

**St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast
Foley, Alabama
October 6, 2024**

HYMNS

Now thank we all our God	Hymnal 1982 #397
As those of old	Hymnal 1982 #705
Be thou my vision	Hymnal 1982 #488
Take my life and let it be	Hymnal 1982 #707

Now thank we all our God

**1 Now thank we all our God, with heart, and hands, and voices,
who wondrous things hath done, in whom his world rejoices;
who from our mother's arms hath blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.**

**2 O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us!
with ever-joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
and keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.**

**3 All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,
the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven,
eternal, Triune God, whom earth and heaven adore;
for thus it was, is now, and shall be, evermore.**

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Glory to God in the highest

Hymnal 1982 #S280

Glory to the highest and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the Glory of God the Father. Amen.

LESSONS

A reading from Genesis 2:18-24

The LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." So out of the ground the LORD God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken."

Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

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

***People* Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 8 *Read responsively by whole verse*

1 O LORD our Governor, *

how exalted is your Name in all the world!

**2 Out of the mouths of infants and children *
your majesty is praised above the heavens.**

3 You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, *
to quell the enemy and the avenger.

**4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, *
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,**

5 What is man that you should be mindful of him? *
the son of man that you should seek him out?

**6 You have made him but little lower than the angels; *
you adorn him with glory and honor;**

7 You give him mastery over the works of your hands; *
you put all things under his feet:

**8 All sheep and oxen, *
even the wild beasts of the field,**

9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, *
and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.

**10 O LORD our Governor, *
how exalted is your Name in all the world!**

A reading Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere, "What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, subjecting all things under their feet." Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything

in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

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People Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL

7:30 am Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go.

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according Mark.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Mark 10:2-16

Some Pharisees came, and to test Jesus they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." But Jesus said to them, "Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female.' 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one flesh.

Presider The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

As those of old

**As those of old their first fruits brought of vineyard, flock, and field
to God, the giver of all good, the source of bounteous yield;
so we today our first fruits bring, the wealth of this good land,
of farm and market, shop and home, of mind, and heart, and hand.**

**2 A world in need now summons us to labor, love, and give;
to make our life an offering to God that all may live;
the Church of Christ is calling us to make the dream come true:
a world redeemed by Christ-like love; all life in Christ made new.**

**3 With gratitude and humble trust we bring our best to thee
to serve thy cause and share thy love with all humanity.
O thou who gavest us thyself in Jesus Christ thy Son,
help us to give ourselves each day until life's work is done.**

Be thou my vision

**1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
all else be nought to me, save that thou art—
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.**

**2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou my great Father; thine own may I be;
thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.**

**3 High King of heaven, when victory is won,
may I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.**

Take my life and it be

**1 Take my life, and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days,
let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my hands, and let them move
at the impulse of thy love;
take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.**

**2 Take my voice, and let me sing
always, only, for my King;
take my intellect, and use
every power as thou shalt choose.
Take my will, and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine.
Take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For healing: Adriene, Al, Amber, Amy, Arlene, Becky, Bev, Carol, Charles, David, Debbie, Dennis, Donna, Doug, Elsie Claire, Helen, Jake, Jan, Jerry, Joan, Joanna, Joey, John, Judith, Judy, Julie, Kate, Kay, Kirsten, Larry, Lee, Leigh, Leslie, Linda, Lulu, Lynn, Margaret, Marie, Massey, Meg, Mike, Milton, Morgan, Ralph, Rebecca, Rita, Ron, Sandy, Sarah, Sherry, Stan, Stephanie, Steve, Tim, Tony, Tracie, Vera, Wayne and those who care for them.

For those serving in the military: Kevin, Gerromy, Chris, Noel, Drew, Dalton, Kyle, Brad, Ben, Taylor, Jacob, Andrew, Neil, Wayne & those serving with them.

For those in prison: for the prisoners, staff and families of prisoners and staff at Dale County Jail, Ozark, AL.

SAINT PAUL'S THIS WEEK

TODAY

- 7:30 am Holy Eucharist
- 9 am Formation Class
- 9 am Choir Practice
- 10 am Holy Eucharist
- 7 pm NA Meeting

MONDAY

- Noon NA Meeting
- 8 pm AA Meeting

TUESDAY

- 10 am ECW Meeting

WEDNESDAY

- 10:30 Pastor Brent's Bible Study
- Noon Holy Eucharist with

Healing

- 3:15 pm to 4:15 pm Children's Choir Practice
- 5 pm to 6 pm Choir Practice
- 7 pm NA Open Meeting

THURSDAY

- 10 am Galilean Meeting
- Noon NA Meeting
- 4pm Women's Bible Study
- 6 pm AA Meeting
- 8 pm AA Open Meeting

SATURDAY

- 10 am AA Meeting

REMEMBER EMI WHEN YOU SHOP

Tuna, Syrup, Pancake mix , Mashed potatoes, Rice and BBQ sauce

BLESSING BOX

Our Blessing Box is in need of donations of food and toiletries. Drop off on Sunday's in the Parish Hall or in the office during the week. You are always welcomed to put food & supplies directly into the Blessing Box

TRASH AND TREASURE SALE ON OCTOBER 19th

The Trash & Treasure Sale will be on Saturday, Oct 19 from 8 am until 2ish. You may bring items to the office for storage between 9 & 4 Monday through Thursday or on Friday Oct 18 to the Parish Hall. Volunteers are needed to organize and price items on the 18 & to assist in sales on Oct 19. Contact Helen Lambard for more information

LAY DELEGATES TO ANNUAL CONVENTION NEEDED

St. Paul's needs to Lay Delegates to represent us at the Annual Convention of the Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast which will be held in Fort Walton Beach, February 21 and 22. If you would like to be a part of this ministry please contact either Pastor Brent or Karen Walters, Sr. Warden.

CLAY SHOOT INFORMATION AVAILABLE

The Clay Shoot will be on Nov 2 at the Santa Rosa Shooting Center. There are forms available for sponsorships in the Parish Hall 7 the church office. There are a variety of sponsorship levels and volunteer opportunities available. Please contact Howard Krauss 251 454-4214, Brian Lehmann 251 752-2262 or Kenneth Maidment 251 923-8304.

HELP NEEDED TO DECORATE A FLOAT FOR THE KIWANIS CHRISTMAS PARADE

St. Paul's has the opportunity to have a float in this year's Kiwanis Christmas Parade. If that sounds like something fun that you would like to be a part of let Pastor Brent know so we can start planning.

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