

SAINT PAUL AME CHURCH — ONLINE WORSHIP

THE SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT

Sunday, September 6, 2020 – 9:30am

• Fourteenth Sunday of Kingdomtide •

The Welcome and Announcements

The Prayer of Consecration

The Salutation

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Give honor to God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And to all the children of our Father, now and forever. Amen.

The Worship Hymn

AME Hymnal #137

“The Blood That Jesus Shed for Me (The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power)” By Andraé Crouch

*1. The blood that Jesus shed for me, Way back on Calvary,
The blood that gives me strength from day to day, It will never lose its power.*

— **REFRAIN** —

*It reaches to the highest mountain; It flows to the lowest valley;
The blood that gives me strength from day to day, It will never lose its power.*

*2. It soothes my doubts and calms my fears, And it dries all my tears;
The blood that gives me strength from day to day, It will never lose its power.*

The General Confession

Minister: Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God...

All: **ALMIGHTY GOD, Father of our Lord, Jesus Christ, Creator and Judge of all people, we acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and offenses, which we have committed against your divine majesty by thought, word, and deed. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy on us, have mercy on us, most merciful God, for your Son our Lord Jesus Christ’s sake. Forgive us our sins and offenses and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please you in newness of life. To the honor and glory of your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Prayer of Purification

Minister: 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.

People: Amen.

The Prayer of Pardon

Minister: Almighty God, who of your great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who turn to you with true repentance and sincere faith; Have mercy upon us. Pardon and deliver us from all our sins. Confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and bring us to everlasting life: through Jesus Christ our Savior.

People: Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Minister: Let us pray as Jesus taught his disciples to pray...

People: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.**

The Scripture

Romans 13:8-14 (New International Version)

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost — Exodus 12:1-14 • Psalm 149 • Romans 13:8-14 • Matthew 18:15-20

⁸ Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for whoever loves others has fulfilled the law. ⁹ The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery," "You shall not murder," "You shall not steal," "You shall not covet," and whatever other command there may be, are summed up in this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁰ Love does no harm to a neighbor. Therefore love is the fulfillment of the law.

¹¹ And do this, understanding the present time: The hour has already come for you to wake up from your slumber, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. ¹² The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light. ¹³ Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy. ¹⁴ Rather, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the flesh.

The Decalogue

Leader: Let us express our commitment to keep God's law.

People: **God of our salvation, only you are God. We will make no idols. We will not invoke with malice your name O God. We will remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy. We will honor our father and our mother. We will not commit murder or slander. We will not commit adultery. We will not steal. We will not be false witnesses. We will not covet anything that belongs to our neighbor.**

Leader: Hear what Christ our Savior says: "You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And the second is like it, you shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets.

All: **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

The Sermon

The Invitation to Christian Discipleship

The Affirmation of Faith: *The Apostle's Creed*

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. The third day he arose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Church Universal, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Offering

1 Chronicles 29:14; AMEC Hymnal #644

"All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own, have we given thee. Amen."



CONSIDER OUR SIN & OUR SALVATION

The Great Thanksgiving

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Minister: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth: For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to set forth your glory in all the world. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name.

People: 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.

The Celebration

Matthew 26:26-29 (New International Version)

²⁶ While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body."

²⁷ Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. ²⁸ This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. ²⁹ I tell you, I will not drink from this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

The Prayer of Humble Access

Minister: O Merciful Savior, we do not come to your holy table trusting in our own grace and mercy, but in the greatness of your mercy. We are not worthy enough to gather up the crumbs under your table. You are the Lord and your love has met, and always will meet, every human need. Grant us humble access to your love in the sacramental feast of the body and blood of Jesus Christ, and wash away our sinful pride, so that in mercy we may be drawn near to you and to him who with the Holy Spirit lives and reigns one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Altar Call

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

Minister: Let us pray.

People: God of grace, we give you praise and thanks for this Holy Communion of the body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ, the pledge of our redemption, and we pray that it may bring us forgiveness of sins, strength in our weakness, and everlasting salvation; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Final Remarks

The Nunc Dimittis

Luke 2:29-32

Minister: Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word.

People: For mine eyes have seen thy salvation.

Minister: Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;

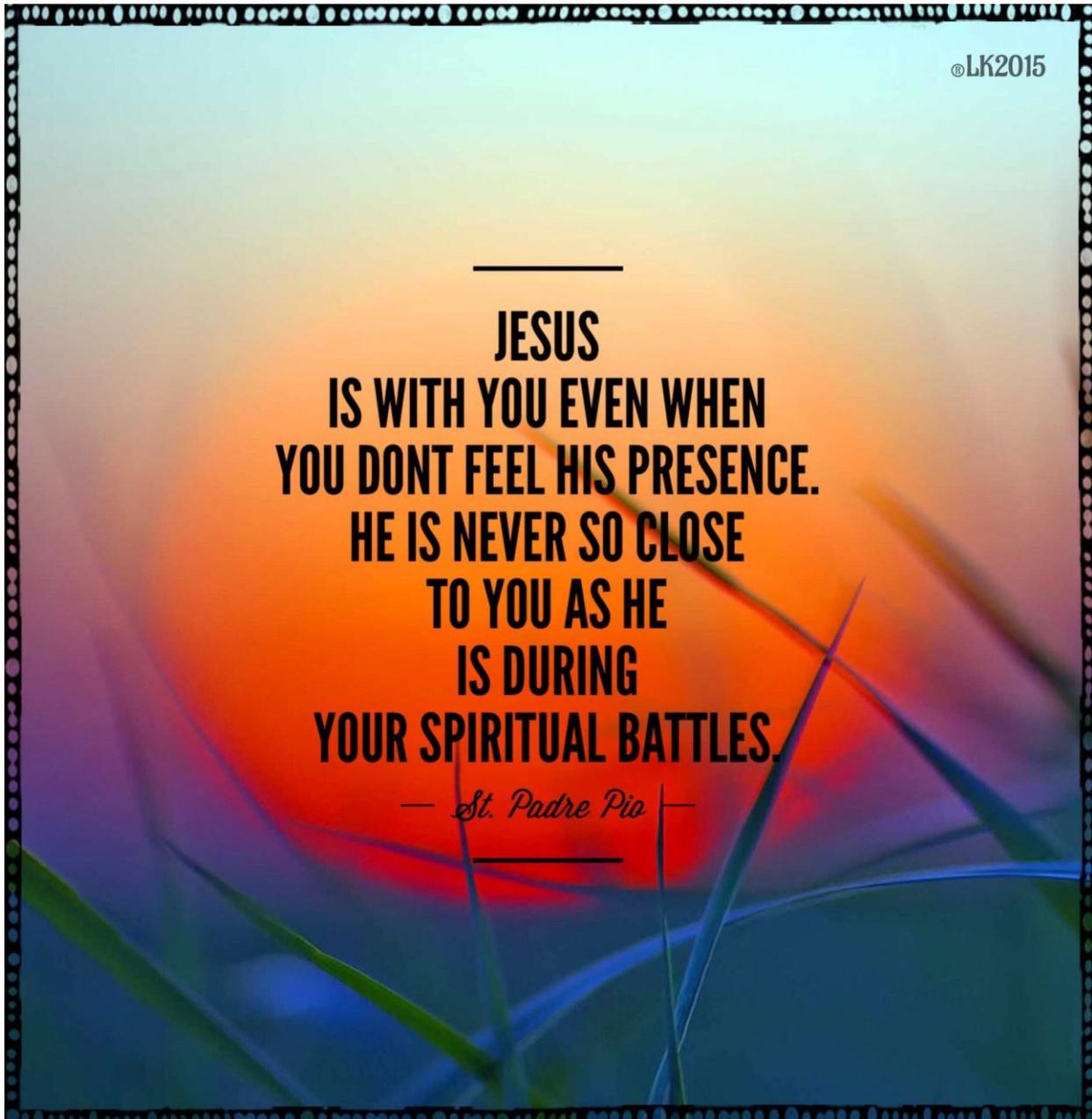
People: To be a light to lighten the Gentiles and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

All: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The Benediction

Minister: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Savior; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

GOD OUR FATHER ~ CHRIST OUR REDEEMER ~ THE HOLY SPIRIT OUR COMFORTER ~ HUMANKIND OUR FAMILY



THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, September 6, 2020

TEACHING MOMENTS

***Next Week's Scripture Lessons:* Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**Exodus 14:19-31 and Psalm 114 or Exodus 15:1b-11, 20-21 • Genesis 50:15-21 and Psalm 103:(1-7), 8-13
Romans 14:1-12 • Matthew 18:21-35.**

MINISTRY MEETINGS

- Wednesday Night Fellowship: 6:30pm - Prayer Meeting; 7pm - Bible Study.
- Trustee Board (Zoom Meeting): Monday, September 14, 2020 – 6pm EDT
- Official Board (Zoom Meeting): Monday, September 14, 2020 – 7pm EDT

CONGREGATIONAL CONCERNS

- Special Thanks to all the Angels of Saint Paul who have done, and are doing, and going to do, Angelic things! BLESS YOU!!!
- KY Annual Conference – September 16-20, 2020 – ONLINE!

SUPPORT REMINDERS

- Please be reminded that the taxation for Church Anniversary of **\$172.00** is payable throughout the year and should be earmarked on your offering envelope as **CA172**.
- Conference Claims per member per month is **\$15.00/\$180.00** per year. Please pay monthly to help meet our Conference assessments.
- The Seed Sowers Project is an ongoing project for the building fund of the church. Sow a seed and watch it grow. Mark on your envelope as "Seed". For more information contact Sis. Geraldine Brown.
- Mass and Men's Choir: Please be reminded of your monthly choir dues of \$10.00 per member per month.

THE CALLING POST

If you're not part of our Calling Post, then please text or email the Pastor using his contact information. Give him your name, phone number and email address, and we'll make sure you are kept in the loop! *The Calling Post comes on your caller-id as "Oklahoma City"*, phone number (405) 308-4474, so please add that to your contacts as "The Calling Post". Thank you!!!

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Bobby Stone	September 9	Kendrick Brown	September 19
Stacey Granville	September 10	Brittani Kirtley	September 20
Nicole Jones	September 12	Gayle Lang	September 20
Lionel Thornton	September 16	Richard Kirtley, Jr.	September 21
Bruce Granville	September 18	Charles Brown, III	September 30
	Linda Higgins	August 21	

OUR PRAYER LIST

The Family of Thomas Blackford	Norman Morton
Armenta Chase	Betty Moseley
Christine Collins	Odes Nash
Lorie Dale	Jerry Owens
Phyllis Dockies	Thomas Parrish, Jr.
Lewis Givens	Cora & Nikaleigh Pennie
Jacqueline Greenlee	Mona Amburgey Romaine
Rev. Frederick E. Hale	Renee Scott Smith
Pearl C. Higgins	Ed Stepp, Jr.
Kenneth Howard	Russell Thornton
Mildred Jones	Frances Walker
Richard Kirtley, Jr.	Anna Williams

Please remember the sick and shut-ins in your prayers. Call, send a card, and let them know you care. Also keep in prayer the families of the bereaved throughout our community and area.

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You only have to use one of these options to join us, choose the one that's right for you!

8am SUNDAY SCHOOL

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- Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/535400285>
 - Zoom: or, Call (929) 205-6099 or (312) 626-6799, Access Code: 535 400 285

9:30am SUNDAY WORSHIP w/Saint Paul Versailles

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11am SUNDAY WORSHIP w/Commonwealth District

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WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP w/Saint Paul Versailles — 6:30pm Prayer Meeting & 7pm Bible Study

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For ALL of these events you can also join us by using any of these links...

- Facebook: www.facebook.com/pastorwilliamhale
- YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCN_08L11sSyuC2iJsZlReKg
- Twitter: <https://twitter.com/HalePastor>

Download the Order of Service or Teaching Materials from: <https://spvame.com> and/or <http://cwd.ame13.org>

*Event times are in "Eastern Standard Time"

**The Conference Call is through FreeConference.com. If the Call-In Number is busy, try one of the following to connect... (712) 832-8330, (641) 426-1600, (605) 562-0400, (717) 275-8940 ... *The Access Code is the same* [2913187#]. The Conference Call is set in "Presentation Mode" which means you're automatically muted so can you only listen and not be disturbed by other callers, but just in case, we respectfully request that, if possible, please mute your phones.