The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: “May your heart live for ever!” Psalm 22:25

About the Liturgy and Scripture of the Day

There is a possibility that this part of today’s psalm is actually a separate hymn of praise and thanksgiving unrelated to the lament of the first part. It may also have served as a liturgy for anyone who came to give thanks for deliverance from affliction.

Each Sunday in Lent, the Old Testament reading recalls one of the events in which God acted to bring about salvation. This “salvation history” was fulfilled in the death and resurrection of Jesus.

Today we hear the story of Abram’s and Sarai’s names being changed to Abraham and Sarah, expressing a sign of God’s continued covenant with humanity, and a new personal covenant with these two. The new names provide an example of God’s redemption and renewal inherent to God’s covenant.

The Gospel reading today is Jesus’ first statement to his disciples concerning his approaching death and resurrection. He calls us to follow his example in taking up our cross and in giving up our lives for his sake and the gospel’s. Jesus taught his disciples about his impending death, but Peter rebuked him. He still did not understand the kind of Messiah Jesus had chosen to be. His participation in human life was to be total, to the point of death.

Mark’s narrative goes on to quote Jesus instructing not only the disciples but the crowd as well about the cost of discipleship. They must follow him all the way to the cross and beyond. By so saying, Jesus made it clear that he was a different kind of Saviour that his fellow Jews expected. Israel did not have any concept of a suffering Messiah, although Christians adapted the prophecy of the Suffering Servant of Isaiah 52:13-53:12 for this purpose.

As a matter of faith, we are part of that multitude in all times and places who have put their trust in God: the fulfillment of the promise to Abraham, and the fulfillment of Jesus’ promise carry us on to the discovery of salvation in our own lives. In Lent, our sharing in the Lentsen disciplines and in worship is the means by which we remember again who we are and whose we are, the holy people of God.


For those serving in the military or in harm’s way: Austin Herbert, Nicholas C. Basile, Justin Sheldon and Nagelia Harrison Sheldon, Ken Lambert, Nadi Kassem, Justin Coca, Antonio Ramirez, Gregory Halstead, Kevin Reissner, Shane Markgraf, Amanda Matos, Chelsey McKelty.

For those celebrating birthdays this week: Cordelia Pierson, Madison Bonnick, Rev. Bill Allport, Andrew Forste, David Christenberry, Theo Williams, Paula Ford.

For those in the medical profession: Pamela Abner, Marian Aquah, Sam Aquah, Rey Alonso, Gloria Arthur, Annie Bigliani, Behanna Currie, Andrea Bills-Evening, Solange Griffith-Ruff, Gabriele Huggins, Adateze Ibeabuchi, Onuora Ibeabuchi, Joy Iwuagwu, Lydia Near Kasper, Nicole McAllister, Michele Michele, Karen Near, Chikakwak Alakor, Michelle Perez Dark, Dick Pierson, Charlotte Profit, Asia Robinson, Robin Taylor, Deborah Williams, Emmanuel Yamusah.

Cycle of Prayer, Anglican Communion: Central America; in the Diocese of Newark: St. Peter’s, Mountain Lakes; St. Peter’s, Mt. Arlington.

Our partners in faith: St. Michael Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahdo Church, Church of the Good Shepherd, Fort Lee; Congregation Kol HaNeshamah, Pentecost Int. Worship Center, Mission Community Church.


TODAY’S SCRIPTURES: Psalm 22:22-30; Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16; Mark 8:31-38

Prayers

Join us for worship on Sundays and Weekdays:

For the duration of St. Paul’s public worship at limited capacity, 10:30 am service and weekday daily worship (8 am and 8 pm) can be accessed remotely through any telephone (even a landline), your smartphone, your tablet device, or computer. The audio and full video feed will become available at 10:15 am ending at the conclusion of worship. Video of the service will be available afterward as well on the Parish YouTube channel: http://bit.ly/stpceyoutube.

How to Access Remotely:

Option 1: Access a full video and audio via the internet on your tablet or computer through the St. Paul’s Facebook Page https://www.facebook.com/stpaulsginglewood. This will allow you to access a livestream of worship service.

Option 2: You can download the free ZOOM.US app for your smart phone, tablet, or computer, accessing full video or just audio. After downloading and accessing the app, when prompted enter the Meeting ID: 744.362.3855; Password: 1865.

Option 3: Access the audio through any telephone (some charges may apply according to your service provider): Dial +1.929.436.2866. When prompted enter the Meeting ID: 744.362.3855; Password:1865


Option 5: Access a live stream on smartphone via Instagram app (@stpaulsginglewood) https://instagram.com/stpaulsginglewood?igshid=y8b0w0x08bo

Book of Common Prayer: If you don’t have the Book of Common Prayer at home, you can access it online at beponline.org or episcopalchurch.org/files/book_of_common_prayer.pdf.
Stewardship: Our Parish depends on your financial and practical stewardship. While many gatherings may be postponed, or participation reduced by our choice of a common fast in this grace of space, the financial obligations of the Parish increase for intensive cleaning and providing additional access. Please give from the abundance God has already provided for you. You can always donate online 24/7 at: stpaulsinglewood.org/giving.html, or mail a check, or drop your offering in the silver drop-box outside the Parish Administrator’s office.

Next Sunday’s Scriptures: Psalm 19; John 2:13-22; Exodus 20:1-17

Daily Lenten Devotions: If you are interested in receiving daily lenten scripture reflection and prayer by text or email, please let us know via text at, 201.568.3276, or email at, devos@stpaulsinglewood.org. Be sure to include “lentdevos” in the text or email.

Sunday Praying the Psalms at 9:15AM: ZOOM US Meeting ID: 82922846650, Password: 202009. An exploration of the psalms using the appointed psalm for Sunday for closer discussion led by Carrie Allport. Contact Father Allport


The Way of Love-Finding A Rule of Life at 11:45AM: Starting today following 10:30 service, we invite you to participate as we explore our Lenten journey with Jesus. We are baptized into his life, self-giving and death; then we rise in hope to life transformed. This Lent, faith communities are invited to walk with Jesus in his way of love and into the experience of transformed life. Everyone is welcome! ZOOM US Meeting ID: 619 306 914.


St Paul’s Choir School: Mondays via Zoom; Tuesdays, Advanced in-person; Wednesdays, Probationers in-person. Our tuition-free after school program for grades K-12 is in session every week! Contact Mark Trautman and visit www.stpauls-choirschool.org.

Wednesday Night Virtual Bible Study at 7PM: Join Fr. Allport in a six-week exploration of Mending Creation: Forgiveness and Reconciliation via ZOOM US Meeting ID: 744 5740 2429, Passcode: 684850.

Lenten Devotionals for Families: Check our website for Weekly Lenten Devotionals for Families. Click here for last week’s devotions (Ash Wednesday: Sunday, February 21)

Celebration Sunday: Today’s Celebration Sunday is offered by The Allport Family in thanksgiving and celebration of their daughter’s birthday, Abigail Allport. Do you have a special announcement or an occasion to commemorate please notify the Parish Office. Contributions of $50 are always welcome toward the Celebration Sunday offerings.

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Food Sunday: The first Sunday of the month is designated for the collection of food and supplies for the Center for Food Action and other area agencies in need. In March, we are collecting canned vegetables (low sodium). All donations will be delivered to the agency in most need.

Church Leader University Spring 2021: Everyone is invited attend, next Saturday, March 6 from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm, workshops relevant to this extraordinary time for ALL congregational leaders! Stay at home and join us online via computer, tablet or smart phone. Click here to register or visit https://dioceseofnewark.org for more information. Register by the deadline on Wednesday, March 3, 5:00pm.

Regional Meeting with the Bishop: This spring Bishop Hughes is inviting all members of the diocese to join her at one of eight Zoom meetings. Our meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 15 at 6:30pm. The Zoom link will be sent out the Monday before our meeting. Please save the date and make plans to attend.


Lap Blankets Needed for Englewood Senior Citizens: Many senior citizens who are served by Bergen Family Center need lap blankets during these cold months. If you can knit, crochet, or would like to donate a store-bought blanket, you can help as part of Our Year of Engagement with Englewood! To provide optimal warmth, the blankets should be at least 50” x 60”. If necessary, St. Paul’s can buy or reimburse you for the yarn. Contact Melissa Kelley at kelley74ny@gmail.com or 201.421.6704, the coordinator for this ministry, for more information.

March 26th, 12PM: MaryAnne Hughes is inviting all members of the diocese to join her at one of eight Zoom meetings. Our meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 15 at 6:30pm. The Zoom link will be sent out the Monday before our meeting. Please save the date and make plans to attend.
CONTINUING THE POWER OF STEWARDSHIP: BECOMING THE CHURCH GOD HAS CALLED US TO BE

A generous donor in the Parish Family has invited all of us to deepen our stewardship and giving from God's abundance as we journey through our work to become the Church God needs us to be. The anonymous donor has offered to match your additional financial gift beyond your pledge or regular giving up to $65,000. This additional stewardship and giving will mean $130,000 of God's abundance and the transformation of our attention to further God's Mission through St Paul’s to be Church we are called to be as we move into the future. God is calling us to live a life of stewardship with faith and grace in all seasons. Let’s answer his call together and continue to give through out the year. Every little bit you give will be matched and your gift will be doubled in dollar amount! Click here to make a contribution.

COMMITTED TO MISSION TOGETHER!

Pledges for Stewardship in 2021
If you have submitted a pledge of stewardship of your time, talents, and treasure ministry to join God’s call to Mission for St. Paul’s in 2021 - Thank You!
We all know the uncertainty of the that this past year. The Wardens and Vestry hope you can choose to be a part of ensuring the ministry and mission of our Parish by making, or deepening, your financial pledge.
If you would like to make a commitment and make a pledge of your time, talent and resources, there is still time. There are pledge forms on the information tables throughout the Parish facilities. You can make your pledge by clicking on this link:

EGIVING AT ST PAUL’S
Please feel free to make a gift and offering in thanksgiving to God. To take advantage of our electronic giving options, please visit online through your electronic device: stpaulsenglewood.org/ egiving.html or follow the qr code to the left with your capable electronic device.
Schedule & Rhythm of Lent & Holy Week

As the weather turns colder, we return to maintain remote services. The service options may change according to the ongoing COVID conditions, so please check back regularly for updates.

Daily Opportunities
beginning February 17
Private Way of Cross in Historic Sanctuary
8am Morning Prayer on weekdays
8pm Compline on weekdays

Sundays
9:15am Sunday Lenten Series & Praying the Psalms
9:30am Sunday School
10:30am Morning Prayer
11:45 am The Way of Love-Finding A Rule of Life

Wednesdays
7 pm Soup Supper & Lenten Series

Holy Week
Palm Sunday, March 28
9:15am Praying the Psalms
9:30am Sunday School
10:30am Palm Procession & Holy Eucharist

Daily for Holy Week
9am - 6:30pm
Personal Way of Cross in Historic Sanctuary

Monday, March 29
7pm Evening Prayer in Historic Sanctuary

Tuesday, March 30
7pm Evening Prayer in Historic Sanctuary

Wednesday, March 31
7pm Bible Study
Thursday, April 1
7pm Maundy Thursday
8:30pm Vigil of the Hours

Good Friday, April 2
11am Way of the Cross for Children & Families in Historic Sanctuary
12pm Solemn Collects
7pm Way of Cross with Solemn Collects

Holy Saturday, April 3
7pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday, April 4
10:30am Easter Sunday Worship

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