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The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

October 25, 2026

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

Question of the Day: *"As you go about your day, who are you aware of and who are you walking past that needs your attention?"*

8:00 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!

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Prelude

“Christ Is My Life”

Johann Gottfried Walther

All stand as able

Opening Hymn

“How lovely is thy dwelling place”

[Hymnal 517](#)

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 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. **Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; 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

Leviticus 19:1-2,15-18

The LORD spoke to Moses, saying:

Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy.

You shall not render an unjust judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbor. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbor: I am the LORD.

You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbor, or you will incur guilt yourself. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 1

Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, *
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

Their delight is in the law of the LORD, *
and they meditate on his law day and night.

They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *
everything they do shall prosper.

It is not so with the wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, *
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, *
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

The Epistle

1 Thessalonians 2:1-18

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Response

“In your mercy, Lord, you called me”

[Hymnal 706](#)

(Verses 1 & 2)

(Please stand as able for the Gospel)

The Gospel

Luke 16:19-31

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

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

Jesus said, "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to

pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house - for I have five brothers - that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

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

Gospel Response "In your mercy, Lord, you called me"
(Verse 3)

[Hymnal 706](#)

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

Celebrant: Let us pray for the Church and for the world, walking in the way of
righteousness and compassion.

Leader: Holy God, you call your people to be holy as you are holy. Strengthen your
Church to delight in your law, to seek justice without partiality, and to love
our neighbors as ourselves. Form us into communities that share not only
the gospel, but our very lives with gentleness and courage.

All: Make us steadfast in your way, O Lord.

Leader: Righteous Lord, you watch over the way of the just. Guide the nations into
equity and truth. Where the poor are ignored like Lazarus at the gate,
awaken leaders and peoples to repentance, compassion, and shared
responsibility.

All: Lead all nations in the paths of justice and mercy.

Leader: God of mercy, you hear the cries of those who hunger, suffer, or are cast
aside. Open your eyes to the ones we overlook. Make us instruments of
your care, that the chasm between comfort and need may be bridged by
your love working through us.

All: Let your healing and hope rise among all who suffer.

Leader: Loving Father, root our communities in the way of the righteous. Help us to resist cynicism, selfishness, and indifference. Knit us together in mutual care, truthful speech, and neighborly love, that we may reflect your holiness in daily life.

All: Shape us into a people of compassion and integrity.

Leader: Gentle Shepherd, you call us to share our lives tenderly with others. Bless all who are sick, grieving, lonely, or in any trouble. Give them comfort, strength, and companions on the journey. Surround them with your healing presence as we pray for our own needs and those of others.

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

Leader: God of Abraham and Moses, you speak through your word to call us home to you. Receive the departed into your eternal care, especially Donna Cennamo in whose memory the altar flowers are given, and grant us grace to hear your voice and walk your path while we live.

All: Bring us at last into the joy of your kingdom.

The Celebrant concludes the Prayers:

Celebrant: Holy One, who watches over the way of the righteous and calls us to love without partiality: hear our prayers, cleanse our hearts, and set our feet firmly on your path, that we may live as your people and reflect your compassion in all we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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.

Healing Testimonies

All stand as able for hymns

Offertory Hymn “Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!”

[Hymnal 437](#)

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: **G**od of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
People: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.
People: By your will they were created and have their being.

Celebrant: From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.
People: Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

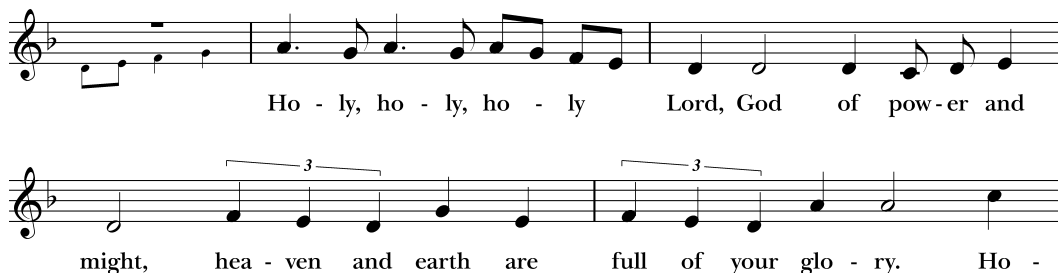
Celebrant: Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.
**People: By his blood, he reconciled us.
By his wounds, we are healed.**

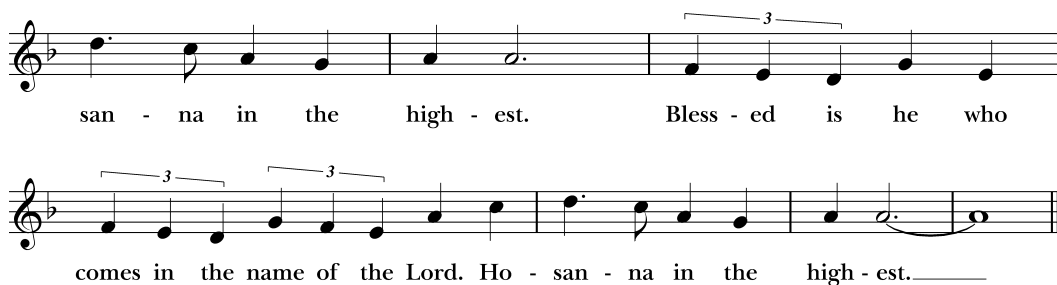
Celebrant: You are the Holy One who calls us to your righteousness and love; who judges with truth and commands mercy; who shares your own life with us in gentleness; and who bids us heed your word and see the poor with compassion.

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





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You may stand, sit or kneel.

Celebrant: And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People: **We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Celebrant: Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People: **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Celebrant: Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

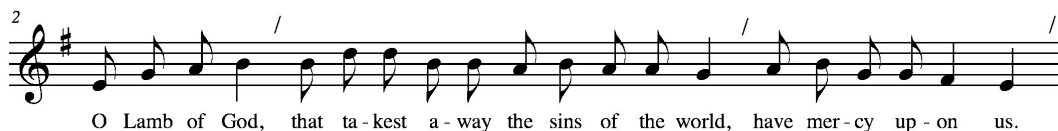
All: **O**ur Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine 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*



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 Hymn

“Just as I am, without one plea”

[Hymnal 693](#)

Postcommunion Prayer

All: **God of Abraham, you have fed us with the life of Christ. Set us in the way of righteousness; teach us justice and neighbor-love; open our eyes to the poor; and make us faithful to your word. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Blessing

Celebrant: **G**o now and take hold of the life that really is life. Shun the eagerness for money but be rich in good works. Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness **Amen.**

And may God be your refuge and fortress;

May Christ Jesus free you from all that ensnares you;

And may the Holy Spirit provide you with everything for godliness and contentment. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn

“Immortal, invisible, God only wise”

[Hymnal 423](#)

Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

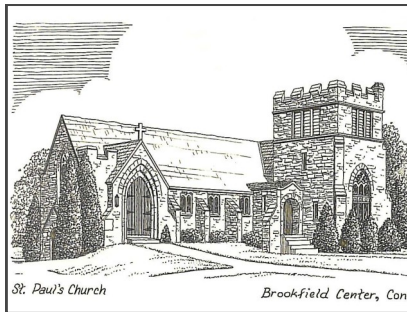
Postlude

“In Thee, O Lord, Have I Put My Trust”

Johann Christoph Bach



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"Celebrating 241 years in the Spirit"

The altar flowers today are given by Joan Boehm
in memory of Donna Cennamo.

Altar Flowers - If you would like to request Altar flowers for a particular Sunday please see the 2026 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HIGHLIGHTS:

Sermon Talkbacks - Join us in Crocker Hall at 9:45 am. Sermon Talkbacks are a chance to keep the conversation going. At St. Paul's, we believe preaching happens not just for the church, but with the church as we reflect on our current sermon series on The Giving Parables of Jesus.

Trunk or Treat 2026 - Boo! - Our 16th annual Trunk or Treat event is this afternoon in our lower parking lot, 2-4 pm.. Bring your friends and neighbors and join us!

HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

Drive-Thru Food Collection - Our next Drive-Thru Food Collection will be this Wednesday, October 28th from 11 am to noon. This will be our 171st food drive since we started in April 2020!

Blood Drive - In partnership with the Red Cross and the local VFW Post, St. Paul's is hosting a blood drive in Crocker Hall on Saturday morning, October 31st from 8 am - 1 pm. It is by appointment only. Visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter StPaulsCT to schedule.

UPCOMING:

Sat, Oct 31, 8 am to 1 pm - Red Cross Blood Drive, Crocker Hall

Sun, Nov 8, 1:00 pm - Walkway over the Hudson

Sun, Nov 15, 1:00 pm - Youth & Parish Service Day, CVH Animal Sanctuary

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.

Sunday School - Sunday School classes and the confirmation class meet at 9:45 am. Children will return to their parents or guardians during the service.

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., Oct 25 8:00 am - **Traditional Holy Eucharist** (YouTube Live)
 9:45 am - Sunday School, Classrooms
 9:45 am - Sermon Talkback, Crocker Hall
 10:30 am - **Contemporary Holy Eucharist** (YouTube Live)
 2-4 pm - Trunk or Treat, Lower Parking Lot
- Mon., Oct 26 7:00 pm - Men's Bible Study, Crocker Hall (YouTube Live)
 10:00 am - Sexton Volunteers, Crocker Hall
- Tue., Oct 27 9:30 am - Ladies Tuesday AM Bible Study, Guild Room
- Wed., Oct 28 10:00 am - **Holy Eucharist & Healing** (YouTube Live)
 11 am - Noon - Drive-Thru Food Collection
 12:00 pm - Noonday Prayer Meeting, Guild Room
 7:00 pm - Women's Evening Zoom Bible Study (Zoom)
- Thu., Oct 29 9:30 am - Iron Sharpens Iron Discussion Group, Crocker Hall
 7:30 pm - Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- Fri., Oct 30 9:00 am - St. Paul's Walking Group, Mine Hill Preserve, Roxbury
 10:00 am - Sexton Volunteers, Crocker Hall
- Sat., Oct 31 7:30 am - John 21:12 Group, Theo's Downtown Diner, New Milford
 8 am - 1 pm - Red Cross Blood Drive, Crocker Hall
 10:00 am - PraiseMoves (Zoom)
- Sun., Nov 1 8:00 am - **Traditional Holy Eucharist** (YouTube Live)
 9:45 am - Sunday School, Classrooms
 9:45 am - P.I.C. Listening Session, Crocker Hall
 10:30 am - **Contemporary Holy Eucharist** (YouTube Live)



Next Sunday - All Saints Day

8:00 am & 10:30 am

Preacher: Fr. Nate

Readings for November 1st

[Revelation 7:9-17](#) - [Psalm 34:1-10, 22](#) - [1 John 3:1-3](#) - [Matthew 5:1-12](#)

