



ST. PAUL'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Proper 23
October 12, 2025



St. Paul's Episcopal Church
711 South Saginaw St., Flint, Michigan 48502
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Morning Prayer: Rite Two

Officiant: Tom Shriver

Prelude:

Fanfare on McKee

C. Callahan

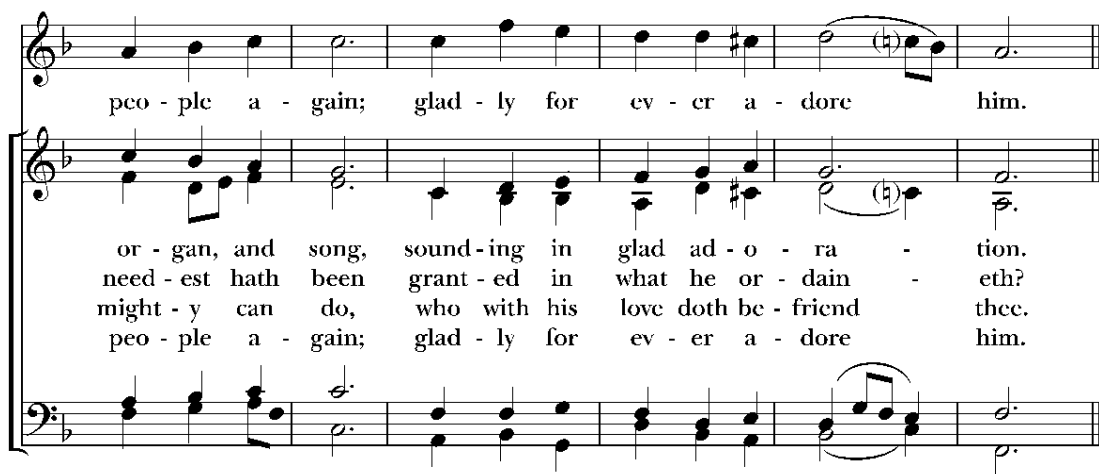
Opening Hymn:

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Hymn 390

Descant

4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -
1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
2 Praise to the Lord; o - ver all things he glo - rious - ly
3 Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy way and de -
4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -
dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with
a - tion; O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
reign - eth: borne as on ea - gle - wings, safe - ly his
fend thee; sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall
dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with
prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound— from his
health and sal - va - tion: join the great throng, psal - ter - y,
saints he sus - tain - eth. Hast thou not seen how all thou
ev - er at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -
prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his



Officiant:

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord." *Psalms 122:1*

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ. *Philippians 1:2*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Officiant and People together, all kneeling

Most merciful God,
 we confess that we have sinned against you
 in thought, word, and deed,
 by what we have done,
 and by what we have left undone.
 We have not loved you with our whole heart;
 we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
 We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
 For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
 have mercy on us and forgive us;
 that we may delight in your will,
 and walk in your ways,
 to the glory of your Name. Amen.

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

The Invitatory and Psalter

All stand

Lord, open our lips.
 And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: Come let us adore him.

Venite Psalm 95:1-7

Hymn S 35

Come, let us sing to the Lord; *
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, *
and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *
and the heights of the hills are his also.
The sea is his, for he made it, *
and his hands have molded the dry land.
Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

Gospel Choir

Every Praise

At the end of the Psalms is sung or said

The Lessons

First Reading: 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c

Margaret Powell

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy."

When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel?"

Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."

Canticle 13 **A Song of Praise** *Benedictus es, Domine*

Hymn S 236

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; *
 you are worthy of praise; glory to you.
Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; *
 we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; *
 on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.
Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; *
 we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you, beholding the depths; *
 in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.
Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; *
 we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 2:8-15

Joel Arnold

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David~ that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure:

 If we have died with him, we will also live with him;
 if we endure, we will also reign with him;
 if we deny him, he will also deny us;
 if we are faithless, he remains faithful~
 for he cannot deny himself.

Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

Canticle 21

Hymn S 288

1 You are God: we praise you;
 You are the Lord: we acclaim you;
2 You are the eternal Father:
 All creation worships you.

- 3 To you all angels, all the powers of heaven,
Cherubim and Seraphim, sing in endless praise:
- 4 Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
- 5 The glorious company of apostles praise you.
The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.
The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.
- 6 Throughout the world the holy Church acclaims you;
Father, of majesty unbounded,
your true and only Son, worthy of all worship,
and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.
- 7 You, Christ, are the king of glory,
the eternal Son of the Father.
- 8 When you became man to set us free
you did not shun the Virgin's womb.
- 9 You overcame the sting of death
and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.
- 10 You are seated at God's right hand in glory.
We believe that you will come and be our judge.
- 11 Come then, Lord, and help your people,
bought with the price of your own blood,
- 12 and bring us with your saints
to glory everlasting.

Gospel Choir

You Reign

Third Reading: Luke 17:11-19

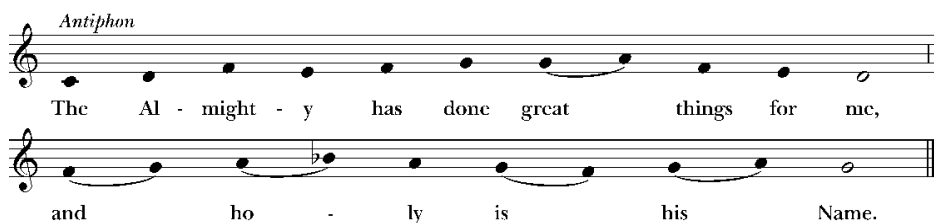
Max Karpov

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

Canticle 15: The Song of Mary

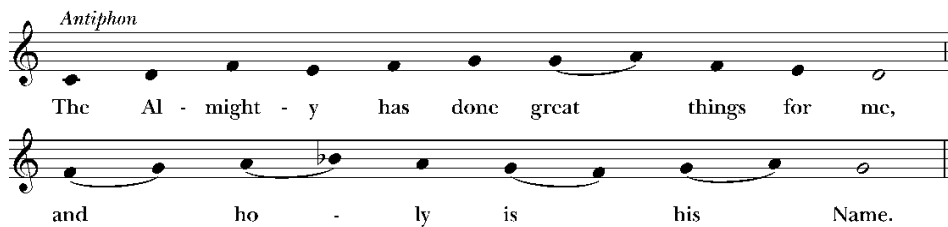
Magnificat

Hymn S 242

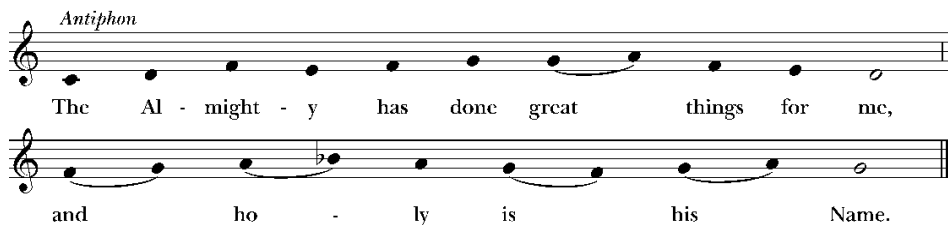


- 1 My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior;
for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.

- 2 From this day all generations will call me blessed:
the Almighty has done great things for me,
and holy is his Name.
- 3 He has mercy on those who fear him
in every generation.
- 4 He has shown the strength of his arm,
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.
- 5 He has cast down the mighty from their thrones,
and has lifted up the lowly.
- 6 He has filled the hungry with good things,
and the rich he has sent away empty.
- 7 He has come to the help of his servant Israel,
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,
- 8 The promise he made to our fathers,
to Abraham and his children for ever.



- 9 Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
- 10 As it was in the beginning, is now,
and will be for ever. Amen.



The Sermon

Rebecca Bennett

The Apostles' Creed *all standing*

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 *The People stand or kneel*

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
R. **And grant us your salvation.**
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
R. **Let your people sing with joy.**
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
R. **For only in you can we live in safety.**
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
R. **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**
V. Let your way be known upon earth;
R. **Your saving health among all nations.**
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
R. **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
R. **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

The Officiant then says the following Collects

The Collect of the Day

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Collect from the Galatian Sacramentary

May God, the Lord, bless us and make us perfect and holy in his sight. May the riches of his glory abound in us. May he instruct us with the word of truth, inform us with the gospel of salvation, and enrich us with his love: through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Ancient Irish Collect

Bless all who worship you, almighty God, from the rising of the sun to its setting: from your goodness enrich us, by your love inspire us, by your Spirit guide us, by your power protect us, in your mercy receive us, now and always. **Amen.**

Prayer from the Didache

Father, we thank you who have planted your holy name within our hearts. Knowledge and faith and life immortal Jesus your son to us imparts. You Lord, have made all for your pleasure, You give us food for all our days, Giving in Christ the bread eternal; Yours is the power, and yours the praise. Watch over your church, O Lord, in mercy, Save it from evil, guard it still, Perfect it in your love, unite it, Cleansed and conformed unto your will. **Amen.**

We pray also for those on our prayer list,_____.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. *The People may add their own petitions.*

Amen.

Announcements and Prayers

The Offertory

Offertory Anthem:

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven

Hymn 410

Doxology: (verse 3 Hymn 380)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

V. All things come of thee, O Lord.

R. **And of thine own have we given thee.** (1 Chr. 29:14)

The General Thanksgiving

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all

the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

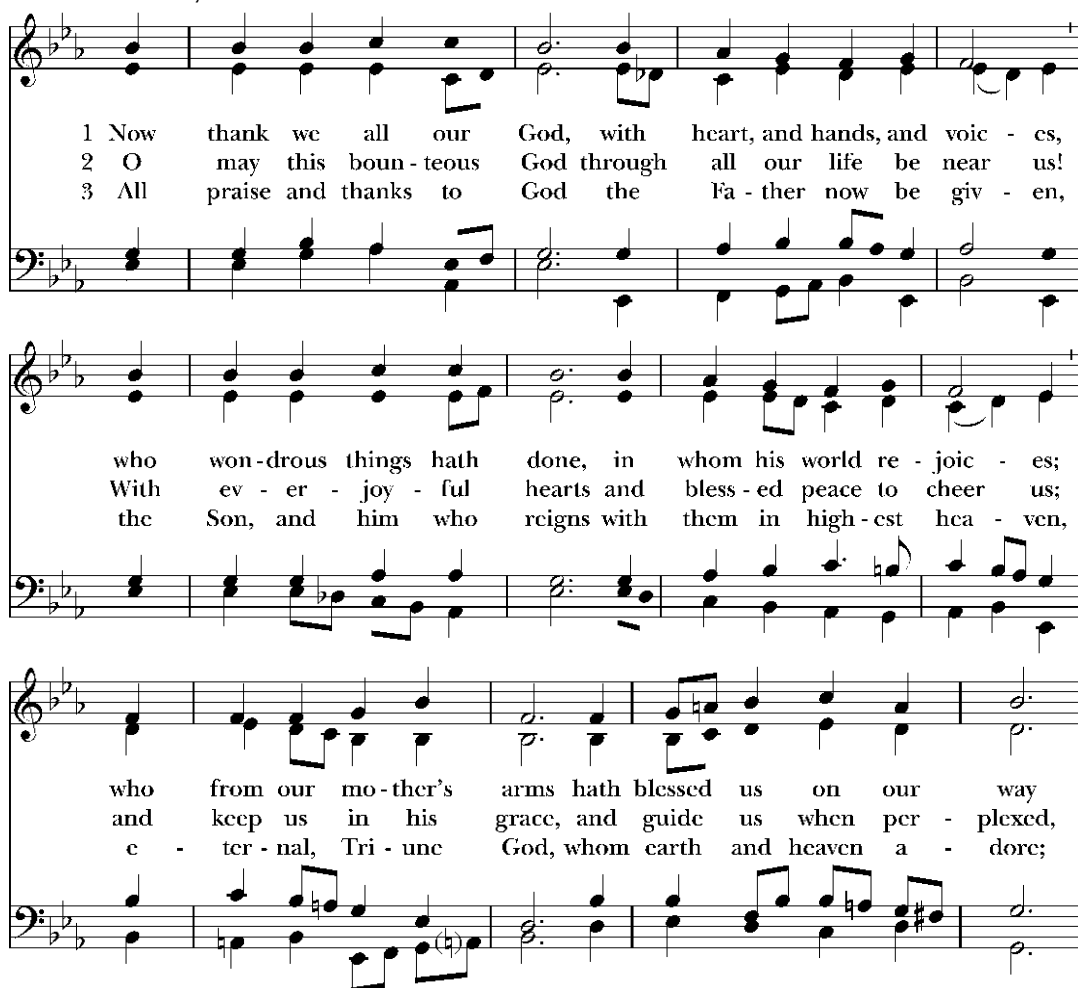
Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.** 2 Corinthians 13:14

Recessional Hymn:

Hymn 397



1 Now thank we all our God, with heart, and hands, and voice - cs,
2 O may this boun - teous God through all our life be near us!
3 All praise and thanks to God the Fa - ther now be giv - en,

who won - drous things hath done, in whom his world re - joic - es;
With ev - er - joy - ful hearts and bless - ed peace to cheer us;
the Son, and him who reigns with them in high - est hea - ven,

who from our mo - ther's arms hath blessed us on our way
and keep us in his grace, and guide us when per - plexed,
e - ter - nal, Tri - unc God, whom earth and heaven a - dore;



Postlude:

Postlude on Two Spirituals

C. Callahan

This Week at St. Paul's

Sunday	11:30	Diversity Meeting
	4:00	NCC Concert
Monday	7:00	NCC Rehearsal
Tuesday	3:00	GISD Tutoring and After School Time
	5:30	Bell Choir Rehearsal
	7:00	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday	12:10	Noonday Mass
	12:45	Weekly Bible Study
	4:00	Loss-Grief Support Group (Bridal Room)
	6:00	St. Paul's Movie Night
Thursday	10:00	Common Threads
	1:00	GHS Trans Support Group
	4:30	Evensong Rehearsal
	6:00	Evensong Service
	7:00	Gospel Choir Rehearsal
Friday	5:00	Cuthbertson-Twine Rehearsal, Dinner
Saturday	9:30	Thomas Gouwens - Organ Rehearsal
	12:00	Cuthbertson-Twine Wedding

On the Cover: *Ten Lepers Healed*, By William West.

Liturgical Note: **Canticles** are non-metrical songs used in liturgical worship. They are drawn from biblical texts other than the Psalter. The term is derived from the Latin canticulum, a "little song." In practice, canticles are sung or said in worship.

In our diocesan cycle of prayer:

For the Diocesan Convention at the Horizons Center in Saginaw this year
 Diocesan Council Members of the Episcopal Diocese of the Great Lakes
 The Diocesan Staff of the Episcopal Diocese of the Great Lakes

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