

The Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

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and open to all...wherever you are in your journey with God.*

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ENTRANCE HYMN

O Christ, the Word Incarnate

Hymnal 632

1 O Christ, the Word In - car - nate, O Wis - dom from on high,
 2 The Church from our dear Mas - ter re - ceived the word di - vine,
 3 O make thy Church, dear Sa - vior, a lamp of pur - est gold,

O Truth, un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of our dark sky;
 and still that light is lift - ed o'er all the earth to shine.
 to bear be - fore the na - tions thy true light as of old;

we praise thee for the ra - diance that from the scrip - ture's page,
 It is the chart and com - pass that o'er life's surg - ing sea,
 O teach thy wan - dering pil - grims by this their path to trace,

a lan - tern to our foot - steps, shines on from age to age.
 mid mists and rocks and quick - sands, still guides, O Christ, to thee.
 till, clouds and dark - ness end - ed, they see thee face to face.

Words: William Walsham How (1823-1897), alt. Music: *Munich*, melody from *Neu-vermehrtes und zu Übung Christl. Gottseligkeit eingerichtetes Meiningisches Gesangbuch*, 1693; adapt. and harm. Felix Mendelssohn (1807-1847).

All standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
 People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

The Celebrant says

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.**

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 - might - y 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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COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People ***And also with you.***
Celebrant Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

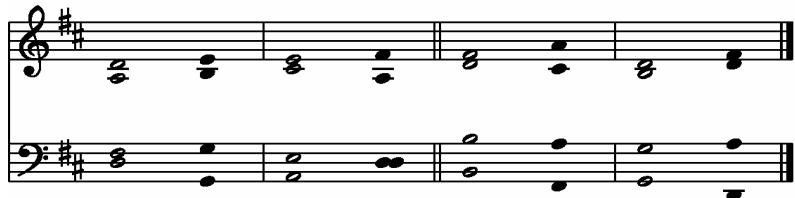
FIRST READING

Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18

Be silent before the Lord GOD! For the day of the LORD is at hand; the LORD has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests. At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts, "The LORD will not do good, nor will he do harm." Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them. The great day of the LORD is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the LORD is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there. That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements. I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the LORD, their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung. Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the Lord's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

Reader *Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people*
People ***Thanks be to God***

Psalm 90:1-8, 12



- 1 Lord, you have been our **dwelling-place**
in all **generations**.
- 2 Before the mountains were brought forth,
or ever you had formed the earth and the **world**,
from everlasting to everlasting you are **God**.
- 3 You turn us back to **dust**,
and say, "Turn back, you **mortals**."
- 4 For a thousand years in your sight
are like yesterday when it is **past**,
or like a watch in the **night**.
- 5 You sweep them away; they are like a **dream**,
like grass that is renewed in the **morning**;
- 6 in the morning it flourishes and is **renewed**;
in the evening it fades and **withers**.
- 7 For we are consumed by your **anger**;
by your wrath we are **overwhelmed**.
- 8 You have set our iniquities **before you**,
our secret sins in the light of your **countenance**.
- 12 So teach us to count our **days**
that we may gain a wise **heart**.

SECOND READING

- 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has

destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

Reader *Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people*
People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN

All Stand.

Open your ears, O faithful people

Hymnal 536

1 O - pen your ears, O faith - ful peo - ple,
 2 They who have ears to hear the mes - sage,
 3 Is ra - el comes to greet the Sa - vior,
 4 O - pen your ears, O faith - ful peo - ple,

o - pen your ears and hear God's word. O - pen your hearts, O
 they who have ears, then let them hear. They who would learn the
 Ju - dah is glad to see his day. From east and west the
 o - pen your ears and hear God's word. O - pen your hearts, O

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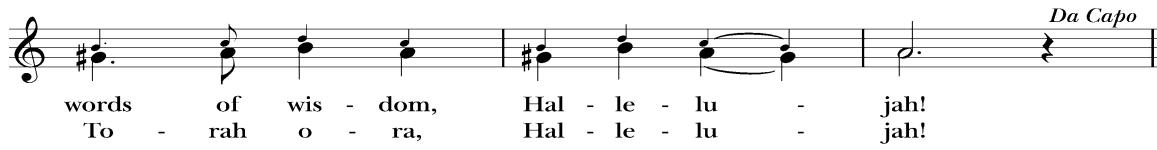
roy - al priest - hood, God has come to you.
 way of wis - dom, let them hear God's word.
 peo - ples trav - el, he will show the way.
 roy - al priest - hood, God has come to you.

God has spo - ken to his peo - ple, Hal - le - lu - jah!

And his words are words of wis - dom, Hal - le - lu -

jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! God has spo - ken to his peo - ple,
 To - rah o - ra, To - rah o - ra,

Hal - le - lu - jah! And his words are
 To - rah o - ra,



"Torah ora" is Hebrew for, "The Law is our Light."

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HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 25:14-30

All Stand.

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

"For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

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

Sermon

- The Very Rev. Peter Browning

NICENE CREED

All stand and together say

**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 became truly human.**

**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 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

The day of the Lord is soon upon us, a day not of wrath but of salvation. As children of the light and of the day, let us await the coming of the Lord in prayer on behalf of the human family around the world, saying:

O God, for the sake of Christ,
Have mercy on us.

Let us pray for those who are not ready for the coming of the Lord, for the unbelieving, the skeptical, the scorners, that they may be brought to faith and rejoice to confess the name of the Lord.

O God, for the sake of Christ,
Have mercy on us

Let us pray for those who use their lips and lives to proclaim the good news of Christ's return, that they may persist in their zeal, empowered and emboldened through the gifts of your Spirit.

O God, for the sake of Christ,
Have mercy on us

Let us pray for those who, with joy and longing, await the return of the Messiah, that they may not grow weary in well-doing, but witness to the immediate and everlasting promise of our Lord Redeemer.

O God, for the sake of Christ,
Have mercy on us

Let us pray for those whose lives are marked by hunger and need, grief and loneliness, anger and strife, discord and uncertainty, that each may be assured of the grace and mercy of God.

O God, for the sake of Christ,
Have mercy on us

Let us pray for those who suffer affliction of any kind, that God, their constant companion and champion, may grant them healing and hope and life.

O God, for the sake of Christ,
Have mercy on us

Let us pray for those who are prevented from praying with us, the persecuted and their persecutors, that each may be convinced of the good news of Jesus Christ and respond with faith and commitment.

O God, for the sake of Christ,
Have mercy on us

Let us pray for ourselves, that the Spirit will ready us for the return of our Savior and King, that we may enjoy forever the exhilarating life awaiting the faithful in heaven.

O God, for the sake of Christ,
Have mercy on us

Other intercessions may now be offered.

The Celebrant continues

Because you are God, you hear our prayers. Because you are merciful, you promise to answer. We commend to you, merciful God, ourselves and those for whom we pray, through the crucified and risen Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen**

CONFESSON OF SIN

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins to God.

Ministers and People together say

God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.

We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.

We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.

Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

PEACE

All Stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS *See back of bulletin for announcements.*

OFFERTORY HYMN

O God, our help in ages past

Hymnal 680

Verses 1 – 6

1 O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
2 un - der the sha - dow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or earth re - ceived her frame,
4 A thou - sand a - ges in thy sight are like an eve - ning gone;
5 Time, like an ev - er - roll-ing stream, bears all our years a - way;

1 our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
2 suf - fi - cient is thine arm a - lone, and our de - fence is sure.
3 from ev - er - last - ing thou art God, to end-less years the same.
4 short as the watch that ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.
5 they fly, for - got - ten, as a dream dies at the o - pening day.

6 O God, our help in ages past, be thou our guide while life shall last,
our hope for years to come, and our eternal home.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt.; para. of Psalm 90. Music: *St. Anne*, melody att. William Croft (1678-1727), alt.; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889).

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Enriching Our Worship Eucharistic Prayer 1

The people remain standing.

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 our thanks and praise.***

Celebrant continues

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing (say):

SANCTUS (8AM SAID, 10AM SUNG)

Hymnal S 125



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, 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."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with Andrew and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name forever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Celebrant then continues

As our Savior Christ
has taught us,
we now pray,

People and Celebrant

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 forever. Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Celebrant says

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.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

Jesus, we believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. We love you above all things, and long for you in our souls. Since some of us are not able now to receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into all of our hearts. As though you have already come, we embrace you and unite ourselves entirely to you; never permit us to be separated from you. Amen.

(St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787; from Bishop Curry)

Everyone is invited to come to the altar. If you do not wish to receive the sacrament, simply cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

COMMUNION HYMN

'Tis the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free

Hymnal 554



'Tis the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free,
'tis the gift to come down where we ought to be,
and when we find our - selves in the place just right,
'twill be in the val - ley of love and de - light.
When true sim - pli - ci - ty is gained to
bow and to bend we shan't be a-shamed, to turn, turn, will
be our de-light till by turn - ing, turn - ing we come round right.

Words: Shaker song, 18th cent. Music: *Simple Gifts*, Joseph Brackett (1797-1822); acc. Margaret W. Mealy (b. 1922).

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

**God of abundance,
you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

BLESSING

The priest blesses the people, saying

Live without fear: your Creator has made you holy, has always protected you, and loves you as a mother. Go in peace to follow the good road and may God's blessing be with you always. *Amen.* (source: *from Saint Claire*)

POSTCOMMUNION HYMN

I want to walk as a child of the light

Hymnal 490



1. I want to walk as a child of the light.
 2. I want to see the brightness of God.
 3. I'm looking for the coming of Christ.

I want to follow Je sus.
 I want to look at Je sus.
 I want to be with Je sus.

God set the stars to give light to the world.
 Clear sun of right-eous-ness, shine on my path.
 When we have run with pa-tience, The race, and we The and we.

star of my life is Je sus.
 show me the way to the Fa ther.
 shall know the joy of Je sus.

Refrain

In him there is no dark-ness at all. The

night and the day are both a - like. The
 Lamb is the light of the ci - ty of God.

a tempo

Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

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DISMISSAL

LEM Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Prayer List *Please take this list home to remember those who need your daily prayers.*

For the Church

Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury
Michael, Presiding Bishop
John, Bishop of the Diocese
Hosam E. Naoum, Archbishop of Jerusalem

For the Bishop's Committee
Ellen, Debbie, Wardens
Peter, Thomas, Priests
Ministry of Canterbury Irvine
Saint Andrew's Children's Center

For the Government and the Nations of the World:

Joseph, our President
Supreme Court of the United States

Congress of the United States
Gavin, our Governor

For Those in College

Hank, Kate, Shannon, Audrey, Montgomery, Tess, Allece, Aidan, Zachary, Jonathan, Caitlin, Matthew, Gram. Emma, Haven, Catherine, Bryce, Maya, Louis

Guidance

Healing

Corinne Lakes	Mollie	Judi Matthews	Susan	Mary Baker
Kenna	Sandy Wilson	Cyrene Pellegrino	Stephanie	Cecily Wright
Knox	Dirk	Lynn	Janet Smith	Kelli Grace
Mike Catalano	Katrina	Jim B Roy	Sandy Christiansen	Richard Cook
Mitsuye	Bernice	Anthony	Louise	Dean

Long Term Needs

AA Groups	Patti	Stacy Watson
Bob Mitchell	Susan D'Zmura	Sue Lawyer
Chris Bennett	Heather	Jan Wingerter
Diane Atkatz	Vivian	Nora
Donna Westlund	Lyle Menzel	Ted
Hilda Rubin	Jerry Lay	Patti Patel
Jack Selman	Julie	Jennie
John Selman	Karen	Dana Hollinger
Merrilee Gardner	Carl	

Pets: Smudges, Maggie, Wolfie, Chloe, Marcel

Repose of the Soul: Shealley Pearson, John Hall

Comfort for: Gwen Larsen, Pearson family, Teri Poythress and family, Hall family

For those in the Military: 1st LT. Ryan Hane, S/Sgt Shea Marie Oldfield

Ongoing Scheduled Activities

Monday

10:30am **Volunteer at Woodbridge**

St. Andrew's volunteers staff a Food Bank for approximately 85 residents at this apartment complex for low-income seniors and disabled adults. We receive food donated by local grocers, unpack it and organize it on tables for the residents to "shop" for their groceries. We have a group of loyal volunteers and we can always use more help. If you can help, we'd love to have you join us. We meet every other Monday at 10:30 am. with the exception of federal holidays. It takes about 2 hours. Contact Catherine Sharbaugh for more information. We can always use cardboard egg cartons and small plastic containers (like the ones raspberries come in). Please bring what you can to the church.

Wednesday

The **Virtual Book Group** meets every Wednesday at 11:00 am followed by noonday prayer. Scroll down to Events and Activities on our website home page for the current reading, and contact the **office** to be added to the Zoom invitation.

Thursday

6pm **Virtual Evening Prayer** livestreamed via Facebook.

Monthly

First Monday of the Month

- **Grief Support Group** meets in Fellowship Court. All who are seeking support are welcome.

Second Tuesday of the Month

- **Prayer Shawl Ministry** meets at 3pm in Fellowship Court Patio. Some ministry members who cannot attend the monthly meeting knit or crochet shawls and prayer cloths at home. If you are a newcomer to Prayer Shawl, please contact Sharon Brooks at sharonem199@gmail.com. If you are in need of a prayer shawl, send a message to Sharon or ask any Prayer Shawl member.



Third Saturday of the Month

- **Men's Group** will meet at 8:30am at Mimi's for breakfast and fellowship. All are welcome. Contact Peter if interested.

Community Groups

Al-Anon - Mon 7pm, Fellowship Court

AA Over 50 - Fri 10:30am, Fellowship Court

Brothers in Sobriety - Fri 7:30pm, Fellowship Court

Sunrise Sobriety - Daily 6:30am, Fellowship Court

High School Performance Group - Wednesday 6-8pm

Korean Orchestra - Saturday 7- 9pm

Pneuma Chapel - Sunday 12:30pm, Church. Thursday, Friday 5:30-6:30am, Saturday 6:00-7:00am

Announcements

Support for a Refugee Family

St. Andrew's established a committee to work with the diocesan program Interfaith Refugee & Immigration Service (IRIS) to help support a family who have recently immigrated to the United States. After several meetings with the head of IRIS a family has been identified for us.

The family is from Afghanistan and are just moving into an apartment in Woodbridge. There are two parents, twin 13-year-old boys, and a 6-year-old girl.

They have been promised items such as beds and dishes from friends, but will need other things as well.

To view the Google Doc which lists things they have requested the website address is:
<https://forms.gle/bvEbzmJthsVjBQEZ6>

If you have any of the items on the list you would be willing to donate, please complete and submit the form and send a photo of the item(s) to Donna Catalano.

United Thank Offering

The United Thank Offering (UTO) invites every Episcopalian to NOTICE the good things that happen each day, GIVE thanks to God for your blessings, MAKE an offering for each blessing by dropping a coin in a UTO box, and every penny you donate becomes BLESSINGS for others through UTO grants. Motivated by the Beatitudes to focus on the least among us (Matthew 25:36), the theme of this year's grants will be "Welcoming the Stranger."

Pick up your traditional blue or the new "color-your-own" UTO box in the Narthex then over the month of November use the [November Gratitude Calendar](#) to daily challenge you and your family to notice the blessings in your life and put a coin or dollars in acknowledgement of them into your UTO box each day.



Sunday School - Expert day care for infants and children younger than 5 during the 10 am church service is provided by Samira Sameni, who is a preschool teacher at our Saint Andrew's Children's Center. Drop-off is in the Children's Center courtyard.

Sunday School for children ages 5 to 12 during the 10 a.m. service is held outdoors in the Saint Andrew's Children's Center courtyard. However, in cases of rainy or cold weather, we instead meet in the 2nd floor lobby of the Children's Center building. Simply follow the arrow on the A-frame sign that leads you to us.

In Sunday School during November, we are learning about gratitude and thanksgiving using UTO materials and making Prayer Journals. If you missed it, you can pick up a UTO box for your child in the Narthex and have them put a coin in the box whenever they're especially grateful for something in their daily life. All the money collected will go to UTO grants that foster "Welcoming the Stranger" in the US and the wider world through the Anglican Communion. Bring the boxes back to church on December 3. If you have any questions or feedback about Sunday School, please contact our Sunday School teacher, Tammy Smecker-Hane (tsmecker@cox.net).

Climate Connections Pilot Program – St. Andrew's, in conjunction with the Diocese of Los Angeles, is currently working on our draft disaster resiliency plan. We will be asking you for some input via a [brief survey](#). The survey asks if you would like to receive a text from St. Andrew's during an emergency so that we can check on your safety and offer help. It also asks if you have special skills or certifications that we might use should a disaster occur.

*Please keep checking the St. Andrew's website for new resources:
<https://standrewsirvine.org/outreach-justice/creation-care>*

Coffee Hour Composting

We are continuing our coffee hour composting. Please note the posted signs for disposing of organic waste.

We have compostable cups for coffee, tea, and cold drinks. Napkins and uncoated plates can be composted.

- Utensils and coated plates cannot be composted.
- We ask that you put all the compostable waste in cardboard boxes and/or the Waste Management organics bin.
- You are also welcome to bring your own commuter cups.

If you are bringing snacks, please use the compostable or reusable materials we have provided. Many of the items supplied by restaurants or bakeries are coated and cannot be composted.



Clergy & Staff

The Rt. Rev. John Taylor, Bishop
The Very Rev. Peter Browning, Vicar
The Rev. Thomas Lee, Assistant (Korean)
Paul Sammon, Minister of Music
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Sharon Brooks
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Chris Sardo

Today's Service

8:00 AM

Celebrating: The Very Rev. Peter Browning
LEM: Dave Hatton

10:00 AM

Celebrating: The Very Rev. Peter Browning
LEMS: Kathy Cartelli, Carolyn Ybarra
Lectors: Ted, Kathy R
Acolytes: Micah Lakes-Kay, Arianne Bruckner



Welcome to St. Andrew's Episcopal Church. Our service will be video recorded. If you do not wish your image to appear in the livestream, please ask an usher for assistance.

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