



**SAINT  
PAUL'S  
EPISCOPAL  
DAYTON·OH**

**THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**APRIL 19, 2026, 9:30 AM**

*As a courtesy to others, please silence your cell phone.*

**We ask your prayers for:** Natalie, Bill, The family of Herb Conley, Jennifer, Evan, Yimaira, Connie, Jamie, Otto, Jim, Beth, Joern, Valerie, Helen, Sherrie, Candace, Kim, and Ella.

**And for those serving** in the Armed Forces and Diplomatic Corps of our Country: David Craddock, John Sampson, Brett Griffin, Zachary Falter, and Isabel Steen Falter.

**And for those having Birthdays, please see the weekly email.**

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer**—The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma).

**In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**—All Saints, Portsmouth; and Explorers, Postulants, Candidates for the Diaconate and Priesthood.

**The Altar Arrangements** are given to the Glory of God.

**SERVING TODAY. - 4/19/26 - 9:30AM**

**Altar Guild** Cheryl Strine  
Mary Anna Conley

**Reader** Mary Beth Coker  
Chuck Berry

**Ushers** Jim Filson  
Mary Beth Coker

**Crucifer/  
Chalice** Bob Neben

**Book** Teena Baldrige

**SERVING NEXT SUN. - 4/26/26 - 9:30AM**

**Altar Guild** Mary Ellen Foster  
Ellen Walters

**Reader** Mary Ellen Foster  
Laura Walters

**Ushers** Charlie Campbell  
Micky Neben

**Crucifer/  
Chalice** Kathleen Walters

**Book** Jay Woodhull

*All Hymns are in the Blue, 1982 Hymnal or Lift Every Voice & Sing (referred to as LEVAS).*

**PRELUDE:** Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring

*J.S. Bach*

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PROCESSIONAL:** HYMN #180, He is Risen, He is Risen!

*Unser Herrscher*

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

*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,** HYMNAL #S278

**Glory to God in 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;  
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.**

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

**FIRST READING:** ACTS 2: 14a, 36-41

A Reading from Acts

**P**eter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified."

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized

every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.” And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

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

**THE RESPONSE:** PSALM 116:1-3, 10-17 (*SUNG BY THE CHOIR*)

- 1 I love the LORD, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, \*  
because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.
- 2 The cords of death entangled me;  
the grip of the grave took hold of me; \*  
I came to grief and sorrow.
- 3 Then I called upon the Name of the LORD: \*  
"O LORD, I pray you, save my life."
- 10 How shall I repay the LORD \*  
for all the good things he has done for me?
- 11 I will lift up the cup of salvation \*  
and call upon the Name of the LORD.
- 12 I will fulfill my vows to the LORD \*  
in the presence of all his people.
- 13 Precious in the sight of the LORD \*  
is the death of his servants.
- 14 O LORD, I am your servant; \*  
I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;  
you have freed me from my bonds.
- 15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving \*  
and call upon the Name of the LORD.
- 16 I will fulfill my vows to the LORD \*  
in the presence of all his people,
- 17 In the courts of the LORD's house, \*  
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.  
Hallelujah!

**SECOND READING: 1 PETER 1:17-23**

A Reading from 1 Peter

**I**f you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.

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

*All rise as they are able.*

**GOSPEL PROCESSION:** HYMN #343, Shepherd of Souls Refresh and Bless            *St. Agnes*

**THE GOSPEL:** LUKE 24:13-35

*Deacon*            The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People*            **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

**N**ow on that same day two of Jesus' disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish

you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

*Deacon*            The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*            **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**HOMILY**

THE REV. JEAN VARGO

*All stand as they are able.*

**THE NICENE CREED**

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

**W**e 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.

**W**e 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** - From the book "*Hear Our Prayer*"

After each petition the people respond with "*Hear Our Prayer*".

*Please stand or kneel if able.*

#### **CONFESSION OF SIN**

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Leader and People*

**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.**

#### **OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

**OFFERTORY MUSIC: Thy Perfect Love**

*John Rutter*

Jesu, my love, my joy, my rest,  
Thy perfect love close in my breast  
That I thee love and never rest;  
And make me love thee of all things best,  
And wound my heart in thy love free,  
That I may reign in joy evermore with thee.

*Please stand if able.*

**HYMN #41 in LEVAS, Christ Has Arisen**

*Haya Tune*

Christ has a - ris - en, Al - le - lu - ia. Re - joice and

The first system of musical notation for the hymn. It consists of a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The treble staff contains the vocal line with lyrics: "Christ has a - ris - en, Al - le - lu - ia. Re - joice and". The bass staff contains the piano accompaniment.

praise Him, Al - le - lu - ia. For our Re - deem - er burst from the

The second system of musical notation. The treble staff continues the vocal line with lyrics: "praise Him, Al - le - lu - ia. For our Re - deem - er burst from the". The bass staff continues the piano accompaniment.

tomb, E - ven from death dis - pel - ling its gloom. Let us sing praise to Him

The third system of musical notation. The treble staff continues the vocal line with lyrics: "tomb, E - ven from death dis - pel - ling its gloom. Let us sing praise to Him". The bass staff continues the piano accompaniment.

with end - less joy. Death's fear - ful sting He has come to de - stroy. Our sin for -

The fourth system of musical notation. The treble staff continues the vocal line with lyrics: "with end - less joy. Death's fear - ful sting He has come to de - stroy. Our sin for -". The bass staff continues the piano accompaniment.

giv - ing, Al - le - lu - ia, Je - sus is liv - ing, Al - le - lu - ia.

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## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer B, Book of Common Prayer *BCP*, p. 367

*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.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting 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 #S128

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*Please kneel as they are able.*

*The Celebrant continues*

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,

*Celebrant and People*      **We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant continues*

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 St. 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, BCP, p. 364**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

**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 *BCP, p. 364*

FRACTION ANTHEM, #37, from *Enriching Our Music*, volume 1



A - le-lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.



Christ our Pass-o-ver is sac-ri-ficed for us; there-fore let us



keep the feast. Al - le-lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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*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.

COMMUNION HYMN: #174, At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

*Salzburg*

*Please stand or kneel as able.*

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**E**ternal God, heavenly Father,  
 you have graciously accepted us as living members  
 of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
 and you have fed us with spiritual food  
 in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
 Send us now into the world in peace,  
 and grant us strength and courage  
 to love and serve you

**with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**BLESSING OF THE PEOPLE**

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

**RECESSIONAL:** HYMN #296, We Know that Christ is Raised and Dies No More *Engelberg*

**THE DISMISSAL**

*Deacon* Let us go forth in the name of Christ, alleluia, alleluia.

*People* **Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.**

**POSTLUDE:** Gospel Fanfare

*Noel Ramsthorne*

## OTHER NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Movie Night - This Wednesday, April 22** - GREEN BOOK is a 2018 biographical film set in 1962. The movie follows Italian-American bouncer Frank Vallelonga (Viggo Mortensen) who is hired by African American pianist Don Shirley (Mahershala Ali) for a tour of concert venues in the Jim Crow Deep South. Green Book also received Oscars for Best Picture, Best Supporting Actor and Best Original Screenplay. Join us for dinner at 6:00 pm, movie at 6:30 pm and popcorn throughout.

### **Jimmy Leach Jazztet - Next Sunday, April 26 at 3pm**

Christ Episcopal Church (20 W. First St. Dayton) cordially invites everyone to a delightful jazz concert featuring trumpeter and singer Jimmy Leach who will perform the great jazz standards of the 20th century. Reception to follow.

### **2026 Diocesan Rogation Celebration - 10:00 am, Saturday, May 16 at Procter Center**

You are invited to come and celebrate Rogation - a special time when we bless the land as a diocese at Procter Farm!

Bishop White will lead the procession as we visit various stations around Procter that represent our common life together. We will also have a picnic, lawn games, kite flying, fishing, and more! If the weather cooperates we will also offer a Hayride to Procter Woods. Participants are invited to bring soil, water, and seeds from their homes or congregations to share and be blessed. Registration Deadline: May 11

<https://diosohio.wufoo.com/forms/annual-dso-rogation-picnic-rsvp-2026/>

Cost: The celebration is free of charge; we ask for donations for meals \$15 per adult and \$10 per child, 5 and older as you are able.

**SAVE THE DATE!** Join us for the Dayton Dragons baseball game on Tuesday, May 26 at 7:05 pm. See the display in the Cloister and sign up to attend this fun event!

### **Ongoing Outreach Opportunities**


**Socks for Tots** - Socks for Tots benefits homeless preschool children at St. Vincent de Paul's homeless shelter. They are ages 2 - 6 years old. Add your donations to the box in the Narthex. Thank you!

**Food Bank Donations - Your Efforts Make a Difference!** - Please fill yellow donation bags with food (no glass jars please) and personal care items and bring them to church to be blessed and delivered to the Food Bank. Thank you!

**Egg Cartons for the Procter Center** - The Procter Center Farm reuses clean dozen-egg cartons. Please place your donated cartons on the table next to the Parish Hall Library.

**LIONS Recycle For Sight. . . And St. Paul's Helps!** - Do you have old or extra eyeglasses you no longer use? Please bring them to St. Paul's and deposit them in the Lions Club box in the Narthex. Thank you!





You are invited to join  
St. Mark's and St. Paul's Episcopal Churches  
and the Lutheran Church of Our Savior for a  
midday luncheon.

Come share a fun-filled time of socializing, enjoying  
deliciously prepared food, trivia food facts, and  
music!

Door prizes will be awarded. Sign your name on the  
ticket and drop it in the basket for your chance to  
win!

Where: St. Paul's Episcopal Church  
33 W. Dixon Avenue

When: Saturday, May 30, 2026

Time: 11:00 a.m. — 1:30 p.m.

Tickets: \$15 Reservations due by May 22.  
Questions? Call St. Paul's office at 937-293-1154.

We look forward to seeing you there!

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### WELCOME!

We're glad you're here today! Your presence with us is a blessing. We invite you to participate in worship, say the prayers, sing the songs, and introduce yourself. You'll find a visitor card in the pew back in front of you. We're so excited to meet you.

### WORSHIP TIMES

**9:30 am** - Worship Service with Hymns

**Office hours:** 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Monday – Thursday

9:00 am - 12:00 pm on Friday

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### ST. PAUL'S VESTRY

**Class of 2027** - Cheryl Strine, Kathleen Walters

**Class of 2028** - Jill Davis

**Class of 2029** - Cathy Fain, Diane Labrie, Steve Ireland

**Senior Warden** (*term expires 2027*)- Chris Brandt

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