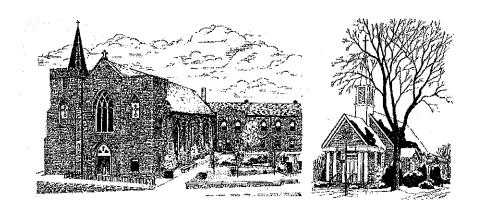
THE EPISCOPAL PARISH OF ALTON

Alton, Illinois



St. Paul's Church 10 E. Third St. 10:30 a.m. Trinity Chapel 1901 State St. 8:15 a.m.

The Seventh Sunday of Easter June 1, 2025

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Office Hours - Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Welcome to the Episcopal Parish of Alton! We are glad to have you worship with us today. All baptized Christians are invited to receive the Bread and Wine of Holy Communion or to simply come forward for a blessing.

The Holy Eucharist: Rite I BCP p. 323

Prelude March 'Romaine' C. Gounod (1818-1893)

Hymn #450 All hail the power of Jesus' name! The Hymnal 1982

Glory to God: Gloria in excelsis #\$202 The Hymnal 1982

The Collect of the Day

O God, the King of glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven: We beseech thee, leave us not comfortless, but send to us thine Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our Savior Christ is gone before; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

The Lessons Please be seated BCP p. 325

A reading from Acts

Acts 16:16-34

With Paul and Silas, we came to Philippi in Macedonia, a Roman colony, and, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with

rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

Psalm 97 Dominus regnavit

The people respond with the verses in bold italics

- 1 The LORD is King; let the earth rejoice; * let the multitude of the isles be glad.
- 2 Clouds and darkness are round about him, * righteousness and justice are the foundations of his throne.
- 3 A fire goes before him *
 and burns up his enemies on every side.
- 4 His lightnings light up the world; * the earth sees it and is afraid.
- 5 The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the LORD, * at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

- 6 The heavens declare his righteousness, * and all the peoples see his glory.
- 7 Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods! *

 Bow down before him, all you gods.
- 8 Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, * because of your judgments, O LORD.
- 9 For you are the LORD, most high over all the earth; * you are exalted far above all gods.
- 10 The LORD loves those who hate evil; *
 he preserves the lives of his saints
 and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.
- 11 Light has sprung up for the righteous, *
 and joyful gladness for those who are truehearted.
- 12 Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous, * and give thanks to his holy Name.

A reading from Revelation

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

At the end of the visions I, John, heard these words:

"See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.

"It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let everyone who hears say, "Come."

And let everyone who is thirsty come.

Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon."

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

Hymn #215

See the Conqueror mounts in triumph

The Hymnal 1982

The Gospel

John 17:20-26

Jesus prayed for his disciples, and then he said. "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

"Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

The Sermon

The Rev. Garron C. Daniels+

The Nicene Creed

Please stand

BCP p. 327

The Prayers of the People

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Intercessor: Lord in thy mercy. Response: Hear our prayer.

Confession of Sin

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The Peace

Welcome and Announcements

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Anthem (choir) The Lord is my Shepherd (from 'The Vicar of Dibley')

H. Goodall

Presentation Hymn #380 Praise God, from whom (vs 3 only) The Hymnal 1982

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer II BCP p. 340

Holy, holy Lord: Sanctus #S114 The Hymnal 1982
The Lord's Prayer (sung) #S119 The Hymnal 1982
Jesus, Lamb of God: Agnus Dei #S158 The Hymnal 1982

<u>All</u> baptized Christians are welcome to come forward to receive Communion, and everyone is welcome to come to the rail for a blessing.

If you do not wish to receive either the bread or the wine, please cross your arms across your chest as a silent request for a blessing from the priest.

Prayer of Humble Access Communion Anthem	'Holy Manna'	<i>BCP</i> p. 337 arr. D. Hustad
Post-Communion Prayer		<i>BCP</i> p. 339
The Blessing		<i>BCP</i> p. 339
Dismissal		<i>BCP</i> p. 339
Hymn #214	Hail the day that sees him rise	The Hymnal 1982
Postlude	Ascension Fanfare	L. Smith

The Altar flowers this morning are presented to the Glory of God by the Episcopal Church Women in loving memory and honor of all mothers, past and present.

SERVING TODAY

NEXT WEEK

Trinity:

Celebrant: The Rev. Garron C. Daniels+ The Rev. Garron C. Daniels+

Organist: Gay Anderson Gay Anderson
Lector: Laurna Hutchinson Linda Dunnagan
Intercessor: Laurna Hutchinson Linda Dunnagan
CB/Acolyte: Laurna Hutchinson Jeff Dunnagan
Altar Guild: L. Dunnagan M. Molloy

St. Paul's:

Celebrant: The Rev. Garron C. Daniels+ The Rev. Garron C. Daniels+

Organist: Gay Anderson Gay Anderson Crucifer: Dereck Cook Tom Wrausmann Altar Acolyte: Destiny Drennan Nathalia Baum Donna Fisher Acolyte: Meg Dorris Susan Lukasik Susan Lukasik Chalice/BB: Elizabeth Foley Chuck Drennan Lector: Chuck Drennan Elizabeth Foley Intercessor:

Thurifer: Donna Fisher

Altar Guild: S. Lukasik, A. Drennan, D. Drennan N. Weiss-Hayes, S. Lukasik

Greeters: April Drennan Jack Gottlob Ushers: Irene McLaughlin Sandy Gottlob

Calendar and Announcements for the Week of June 1, 2025

Today's Open Offering supports the Rector's Discretionary Fund

Sunday, June 1 12:10 p.m. Confirmation, Baptism & Reception class-St. Paul's

Tuesday, June 3 9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer – St. Paul's

10:00 a.m. Bible Study – St. Paul's conference room 5:30 p.m. Bible Study – St. Paul's conference room

Wednesday, June 4 10:00 a.m. ECW meeting – St. Paul's

Sunday, June 8 The Day of Pentecost: Whitsunday

8:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist at Trinity Chapel 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist at St. Paul's

12:10 p.m. Confirmation, Baptism & Reception class-St. Paul's

12:30-1:30 p.m. Pet Food Pantry - St. Paul's

6:00 p.m. Ignite Youth Choir presents "Grateful for the Gospel"
St. Paul's

Dates you won't want to miss!:

Sunday, June 22 10:30 a.m. Parish service and picnic at Glazebrook Park
Thursday, July 3 5:30 p.m. Independence Day Celebration at St. Paul's/Garden

Bible Study resumes at St. Paul's on Tuesday, June 3rd, at 10:00 a.m. following Morning Prayer at 9:00 a.m. continuing our study of the *Book of Revelation*. We also have a 5:30 p.m. bible study for those who cannot come to morning study. Bring your bibles - we hope to see you there!

The ECW invites all women to join their meeting on Wednesday, June 4th, at 10:00 a.m. at St. Paul's.

Parishioners are needed to take turns providing refreshments for the Sunday Coffee Hour after the 10:30 a.m. service at St. Paul's. The sign-up sheet can be found in Heneghan Hall. Thank you for volunteering!

EPA lapel pins are now available! Get your very own lapel pin to show off your EPA pride! Pins may be purchased from Margie's Bookstore for \$5. Cash or checks (made out to St. Paul's Episcopal Church) are accepted. All proceeds will be given to the educational endeavors of the Church.

From the Altar Guild – Honor someone you love or celebrate a special occasion by purchasing altar flowers for our beautiful altars. Please check one of the sign-up forms at Trinity or St. Paul's to sign up for your special day. Instructions for placing the order can be found on the sign-up sheet. If you have any questions, please reach out to Irene McLaughlin.

The Episcopal Parish of Alton now offers Online Giving! Scan the QR code to make one-time or monthly contributions.



Please remember in your prayers this week:



the Hornburg Family, Fran, Greg, Jim, Irene, Patty, Keegan, Charles, Anna, Tracy and those known only to us.

Please contact the office if you have someone you would like added to the prayer list. Individuals will remain on the list for one month and will be readded upon request.

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JUNE 8 - 6:00 PM

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10 E. 3RD ST. - ALTON

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Please Register by contacting the Church office at:



WORSHIP PICNIC

Sunday, June 22nd Glazebrook Park ~ shelter #1

10:30 a.m. (one service this day)

~POTLUCK LUNCH~

bring a main dish, side dish, salad, or dessert

SIGN UP SHEETS WILL BE AT TRINITY & ST. PAUL'S

beverages, paper goods, and utensils will be provided by Parish Life