Text: *I'll fly away*, Albert E. Brumley (1905-1977).

Staff singer Savannah Hegyi sings.

They say God loved the world so dear
She set aside Her crown
And cloaked Herself in human shape;
They say that She came down,
And dwelt awhile among us here.
She came on down.

Music: Conclusion from "The World Beloved: A Bluegrass Mass," Carol Barnett (b. 1947).
Text: Marisha Chamberlain (b. 1954).

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!
Thanks be to God!

Postlude

I'll Fly Away (Reprise)
Albert E. Brumley (1905-1977).



Coming Up at SPR

End-of-Year Celebration for Children & Youth

After the Bluegrass Mass today, on **Sunday, June 11**, we will have an end-of-year celebration for all children and youth (treats and bouncy house included!). For details or to help out, contact Lindsey Strieter (lstriete@gmail.com).

Church Directories Available

New SPR directories are here! You can now pick one up in the back of church. If there is an error in your contact information, or an update needs to be made, please reach out to Barnabas Pusnur (pusnur@sprchicago.org).

Save the Date:

100th Birthday Celebration for Naomi Haynes

Naomi Haynes cordially invites everyone at SPR to attend her 100th birthday celebration weekend, with a party on **Saturday, June 24, from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM** in the church sanctuary and a festive coffee hour on **Sunday, June 25, after the 10:00 service** in the parish hall. All are welcome to attend either or both. For Saturday's party, please RSVP on the clipboard in the narthex. Happy birthday, Naomi!



About This Week's Music & Musicians

(In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us... I John 4:7)

From the Composer, Carol Barnett:

The World Beloved: A Bluegrass Mass – To bring the solemnity of the classical choir-based mass together with the down home sparkle of bluegrass—now there's an assignment. My highest hope is that listeners coming from one tradition— classical or bluegrass—and perhaps dubious about the other, might discover something new and wonderful in the combination, as I have. Composing the music for The World Beloved has given me the chance to write cheery sacred music— all too rare in a medium rife with staid and even lugubrious settings. And it's brought me back to memories of music heard while visiting my grandparents, country music with a church flavor that told stories and came out of a scratchy old record player. Grandma would not have allowed dancing, but under the table I tapped my toes.

From the Librettist, Marisha Chamberlain:

If you Google the term Bluegrass Mass, you'll get Websites for several churches across the country who add Bluegrass music to enliven their worship services. Great Bluegrass music is infectious and lively, so it's easy to see why any church would want to add Bluegrass, but why call it a Bluegrass Mass unless there's liturgy, too—a text in the Bluegrass tradition? Bluegrass is more than a sound. The lyrics of so many Bluegrass songs display an unpretentious, earthy philosophy that is easy to sing and easy to understand: Adam lives just up the street and Eve's the girl next door. Love is the major theme—frustrated yearning love, secret, satisfied love or boldly proclaimed love. And although romantic love between two people is huge in Bluegrass, so is love of God, the Gospel tradition. In this is love, not that we loved God but that He loved us, says John in the Gospel, which launches our Bluegrass Mass as an earthy, immediate story of love between Creator and creation.

Welcome and thank you to our guest musicians, whose contributions to our worship at SPR are supported through the Music Fund:

Max Allard, Banjo
Otto Allard, Mandolin
Billy Oh, Fiddle
Michael Pettersen, Guitar
Aaron Smith, Bass

Gratitude to Our Choirs

We are so thankful to our extraordinary choirs for their contributions to our worship this program year!

St. Nicholas Choir (directed by Megan Cather):

Clare Canapary Healy, Theodore Cather, Irene Daniel, Rosemary Evans, Margot Jividen, Frannie Lovallo, Dhyan Markose, Prarthana Markose, Annie Osborne, Ilsa Paris-McAuley, Marek Prochaska, Ever Strong, Lucas Swift

Choristers (directed by Mark Bilyeu):

Edith Bagrowski, Thomas Cather, Etta Chipman, Agnes Daniel, Nicholas Muthu, Lucy Osborne, Layla Prochaska, Mattias Prochaska, Ellie Wildenberg, Harper Wildenberg

Adult Choirs (directed by Mark Bilyeu):

Kate Baldwin, Jacqueline Corey, Antoinette Daniels, Fred Donner, David Fleeer[^], Barbra Goering, Harold Hartger[^], Susan Hartger[^], Savannah Hegyi*, Thomas Irving, Dennis Kalup*, Maureen Kelleher, Vance Lauderdale, Sophie Littleton, Sandy Mulholland, Ian Murrell*, Wendy Olmsted, James Osborne, Carolyn Pereira, Ariana Strahl*, Sem Sutter, Kerstin Wellbery, Ruth Woll

* denotes staff singers

[^]denotes music librarian

Serving Today

June 11, 2023 | 10:00 AM

Presider: The Rev. Barnabas Pusnur

Preacher: The Rev. Catherine Healy

Deacon: The Rev. Jack Seymour

Music Leaders: Mark Bilyeu

Children's Chapel Leaders: Lindsey Strieter,
Megan Cather

Lectors: Camille Long, Eva Nielsen

Prayer Writer: Jonathan Foiles

Prayer Reader: Maureen Jesuthasan

Chalice Ministers: Peggy Johnson, Gabriel Lear,
Frances Spaltro, Tayo Adegoke

Vestry Greeter: Anne Harlan

Ushers: George Chlipala

Communion Bread Baker: Jim Tonsgard

Livestream: Matthew Erlec

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*

Lukasz Jedrzejewski, *Sexton*

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

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.

Shoemith Elementary School

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

Syrian Community Network

Each year, SPR sponsors a newly resettled refugee family from Syria through visits, tutoring and more.



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