



Saint Paul's Parish

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The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 24, 2025

Preacher & Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Nathaniel Jung-Chul Lee

8:00 am - Healing & Holy Eucharist

We extend a warm welcome to everyone who has joined us this morning.
We pray you experience the presence and love of Christ
as we worship together!

Saint Paul's Staff

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The Rev. Dr. Nathaniel Jung-Chul Lee

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Prelude

“Prelude in F, Op. 39, No. 1”

Alexandre Guilmant

All stand as able

Opening Hymn

“Morning has broken”

[Hymnal 8](#)

The Word of the Lord

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria in excelsis *(Please stand as able)* “Glory to God”

Hymnal S-280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you

take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy

on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,

you a - lone are the Lord, 7. 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.

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The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray together. **Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

The word of the LORD came to me saying,

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,
and before you were born I consecrated you;
I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy."
But the LORD said to me,

"Do not say, 'I am only a boy';
for you shall go to all to whom I send you,
and you shall speak whatever I command you,
Do not be afraid of them,
for I am with you to deliver you,

says the LORD."

Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me,

"Now I have put my words in your mouth.
See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms,
to pluck up and to pull down,
to destroy and to overthrow,
to build and to plant."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 71:1-6 *Responsively by half verse*

In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; *
let me never be ashamed.

In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; *
incline your ear to me and save me.

Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; *
you are my crag and my stronghold.

Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, *
from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.

For you are my hope, O Lord GOD, *
my confidence since I was young.

I have been sustained by you ever since I was born;
from my mother's womb you have been my strength; *
my praise shall be always of you.

The Epistle

Hebrews 12:18-29

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken-- that is, created things-- so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Response "Word of God, come down on Earth"

Word of God, come down on Earth, living rain from heaven descending;
Touch our hearts and bring to birth faith and hope and love unending.
Word almighty, we revere you; Word made flesh, we long to hear you.

(Response continues on next page)

Word eternal, throned on high, Word that brought to life creation,
Word that came from heaven to die, crucified for our salvation,
Saving Word, the world restoring, speak to us, your love outpouring.

Words: James Quinn (1919-2010); Music: *Liebster Jesu*, Johann Rudolph Ahle (1625-1673); harm. George Herbert Palmer (1846-1926)

(Please stand as able for the Gospel)

The Gospel

Luke 13:10-17

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: **Glory to You, Lord Christ.**

Now Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Gospel Response "Word of God, come down on Earth"

Word that caused blind eyes to see, speak and heal our mortal blindness;
Deaf we are: our healer be; loose our tongues to tell your kindness.
Be our Word in pity spoken; heal the world, by our sin broken.

The Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Nathaniel Jung-Chul Lee

The Nicene Creed *(Please stand as able)*

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Litany of Healing

Please stand, sit, or kneel as able for the prayers.

Celebrant: Let us name before God those for whom we offer our prayers.

The people offer names either silently or aloud.

Intercessor: Let us offer our prayers for God's healing, saying, "Have mercy."

Intercessor: Holy God, source of health and salvation,

All: Have mercy.

Intercessor: Holy and Mighty, wellspring of abundant life,

All: Have mercy.

Intercessor: Holy Immortal One, protector of the faithful,

All: Have mercy.

Intercessor: Holy Trinity, the source of all wholeness,

All: Have mercy.

Intercessor: Grant your grace to heal those who are sick, we pray to you, O God,

All: Have mercy.

Intercessor: Give courage and faith to all who are disabled through injury or illness, we pray to you, O God,

All: Have mercy.

Intercessor: Comfort, relieve, and heal all sick children, we pray to you, O God,

All: Have mercy.

Intercessor: Give courage to all who await surgery, we pray to you, O God,

All: Have mercy.

Intercessor: Support and encourage those who live with chronic illness, we pray to you, O God,

All: Have mercy.

Intercessor: Strengthen those who endure continual pain, and give them hope, we pray to you, O God,

All: Have mercy.

Intercessor: Grant the refreshment of peaceful sleep to all who suffer, we pray to you, O God,

All: Have mercy.

Intercessor: Befriend all who are anxious, lonely, despondent, or afraid, we pray to you,
O God,
All: Have mercy.

Intercessor: Restore those with mental illness to clarity of mind and hopefulness of
heart, we pray to you, O God,
All: Have mercy.

Intercessor: Give rest to the weary, and hold the dying in your loving arms, we pray to
you, O God,
All: Have mercy.

Intercessor: Help us to prepare for death with confident expectation and hope of Easter
joy, we pray to you, O God,
All: Have mercy.

Intercessor: For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, especially for Bobby
Payne, in whose memory the altar flowers are given; and for all the
departed, we pray to you, O God,
All: Have mercy.

Intercessor: Give your wisdom and compassion to health care workers, that they may
minister to the sick and dying with knowledge, skill, and kindness, we pray
to you, O God,
All: Have mercy.

Intercessor: Uphold those who keep watch with the sick, we pray to you, O God,
All: Have mercy.

Intercessor: Guide those who search for the causes and cures of sickness and disease, we
pray to you, O God,
All: Have mercy.

Intercessor: Jesus, Lamb of God,
All: Have mercy.

Intercessor: Jesus, bearer of our sins,
All: Have mercy.

Intercessor: Jesus, redeemer of the world,
All: Have mercy.

Intercessor: We pray for those around us who need your care, and ask that you would make of us your instruments of healing, peace and redemption. We pray especially for those we have named to you this day, and others we lift to you in the silence of our hearts.

(Please add your own intercessions or thanksgivings out loud or in the silence of your heart.)

Celebrant: Compassionate God: You so loved the world that you sent us Jesus to bear our infirmities and afflictions. Through acts of healing, he revealed you as the true source of health and salvation. For the sake of your Christ who suffered and died for us, conquered death, and now reigns with you in glory, hear the cry of your people. Have mercy on us, make us whole, and bring us at last into the fullness of your eternal life. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Please kneel as able

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
Silence may be kept.

All: 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.

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

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Announcements *Please be seated for the announcements*

- *Healing Testimonies*

Please stand as able for all hymns

Offertory Hymn

“O for a thousand tongues to sing”

[Hymnal 493](#)

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him, all creatures here below,
Alleluia, Alleluia.

Praise him above ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

The Holy Communion **The Great Thanksgiving**

(Remain standing as able)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, for through Jesus Christ the sick are healed: the blind regain their sight, the deaf hear, the lame walk, and the outcast are brought home; the poor receive good news and the dead are raised to life.

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:

Sanctus

Hymnal S-129

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est._____

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You may stand or kneel.

Celebrant: We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**All: We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant: And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Saint Paul and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All: 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.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

All: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Fraction Anthem: Lamb of God: *Agnus Dei*

O Lamb of God, that ta-kest a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy up-on us.

O Lamb of God, that ta-kest a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy up-on us.

O Lamb of God, that ta-kest a-way the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

- Please follow the ushers directions for receiving the Eucharist at the altar steps.
- Let an usher know if you prefer to remain seated at your pew for distribution of the Bread and Wine.

Communion Hymn

“The Arms of My Father”

There is a place that I know
Where I need more often to go
A place of amazing comfort and rest
Where a smile is never rare
And Your love is as free as the air
And I lack for nothing
When I can see the love in Your eyes
And know that it's all for me

Chorus
I fear nothing at all
When I'm safe in the arms
Of my Father
And if ever I fall
I take comfort in knowing
That You are there

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Communion Hymn

“You are here”

You are here among us
For we have gathered in Your name
We can feel Your presence in this place.
You are here among us,

You are enthroned upon our praise
You are here, here to heal
And here to save.

You are here in our midst
How we've waited for moments like this
Have Your way in this place
Holy Spirit come do as You wish

We are changed as you move in our midst.

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Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: God of all compassion, by the dying and rising of your Christ you restore us to yourself and enfold us in your love. May we who have been refreshed with the bread of life and the cup of salvation be renewed by your healing Spirit and made ready for the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Celebrant: Go now to speak the words God gives you to all those to whom God sends you. Offer your worship to God with thanksgiving and with works of freedom and mercy. **Amen.**

And may God be your shelter to keep you safe;

May Christ Jesus set you free from all that cripples you;

And may the Holy Spirit be with you to deliver you and to make you perfect with all God's faithful ones. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn

"Holy Father, great Creator"

[Hymnal 368](#)

Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us bless the Lord.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude

"Fugue in D minor"

Johann Pachelbel

Altar Dedication / Parish Picnic - On Sunday, August 31st, we are holding one service outdoor in our meadow at 10 am. We will be dedicating our outdoor chapel area and the altar that was built using our old rectory cornerstone. Following the outdoor single service, we'll have an end of summer parish barbeque. So bring your favorite lawn chair and prepare to worship and celebrate with us.



One Service & Parish Cookout
Sunday, August 31st
10:00 am



Who: You.

What: End of Summer celebration, and dedication of our outdoor worship space.

When: Sunday August 31st, 10 am

Where: Our meadow behind the church.

St. Paul's will provide hamburgers, hotdogs, etc. Everyone is asked to bring a potluck dish / salad / dessert to share. Bring a lawn chair and dress comfortably.

Announcements

Summer Reading Group - Join Fr. Nate in the Guild Room after the Wednesday healing services to discuss *Finding Sanctuary* by Jennifer Hubbard.

Name Tags - Please be courteous to fellow parishioners, newcomers, and guests by extending a warm welcome to them and by wearing your name tag. You can leave them in the baskets at the doors as you leave for refiling. And remember to wear them to coffee hour as well.

Coffee Gathering - Following this service, join us downstairs in Crocker Hall for coffee.

Nursery Service - Is provided during the 10:30 service each Sunday for children through age 4. Parents, please collect your child from the nursery during announcement time so they and the nursery caregiver can return to the worship service for Communion.

Chronic Pain Support Group - Living with chronic physical pain can feel isolating and overwhelming, but you don't have to face it alone. Join others who understand what you're going through in a safe, supportive, and faith-centered environment. Our monthly, peer-led support group provides a welcoming space to connect, share experiences, and support one another. This group will meet on the first Thursday each month, starting September 4th at 11:30 am in the Guild Room. For more info contact chronicpain@saintpaulsbrookfield.com.

Blessing of the Backpacks - On Sunday, September 7th at the 10:30 service, there will be a "Blessing of the Backpacks" for all students! Students of all ages are encouraged to bring their backpack to the service to receive a special "Back to School" blessing!

Our Daily Bread - The *Our Daily Bread* devotional pamphlet for September, October & November is now available at the back of the church. *Our Daily Bread* contains a scripture verse and meditation for each day.

Our Facilities - Our restrooms are located downstairs at the rear of our parish hall. Take the stairway to the right as you exit the sanctuary. The restrooms are located in the far left corner of the parish hall, across from the kitchen. A play area for our young ones is also set up in the parish hall as well as live streaming and audio of the service on a wide screen TV. In addition, coloring book packages are available for youngsters to use in the pews. If you need anything during the service, please feel free to ask an usher.

The altar flowers today are given by Denny Payne
in memory of Bobby Payne.

Calendar For The Week

(We welcome and encourage parishioners to come to any of these ministries.)

(Check website for up to date Zoom links - www.SaintPaulsBrookfield.com)

Sun., Aug 24	8:00 am - Traditional Holy Eucharist (YouTube Live)
	9:30 am - Adult Class, Guild Room
	10:30 am - Contemporary Holy Eucharist (YouTube Live)
Mon., Aug 25	7:00 pm - Men's Bible Study, Crocker Hall (YouTube Live)
Tue., Aug 26	9:30 am - Ladies Tuesday AM Bible Study, Guild Room
Wed., Aug 27	10:00 am - Holy Eucharist & Healing (YouTube Live)
	11:30 am - Summer Reading Group, Guild Room
	7:00 pm - Ladies Evening Zoom Bible Study (Zoom)
Thu., Aug 28	9:30 am - Iron Sharpens Iron Discussion Group, Guild Room
Sat., Aug 30	7:30 am - John 21:12 Group, Theo's Downtown Diner, New Milford
	8:00 am - Men's Prayer Breakfast, Crocker Hall
Sun., Aug 31	10:00 am - Outdoor Dedication of Altar & Holy Eucharist , Meadow (YouTube Live)
	11:30 am - Parish Picnic, Meadow



Next Sunday - The 12th Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 am & 10:30 am

Preacher: Fr. Nate Lee

Readings for August 31st

[Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16](#) - [Luke 14:1, 7-14](#)

