

St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast
Foley, Alabama
July 7, 2024

HYMNS

Blessed Jesus at your word

Renew Songbook #93

Lord I lift your name on high

Renew Songbook #4

My God thy table

Hymnal 1982 #321

O beautiful for spacious skies

Hymnal 1982 #719

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

LESSONS

A reading from Ezekiel 2:1-5

The Lord said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord GOD." Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

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

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

Psalm 123 *Read responsively by whole verse*

1 To you I lift up my eyes, *
to you enthroned in the heavens.

**2 As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, *
and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,**

3 So our eyes look to the LORD our God, *
until he show us his mercy.

**4 Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy, *
for we have had more than enough of contempt,**

5 Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, *
and of the derision of the proud.

A reading from 2 Corinthians 12:2-10

I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows— was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.” So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

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THE GOSPEL

7:30 am Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go.

You have the words of eternal life. Alleliua.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according Mark.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Mark 6:1-13

Jesus came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

Presider The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For healing: Adriene, Al, Amy, Arlene, Carol, Charles, Debbie, Dennis, Donna, Doris, Doug, Elsie Claire, Helen, Jan, Jerry, Joan, Joey, John, Judith, Julie, Kate, Kay, Kirsten, Larry, Leigh, Leslie, Linda, Lulu, Lynn, Margaret, Marie, Massey, Meg, Michelle, Mike, Milton, Morgan, 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 Ventress Correctional Facility, Clayton, AL.

SAINT PAUL'S THIS WEEK

TODAY

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

MONDAY

- Noon NA Meeting
- 8 pm AA Meeting

WEDNESDAY

- Holy Eucharist with Healing
- 7 pm NA Open Meeting

THURSDAY Noon NA Meeting

- 6 pm AA Meeting
- 8 pm AA Open Meeting

SATURDAY

- 10 am AA Meeting

REMEMBER EMI WHEN YOU SHOP

Tuna Helper, Tuna, Ramen Noodles and Rice.

BLESSING BOX-WE ARE RUNNING LOW

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.

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