THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
CHRIST THE KING
YEAR A ✠ NOVEMBER 22, 2026

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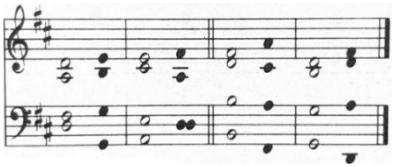
THE ENTRANCE HYMN "Now thank we all our God" Hymn 397

TRADITIONAL COLLECT, PROPER 29 BCP 185
Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in thy well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

CONTEMPORARY COLLECT, PROPER 29 BCP 236
Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON *Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24*
Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.
Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep.
I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

THE PSALM *95:1-7a* music by Jerome Webster Meachen (1930-2015)



1 Come, let us sing to the / Lord; *
  let us shout for joy to the Rock of our sal-/ vation.
2 Let us come before his presence with thanks-/ giving *
  and raise a loud shout to him with / psalms.
3 For the Lord is a great / God, *
  and a great King above all / gods.
4 In his hand are the caverns of the / earth, *
  and the heights of the hills are his / also.
5 The sea is his, for he / made it, *
  and his hands have molded the dry / land.
6 Come, let us bow down, and bend the / knee, *
  and kneel before the Lord our / Maker.

2nd half of chant

7 For he is our / God, *
  and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his / hand.

THE SECOND LESSON *Ephesians 1:15-23*

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

During the hymn, all children and youth are invited to follow the banner-bearer to Children's Church. They will return at the Peace.

SEQUENCE HYMN "Come ye thankful people, come" Hymnal 290

THE GOSPEL *Matthew 25:31-46*

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a

stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

THE SERMON

OFFERTORY *Thanks Be To Thee* Siegfried Ochs (1858–1929)
(attributed to G.F. Handel)

Thanks be to thee. Thy holy name be ever blest, glory, honor and praise be thine.
Praise and adoration we sing unto thee.
Thy lovingkindness doth forever prevail, tenderly guiding all those who come unto thee.
Thou art the King o'er land and sea. Praise, adoration, we sing unto thee.
(anonymous)

PRESENTATION HYMN *St. James,* v. 3, "With gratitude and humble trust" worship booklet p. 9

After the Invitation, all baptized persons may come forward to receive Holy Communion. If you are not baptized or do not wish to receive Communion, you may come forward and cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing instead. For gluten-free wafers, ask at the rail.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Hymn	"Hail to the Lord's Anointed, great David's greater Son!"	Hymnal 616
Hymn	"Christ is the King"	Hymnal 614
Hymn	"Christ the worker"	Hymnal 611

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER AND BLESSING worship booklet p. 14

CLOSING HYMN "King of glory, King of peace" Hymnal 382

DISMISSAL worship booklet p. 15
VOLUNTARY *Now Thank We All Our God* setting by Paul Manz

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Flowers on the altar** are given to the glory of God by **Tom Jagusch** in loving memory of his mother **Nancy Anne Malone Jagusch.**
- The **Vestry Person of the Day** is **Kirk Brown.**
- Today **ECW Bake Sale** in the Parish Hall before and after the 10:30 service
- Nov 25 Wed The parish office closes at 1 PM and reopens Mon, Nov 30 at 9:00 AM
  + There is **NO** Wednesday Dinner or Programing this evening. Happy Thanksgiving!
- Nov 29 Sun **Advent Wreath-making** for all ages, before & after the 10:30 service. If you have a wreath-making form at home, bring it; we will have a limited supply available.
  + **Advent Giving Tree** begins. Pick out an ornament and give a Christmas gift to a Wonderful Days student. Wrapped gifts are due back by Sunday, Dec 13. More info in Bells.
- Dec 2 Wed **1st Wednesday Healing Service** in the Sanctuary at 12:30 PM.
- Dec 5 Sat **Wonder Church & Guardian's Night Out** Wonder Church begins at 5:30 in the Parish Hall, following the service children are invited to stay for a movie, pizza and activities while the adults enjoy some time on the Square. Children are to be picked up by 8:00. Register with Natalie.
- Dec 6 Sun **Easton Davis** will be joining us to film a **welcome video** for our website. Mark your calendars!
  + Diocesan Confirmation 4:00 PM at the Cathedral of St. Philip, come out and support our confirmands!
- Dec 13 **Advent Lessons & Carols** at 4:00 PM in the Sanctuary
- **Forward Day by Day** devotions for Nov – Jan are available in the tract rack by the library.
- **2027 Church Year calendars** are available in the Narthex, the parish office and beneath the two hall monitors. Grab yours today.

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