



Saint Paul's Parish

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The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 9, 2026

Preacher & Celebrant

The Rev. Dr. Nathaniel Jung-Chul Lee

10:30 am - 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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Opening Song

“Open the eyes of my heart”

Chorus 1

Open the eyes of my heart Lord

Open the eyes of my heart

I want to see You

I want to see You

(Bridge)

Holy holy holy

Holy holy holy

Holy holy holy

I want to see You

To see You high and lifted up

Shining in the light of Your glory

Pour out Your power and love

As we sing holy holy holy

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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.**

Opening Praise

“Better Is One Day”

How lovely is Your dwelling place

O Lord almighty

For my soul longs and even faints for You

For here my heart is satisfied

Within Your presence

I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings

(Bridge)

My heart and flesh cry out

For You the living God

Your Spirit's water to my soul

I've tasted and I've seen

Come once again to me

I will draw near to You

I will draw near to You to You

Chorus

Better is one day in Your courts

Better is one day in Your house

Better is one day in Your courts

Than thousands elsewhere

(Than thousands elsewhere)

Better is one day, better is one day

Better is one day,

Than thousands elsewhere

One thing I ask and I would seek

To see Your beauty

To find You in the place

Your glory dwells *(Repeat)*

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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 to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

The First Lesson

1 Kings 19:9-18

At Horeb, the mount of God, Elijah came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 85: 8-13

I will listen to what the LORD God is saying, *
**for he is speaking peace to his faithful people
and to those who turn their hearts to him.**

Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, *
that his glory may dwell in our land.

Mercy and truth have met together; *
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

Truth shall spring up from the earth, *
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

The LORD will indeed grant prosperity, *
and our land will yield its increase.

Righteousness shall go before him, *
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

The Epistle

Romans 7:7-25

What then should we say? That the law is sin? By no means! Yet, if it had not been for the law, I would not have known sin. I would not have known what it is to covet if the law had not said, 'You shall not covet.' But sin, seizing an opportunity in the commandment, produced in me all kinds of covetousness. Apart from the law sin lies dead. I was once alive apart from the law, but when the commandment came, sin revived and I died, and the very commandment that promised life proved to be death to me. For sin, seizing an opportunity in the commandment, deceived me and through it killed me. So the law is holy, and the commandment is holy and just and good.

Did what is good, then, bring death to me? By no means! It was sin, working death in me through what is good, in order that sin might be shown to be sin, and through the commandment might become sinful beyond measure.

For we know that the law is spiritual; but I am of the flesh, sold into slavery under sin. I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do

the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

So then, with my mind I am a slave to the law of God, but with my flesh I am a slave to the law of sin.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Response “Yahweh”

You alone, are worthy, You alone, are worthy, Of all that I am, of all that I am.	Wonderful is Your name, Wonderful is Your name, Yahweh.
Beautiful is Your name, Beautiful is Your name, Yahweh.	by Shawn McDonald © 2004 Birdwing Music Shawn McDonald Music

(Please stand as able for the Gospel)

The Gospel **Matthew 14:22-33**

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People: **Glory to You, Lord Christ.**

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, “It is a ghost!” And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, “Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.” Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” He

said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!” Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, “You of little faith, why did you doubt?” When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

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.

Prayers of the People

You may stand, sit or kneel for the prayers

Intercessor: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

Intercessor: For all people in their daily life and work;
All: For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Intercessor: For this community, the nation, and the world;
All: For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Intercessor: For the just and proper use of your creation;
All: For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Intercessor: For better stewardship.
All: That we may fulfill our responsibilities with love and diligence so that our efforts may glorify God.

Intercessor: For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
All: For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, the homeless, and the needy.

Intercessor: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
All: For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Intercessor: For Sean our Presiding Bishop; Jeffrey and Laura our Bishops; Fr. Nate, our Priest-in-Charge; and for all bishops and other ministers;
All: For all who serve God in his Church.

Intercessor: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

The People may add their own petitions

Intercessor: Hear us, Lord;

All: For your mercy is great.

Intercessor: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

The People may add their own thanksgivings

Intercessor: We will exalt you, O God our King;

All: And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Intercessor: We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

The People may add their own petitions

Intercessor: Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

All: Who put their trust in you.

Intercessor: We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

**All: Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so 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.**

The Celebrant concludes with an absolution or a suitable Collect.

The Peace

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

People: And also with you.

All stand as able for hymns

Offertory Praise

“I surrender all”

All to Jesus I surrender
All to Him I freely give
I will ever love and trust Him
In His presence daily live

*Chorus: I surrender all
I surrender all
All to Thee my precious Savior
I surrender all*

All to Jesus I surrender
Humbly at His feet I bow
Worldly pleasures all forsaken
Take me Jesus take me now

All to Jesus I surrender
Lord I give myself to Thee
Fill me with Thy love and power
Let Thy blessings fall on me

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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 when the storms of life come, making us afraid and causing us to doubt, you send your Son Jesus Christ to calm our hearts and give us peace.

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

William Schrull
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1
Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - - ly Ho - ly,

6
Ho - ly, Ho - - ly Lord God of po - wer and might,

10
Hea - ven and earth are full of Your glo - - ry. We praise You join -

14
ing our voice to pro - claim Your glo - - ry Ho - sa - na in the

20
high - - est Ho - sa - na in the high - - est

26
Bles - sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Ho - sa - na

31
in the high - - est Ho - sa - na in the high - - est

37
Ho - sa - na in the high - - est.

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*

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Lamb of God you take a-way the sins of the world. Have Mer-cy on

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us, have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God you take a-way the sins of the

12
world. Have mer-cy on us, have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God you

18
take a-way the sins of the world. Grant us thy peace. Grant us thy

24
peace.

The Invitation

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 rail.
- Let an usher know if you prefer to remain seated at your pew for distribution of the Bread and Wine.

Communion Praise

“Empty Me”

Holy fire burn away
My desire for anything
That is not of You and is of me
I want more of You and less of me

Chorus
Empty me
Empty me yeah
Fill won't You fill me
With You with You

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Communion Praise

“Here I Am to Worship”

Light of the world
You stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes let me see
Beauty that made
This heart adore You
Hope of a life spent with You

Chorus 1
So here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
And You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days
Oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came
To the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor

(Bridge)
And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross'

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Postcommunion Prayer

All: **O Lord of wind and wave, you have fed us with the bread of life and spoken peace to our troubled hearts. As you called Peter to walk upon the waters, call us now to trust you in every peril. Take hold of us when we falter, lift us when fear overwhelms, and bring us to the boat of your saving grace, that we may worship you in truth and follow you in courage. Amen.**

The Blessing

Celebrant: Go now and live in the righteousness that comes from faith. Delight in seeking the Lord. Recount what God has done and proclaim the good news of Christ so that all may hear and believe and be saved. **Amen.**

And may the power of the presence of God be with you.

May Christ's word be near you, on your lips and in your heart.

And may the Holy Spirit give you courage and calm all your fears. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn

“Be thou my vision”

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

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father and I thy true son;
Thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always;

Thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys,

O bright heaven's Sun!

Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Words: Irish, ca. 700; versified Mary Elizabeth Byrne (1880-1931);

Music: *Slane*, Irish ballad melody

Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

All: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HIGHLIGHTS:

Adult Class - The Adult Class meets on Sundays between services starting at 9:30 in Guild Room. Contact Dot Crocker for more info.

Nursery Service - The nursery is available for families to use on their own, but there won't be formal nursery coverage over the summer.

OTHER ITEMS OF NOTE:

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.

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

Prayer Needs? - You can let us know by submitting your need on our website or emailing prayerchain@saintpaulsbrookfield.com and our team of intercessors will pray for your request or you can ask for a prayer servant to call you and we can pray together!

Altar Flowers - If you would like to request Altar flowers for a particular Sunday please see the Flower Chart in the back of the church, fill out an envelope located in the back of the church, send an email request to dszen@yahoo.com or contact the parish office.

The Priest-in-Charge Weekly - Fr. Nate has a weekly e-mail, "*The Priest-in-Charge Weekly*," to communicate things directly from his desk to yours. If you did not receive his e-mail this week and would like to, write Fr. Nate at priest@saintpaulsbrookfield.com and let him know.

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 on the far left, 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. If you need anything during the service, please feel free to ask an usher.

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 9	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 10	7:00 pm - Men's Bible Study, Crocker Hall (YouTube Live)
	10:00 am - Sexton Volunteers, Crocker Hall
Tue., Aug 11	9:30 am - Ladies Tuesday AM Bible Study, Guild Room
Wed., Aug 12	10:00 am - Holy Eucharist & Healing (YouTube Live)
	12:00 pm - Noonday Prayer Meeting, Guild Room
	7:00 pm - Ladies Evening Zoom Bible Study (Zoom)
Thu., Aug 13	9:30 am - Iron Sharpens Iron Discussion Group, Guild Room
	7:30 pm - Property Committee, Guild Room
Fri., Aug 14	9:00 am - St. Paul's Walking Group, Orzech Family Preserve, Roxbury
	10:00 am - Sexton Volunteers, Crocker Hall
Sat., Aug 15	7:30 am - John 21:12 Group, Theo's Downtown Diner, New Milford
	8:00 am - Men's Prayer Breakfast, Crocker Hall
	10:00 am - PraiseMoves, Crocker Hall (Zoom)
Sun., Aug 16	8:00 am - Traditional Holy Eucharist (YouTube Live)
	9:30 am - Adult Class, Guild Room
	10:30 am - Contemporary Holy Eucharist (YouTube Live)



Next Sunday - 12th Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 am & 10:30 am

Preacher: Fr. Nate

Readings for August 16th

[Isaiah 56:1,6-8](#) - [Psalm 67](#) - [Romans 8:1-17](#) - [Matthew 15: 10-28](#)

