

The Twenty-fifth Sunday After Pentecost
November 15, 2026 ~ 7:30 am

CONCERNING THE SERVICE

Once you enter the church, please maintain the silence before the liturgy begins. In the Episcopal tradition, we use this time to pray, reflect, and prepare for worship.

"BCP" refers to the Book of Common Prayer.

The + symbol indicates an appropriate time to make the sign of the Cross. Many people bow while saying the italicized words in the Nicene Creed and when the Name of Jesus is said if they are standing instead of kneeling. These practices are not required, and they are noted as a convenience for those who choose to do so.

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL & NURSERY

We love children! We are happy they are here and want them to know that God loves them, and that they are most welcome in the house of God. We have comic book Bibles, coloring sheets, and sensory kits available—just ask an usher.

We offer Children's Chapel (worship for children) and Nursery (infants and toddlers) during the 9 am and 11:15 am services.

Please check your mobile devices to make sure
that they are in silent mode before the service begins.

Hearing assist devices are available; please ask an usher,
and they will be happy to provide you with one.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

The flowers on the altar and the sanctuary lamp
are given to the glory of God.

The candles on the altar are given to the glory of God,
and in memory of Mark Gall on the sixth anniversary of his death
by Gina Doctolero and their family.

PRELUDE — Dr. Brett Judson

Aria from *Suite for Organ* — Philip Baker (b. 1934)

Please stand at the ringing of the bell.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN — Hymnal #535

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim — PADERBORN

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION — BCP 355

Celebrant + Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY — BCP 355

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.**

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW — Matthew 22:37-40

Hear what our Lord *Jesus* Christ tells us: "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord *Jesus* Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
***Jesus* Christ,**
with the Holy Spirit,
+ in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE SALUTATION BCP 357

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

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY BCP 236

(*Kneeling or standing*)

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.**

Please be seated.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON — 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 The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

1 Lord, you have been our refuge *
from one generation to another.

2 Before the mountains were brought forth,
or the land and the earth were born, *
from age to age you are God.

3 You turn us back to the dust and say, *
"Go back, O child of earth."

4 For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past *
and like a watch in the night.

5 You sweep us away like a dream; *
we fade away suddenly like the grass.

6 In the morning it is green and flourishes; *
in the evening it is dried up and withered.

7 For we consume away in your displeasure; *
we are afraid because of your wrathful indignation.

8 Our iniquities you have set before you, *
and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.

9 When you are angry, all our days are gone; *
we bring our years to an end like a sigh.

10 The span of our life is seventy years,
perhaps in strength even eighty; *
yet the sum of them is but labor and sorrow,
for they pass away quickly and we are gone.

11 Who regards the power of your wrath? *
who rightly fears your indignation?

12 So teach us to number our days *
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

THE SECOND LESSON 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 The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand.

SEQUENCE HYMN — Hymnal #551

Rise up, ye saints of God! — FESTAL SONG

THE HOLY GOSPEL — Matthew 25:14-30

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord *Jesus* Christ according to St. Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "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.’”

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

THE SERMON the Rev’d Bret Hays

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND CONFESSION Form VI, BCP 392

(*Kneeling or standing*)

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Sean our Presiding Bishop, and Megan our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in God's Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

The People may add their own petitions and intercessions, silently or aloud.

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

The People may add their own thanksgivings, silently or aloud.

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have + died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

The People may add their own intercessions, silently or aloud.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

(*Silence*)

All **Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;**
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through *Jesus* Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION BCP 360

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.**

Please stand.

THE PEACE BCP 360

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you would like to make an offering to the church, or if you would like to submit a visitor's card on your way out today, please use the red boxes on the inside of the front doors.

To make an altar flower, altar candle, or sanctuary lamp dedication, or to receive Trinity Tidings, our e-newsletter, visit our website or contact the church office.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE — BCP 376

OFFERTORY — Dr. Brett Judson

Psalm 19 — Benedetto Marcello (1686-1739)

Please stand.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING — Eucharistic Prayer B, BCP 367

SURSUM CORDA — BCP 367

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 God thanks and praise.**

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. (*Here a Proper Preface is said.*)

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:

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 people kneel or stand.

Celebrant We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, *Jesus*, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord *Jesus* Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." +

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

Celebrant And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, + being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through *Jesus* Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

+ By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER BCP 364

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

Our 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 BCP 364

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

THE FRACTION ANTHEM BCP 364

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION BCP 364

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All baptized Christians, regardless of age or denomination, are invited to receive Communion in the Episcopal Church. If you are not baptized, but feel called to Communion, then you are also being called to baptism; please speak to one of the clergy for more information.

COMMUNION

To honor the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, please continue standing or kneeling, as able, during the distribution of Communion.

Gluten-free wafers are available for those who need them. The appropriate response when receiving the bread and the wine is "Amen." When receiving the wine, hold the base of the chalice and guide it to your lips, tipping it until you can sip from it. Intinction is not permitted in this parish. If you receive the bread, but not the wine, cross your arms in front of your chest when the chalice comes to you. If you do not wish to receive the bread or the wine, you may cross your arms in front of your chest to receive a blessing, or you may remain in your pew.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER BCP 365

(*Kneeling or standing*)

Celebrant Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior *Jesus* Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

(*Kneeling or standing*)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Celebrant The blessing of God Almighty, + the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you this day and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Please stand.

RECESSIONAL HYMN Hymnal #541

Come, labor on ORA LABORA

THE DISMISSAL BCP 366

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE Dr. Brett Judson

Hornpipe from *Water Music* George Frideric Handel (1865-1759)

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