

- 4 Happy are they who trust in the LORD! *
they do not resort to evil spirits or turn to false gods.
- 5 Great things are they that you have done, O LORD my God!
how great your wonders and your plans for us! *
there is none who can be compared with you.
- 6 Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! *
but they are more than I can count.
- 7 In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure *
(you have given me ears to hear you);
- 8 Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required, *
and so I said, "Behold, I come.
- 9 In the roll of the book it is written concerning me: *
'I love to do your will, O my God;
your law is deep in my heart.'
- 10 I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation; *
behold, I did not restrain my lips;
and that, O LORD, you know.
- 11 Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart;
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance; *
I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the great
congregation.
- 12 You are the LORD;
do not withhold your compassion from me; *

The Epistle

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,

To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gospel

John 1:29-42

John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God."

Pray for the Church and the Body of Christ

The Daughters of the King are dedicated to supporting the prayer needs of St. Paul's. They are available in the west corner of sanctuary every Sunday after the 10:30 a.m. worship service for private prayer. You can also submit intentions in the prayer box in the narthex. To add names to the prayer list, please contact the church office. Names will remain on the prayer list for one month unless otherwise renewed.

Please pray for: *Cathy Hargrave*

ANNUAL MEETING



**JANUARY 25,
FOLLOWING
SERVICE IN
PARISH HALL**

**Potluck
Bring Your Favorite**

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan. 18, Sun. After Service—Vestry Meeting

Jan. 27, Tues. 6:30pm—Ladies Nite Out—El Fenix

Dinner Circles are being shuffled for the next four months (Feb thru May). If you would like to join a Dinner Circle and meet some of your fellow Parishioners please contact the Jr. Warden, Frank McKee.

2025-2026 APNET Events - Opportunities to join with other small Episcopal churches for ministry and mutual edification. Please consider participating. Rural Churches play a important role in the fabric of the communities they serve. They are the outposts of the rural mission field for the Gospel. Often times these small missions and parishes struggle to remain viable having limited resources and small numbers.

- **January 21—5:30pm—ALPHA Course:** St. Philip's Episcopal, Sulphur Springs, TX
- **February 20-21 – APNET Conference**

"Rose Garden Fund"

Donations are being accepted for maintenance to replace the landscape timbers around the rose garden. Your donations are deeply appreciated. Please write: "Rose Garden Fund" on your donation.—Jr. Warden

Gospel cont.

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

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Mark Gilliam, *Organist*

Second Sunday after Epiphany
January 18, 2026

Service Times at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church

SUNDAY

10:30 am. HOLY EUCHARIST
11:45 am. FELLOWSHIP, CLARDY HALL

MONDAY

9:00 am. CHILDREN’S CHAPEL

WEDNESDAY

10:30 am. MORNING PRAYER II
6:00 pm. BIBLE STUDY

THURSDAY

8:00 p.m. COMPLINE SERVICE (access St. Paul’s Facebook Page)

This Sunday, January 18th

Lector/LEM Debbie Shaffer
Acolyte: Jim Pence
Vestry Person of the Day: Jeff Faunce, David Kirklin
Intercessory Prayer: Nancy Wyant
Tech Team: Director-Jeff Faunce; Titles-Jennifer Faunce;
Audio-Brad Mathis; Cameras-Nick Stone
Social Media-Georgianna Harrison

Next Sunday, January 25th

Lector/LEM: Matt Wolff
Acolytte Karen Smith
Vestry Person of the Day: Elizabeth Porter, Frank McKee
Intercessory Prayer: Nancy Wyant
Tech Team: Director-Jeff Faunce; Titles-Jennifer Faunce;
Audio-Brad Mathis; Cameras-Nick Stone
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Altar Guild: Laurel Pence, Nancy Wyant,
Georgianna Harrison

Holy Eucharist Rite II

The Word of God

Processional Hymn All Creatures of Our God H #400
Opening Sentence BCP 355
Gloria in excelsis H #S280
Collect BCP 215

The Lessons BCP 84
The First Readiing Isaiah 49:1-7
The Psalm Psalm 40:1-12
The Epistle 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Gospel Hymn Be Thou My Vision H #488
Gospel John 1:29-42

Sermon The Rev. Gary D. Hill

The Nicene Creed BCP 358
Prayers of the People (Form I) BCP 387
The Confession BCP 360
The Peace BCP 360
Announcements

The Holy Communion
All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Holy Eucharist.

Offertory Hymn Alleluia A3 #1
Awesome God A3 #17

The Great Thanksgiving (Prayer A) BCP 361
Sanctus H #S129
The Lord’s Prayer BCP 364
Agnus Dei H #S157
The Presentation BCP 364

Communion Hymn Holy,Holy, Holy H #362
Come Now is theTime A3 #26

Post Communion Prayer BCP 365
The Blessing & Dismissal BCP 366

Processional Hymn Thou Almighty King H #365

BCP = Book of Common Prayer
H = Hymnbook (red)
A3 = Alleluia III (yellow)

The Collect

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world:
Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine
with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and
obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you
and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The First Reading Isaiah 49:1-7

Listen to me, O coastlands,
pay attention, you peoples from far away!
The LORD called me before I was born,
while I was in my mother's womb he named me.
He made my mouth like a sharp sword,
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;
he made me a polished arrow,
in his quiver he hid me away.
And he said to me, “You are my servant,
Israel, in whom I will be glorified.”
But I said, “I have labored in vain,
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;
yet surely my cause is with the LORD,
and my reward with my God.”

And now the LORD says,
who formed me in the womb to be his servant,
to bring Jacob back to him,
and that Israel might be gathered to him,
for I am honored in the sight of the LORD,
and my God has become my strength--
he says,
“It is too light a thing that you should be my servant
to raise up the tribes of Jacob
and to restore the survivors of Israel;
I will give you as a light to the nations,
that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.”

Thus says the LORD,
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations,
the slave of rulers,
“Kings shall see and stand up,
princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,
because of the LORD, who is faithful,
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

Psalm Psalm 40:1-12

Expectans, expectavi

- 1 I waited patiently upon the LORD; *
he stooped to me and heard my cry.
- 2 He lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire and clay; *
he set my feet upon a high cliff and made my footing sure.
- 3 He put a new song in my mouth,
a song of praise to our God; *
many shall see, and stand in awe,
and put their trust in the LORD.