

CHRIST THE REDEEMER ANGELICAN CHURCH

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Trinitytide

Proper 27



Wise and Foolish Virgins
William Blake, 1826

Holy Eucharist

November 12, 2023, 10:00 a.m.

This service is taken from *The Book of Common Prayer* (2019) of the Anglican Church in North America and from *The Hymnal 1982*. The congregation stands as able at the introduction to a hymn, except during Communion. Physical acts of worship are optional: crossing †, bowing ↓, kneeling, standing.

We enter this consecrated place with reverence, quietly preparing ourselves to meet Almighty God.

At Christ the Redeemer, we are happy to see families and parishioners of all ages sitting together in church. Wiggling, babbling, playing in the pews, and yes, even a moderate amount of crying is welcomed (from children, that is!). We thank you, parents, for being here with your families, and you are encouraged to sit with your children upfront where they can see.

THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE Two preludes in F Johann Ludwig Krebs (1713–1780)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 436 Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates *Truro*

THE ACCLAMATION *The Book of Common Prayer*, p. 105

Celebrant: † Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY BCP, p. 106

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 BCP, p. 106

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ 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 a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets. (*Matthew 22:37–40*)

THE KYRIE BCP, p. 106

(*On hearing God's law, we pray for mercy: forgiveness for breaking the law, grace to keep it.*)

↓ Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us. ↑

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

BCP, p. 107

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to God's peo-ple on earth. Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-
 might-y God and Fa-ther, ↓ we wor-ship you, ↑ we give you thanks, we
 praise you for your glo - ry. ↓ Lord Je-sus Christ, ↑ on-ly Son—
 of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of— God, you take a - way the
 sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat-ed at the
 right hand of the— Fa-ther: ↓ re - ceive our— prayer. ↑
 For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the
 Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, ↓ Je - sus Christ, ↑— with the
 Ho - ly Spir - it, — † in the glo - ry of God the—
 Fa - ther.— A - men. Glo-ry to God in the



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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY Proper 27
(Week of the Sunday from November 6 to November 12)

BCP, p. 622

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: **And with your spirit.**
Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSON (*sitting*) (ESV pew Bible, p. 768)

Amos 5:18–24

Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD!
Why would you have the day of the LORD?
It is darkness, and not light,
as if a man fled from a lion,
and a bear met him,
or went into the house and leaned his hand against the wall,
and a serpent bit him.
Is not the day of the LORD darkness, and not light,
and gloom with no brightness in it?

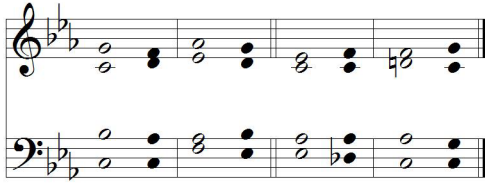
“I hate, I despise your feasts,
and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.
Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings,
I will not accept them;
and the peace offerings of your fattened animals,
I will not look upon them.
Take away from me the noise of your songs;
to the melody of your harps I will not listen.
But let justice roll down like waters,
and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.”

After the reading: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM 70 (*standing*)

BCP, p. 357

(Using natural word rhythms and emphases, sing the text on the reciting note. At the last accented syllable — preceded below by a slash — change to the cadential note.)



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- 1 Hasten, O God, to de- / liver me; *
make haste to help me, O / LORD.
 - 2 Let them be ashamed and confounded who seek after my / life; *
let them be turned back and put to confusion who wish me / evil.
 - 3 Let them be soon brought to / shame *
who cry over me, “Aha! A- / ha!”
 - 4 But let all those who seek you be joyful and / glad in you; *
and let all who delight in your
salvation say always, “The Lord be / praised.”
 - 5 As for me, I am poor and in / misery; *
hasten to me, O / God.
 - 6 You are my helper and my de- / liverer; *
O LORD, do not / tarry.
- ↓ Glory be to the Father, and to the / Son, *
and to the Holy / Spirit; ↑
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever / shall be, *
world without end. A- / men.

THE EPISTLE (*sitting*)

(ESV pew Bible, p. 987)

1 Thessalonians 4:13–18

But we [Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy] do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

After the reading: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE ALLELUIA *(standing)*

(Congregation sings Alleluia; cantor sings verse; congregation repeats the Alleluia.)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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Cantor: “Stay awake and be ready,
for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming.”

—from Matthew 24:42, 44

THE GOSPEL

(ESV pew Bible, p. 830)

Matthew 25:1–13

*(The sign of the cross may be made with the thumb on forehead, lips, and chest,
to remind us to honor Christ with our thoughts, words, and heart.)*

Before the reading: ††† The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to St. Matthew.

People: ↓ **Glory to you, Lord Christ.** ↑

*(It is customary to face the Gospel Book and Reader,
which represent Christ coming among us as truth and light.)*

“Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a cry, ‘Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ But the wise answered, saying, ‘Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.’ And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ But he answered, ‘Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.’ Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.”

After the reading: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: ↓ **Praise to you, Lord Christ.** ↑

HYMN 68 Rejoice! rejoice, believers

Llangloffan

THE SERMON

Fr. Samuel

Celebrant: Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, visible and invisible.**

**We believe in one Lord, ↓ Jesus Christ, ↑
the only-begotten 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,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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,
who with the Father and the Son ↓ is worshiped and glorified, ↑
who 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.**

Deacon: Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Intercessor: Almighty and everliving God, we are taught by your holy Word to offer prayers and supplications and to give thanks for all people. We humbly ask you mercifully to receive our prayers. Inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all who confess your holy Name may agree in the truth of your holy Word, and live in unity and godly love. (*Silent prayer*)

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

We pray that you will lead the nations of the world in the way of righteousness; and so guide and direct their leaders, especially Joe Biden, our President, that your people may enjoy the blessings of freedom and peace. Grant that our leaders may impartially

administer justice, uphold integrity and truth, restrain wickedness and vice, and protect true religion and virtue. (*Silent prayer*)

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Give grace, heavenly Father, to all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, and especially to your servants, Foley Beach, our Archbishop, and Andrew Williams, our Bishop, that by their life and teaching, they may proclaim your true and lifegiving Word, and rightly and duly administer your holy Sacraments. And to all your people give your heavenly grace, especially to this Congregation, that with reverent and obedient hearts we may hear and receive your holy Word, and serve you in holiness and righteousness all the days of our lives. (*Silent prayer*)

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Prosper, we pray, all those who proclaim the Gospel of your kingdom throughout the world, and strengthen us to fulfill your great commission, making disciples of all nations, baptizing them and teaching them to obey all that you have commanded. (*Silent prayer*)

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

We ask you in your goodness, O Lord, to comfort and sustain all who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. (*Silent prayer*)

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

We remember before you all your servants who have departed this life in your faith and fear, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we ask you to give us grace to follow the good examples of all your saints, that we may share with them in your heavenly kingdom. (*Silent prayer*)

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SIN

BCP, p. 112

Deacon: All who truly and earnestly repent of your sins, and seek to live in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking in his holy ways: draw near with faith and make your humble confession to Almighty God.

**Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
maker and judge of us all:**

**We acknowledge and lament our many sins and offenses,
which we have committed by thought, word, and deed
against your divine majesty,**

provoking most justly your righteous anger against us.

**We are deeply sorry for these our transgressions;
the burden of them is more than we can bear.**

Have mercy upon us,

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;

**for your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may evermore serve and please you
in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Celebrant: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, † have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

BCP, p. 113

(The Celebrant may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying:)
Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest (*Matthew 11:28*).

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life (*John 3:16*).

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners (*1 Timothy 1:15*).

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world (*1 John 2:1–2*).

THE PEACE (*standing*)

BCP, p. 114

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And with your spirit.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

BCP, p. 114

(We bring gifts of bread, wine, and money — our offering back to God the fruit of our labor and the means by which we live. The opportunity to worship through giving online is available at <https://ctrnorthshore.org/give/>.)

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Keep your lamps trimmed and burning

(The Cherubim Choir; Cyndi Kreyling, director)

African-American spiritual
2003, Greg Gilpin (b. 1964)

*Keep your lamps trimmed and burning:
the time is drawing nigh.*

Children, don't get weary:
the time is drawing nigh.

Christian journey soon be over:
the time is drawing nigh.

—Based on Matthew 25:1–13

OFFERTORY HYMN 61 “Sleepers, wake!” A voice astounds us *Wachet auf*

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

BCP, p. 114

Celebrant: Yours, O LORD, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O LORD, and you are exalted as Head above all.

All things come from you, O LORD,
People: **And of your own have we given you.**
(1 Chronicles 29:11, 14)

THE SURSUM CORDA

BCP, p. 115

Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. **And with your spir - it.**

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth,

The Preface of the Lord’s Day BCP, p. 152

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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:

THE SANCTUS

BCP, p. 115

↓ Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Lord God of pow - er and

might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high-est. † Bless-ed is he who comes in the
 Name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION *(kneeling or sitting)*

BCP, p. 116

All praise and glory is yours, O God our heavenly Father, for in your tender mercy, you gave your only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption. He made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and he instituted, and in his Holy Gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

So now, O merciful Father, in your great goodness, we ask you to bless and sanctify, with your Word and Holy Spirit, these gifts of bread and wine, that we, receiving them according to your Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

For on the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me." †

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me." †

Therefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of your dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we your humble servants celebrate and make here before your divine Majesty, with these holy gifts, the memorial your Son commanded us to make; remembering his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and his promise to come again.

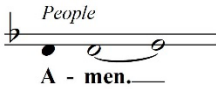
And we earnestly desire your fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this, our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; asking you to grant that, by the merits and death of your Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his Blood, we and your whole Church may obtain forgiveness of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present to you, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice. We humbly pray that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of your

Son Jesus Christ, † be filled with your grace and heavenly benediction, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, because of our many sins, to offer you any sacrifice, yet we ask you to accept this duty and service we owe, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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.

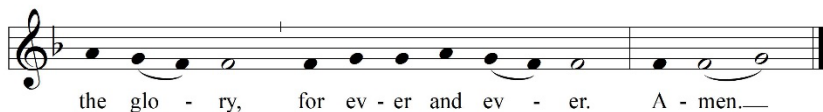


THE LORD'S PRAYER

S 119 / BCP, p. 118

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

Our — Fa - ther, who art in heav - en, hal - low - ed —
be thy — Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done, —
on earth as it — is — in heav - en. Give us this
day our dai - ly bread. — And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power, and



the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.---

Words: Matthew 6:9-13

Setting: Gregorian Chant, adapted by C. Winfred Douglas (1867-1944)

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THE FRACTION

(A period of silence is kept.)

BCP, p. 118

Celebrant

Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Passover is sac - ri - ficed for us.

People

There-fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

BCP, p. 119

**We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in your abundant and great mercies.**

**We are not worthy so much as to gather up
the crumbs under your table;
but you are the same Lord
whose character is always to have mercy.**

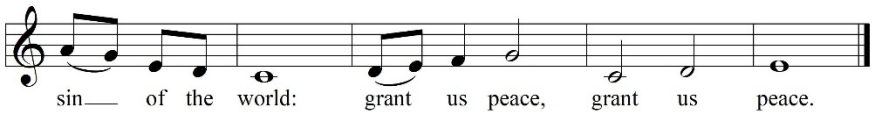
**Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ,
and to drink his blood,
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body,
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,
and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

(Based on Mark 7:28 & John 6:56)

THE AGNUS DEI

BCP, p. 119

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



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THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

BCP, p. 119

(Facing the People, the Celebrant may say the following invitation:)

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.]

(or this:)

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.

(John 1:29, Revelation 19:9)

All baptized Christians, including children, are welcome to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion at the altar rail. We kneel, if possible, as a sign of humility and gratitude for Christ's gift of himself to us.

To receive the bread, cup your hands together, palms open and lifted. To receive the wine, assist the server in guiding the chalice to your lips, or retain the bread and dip it into the wine.

Anyone not receiving the Sacrament is welcome to come forward and receive a blessing; please indicate this intention by crossing your arms over your chest.

Those not able to come forward may notify an usher of their need to be served in the pew.

Gluten-free wafers are available at the left end of the altar rail (the organ side).

MUSIC AT COMMUNION

Hymn 328 Draw nigh and take the Body of the Lord

Song 46

Hymn Safe in the shadow of the Lord

Creator God



1 Safe in the shadow of the Lord
 beneath his hand and power,
 I trust in him,
 I trust in him,
 my fortress and my tower.

2 My hope is set on God alone
 though Satan spreads his snare;
 I trust in him,
 I trust in him,
 to keep me in his care.

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| <p>3 From fears and phantoms of the night,
from foes about my way,
I trust in him,
I trust in him,
by darkness as by day.</p> <p>4 His holy angels keep my feet
secure from every stone;
I trust in him,
I trust in him,
and unafraid go on.</p> | <p>5 Strong in the everlasting Name,
and in my Father's care,
I trust in him,
I trust in him,
who hears and answers prayer.</p> <p>6 Safe in the shadow of the Lord,
possessed by love divine,
I trust in him,
I trust in him,
and meet his love with mine.</p> |
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THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER (*kneeling or sitting*)

BCP, p. 121

**Almighty and everliving God,
 we thank you for feeding us, in these holy mysteries,
 with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood
 of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
 and for assuring us, through this Sacrament, of your favor
 and goodness towards us:
 that we are true members of the mystical body of your Son,
 the blessed company of all faithful people;
 and are also heirs, through hope,
 of your everlasting kingdom.
 And we humbly ask you, heavenly Father,
 to assist us with your grace,
 that we may continue in that holy fellowship,
 and do all the good works that you have prepared for us to walk in;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,
 to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
 be all honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

BCP, p. 121

Response: Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

BCP, p. 122

Response: Thanks be to God.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 454 Jesus came, adored by angels

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POSTLUDE Two preludes in C

Johann Ludwig Krebs (1713–1780)

The closing acts of worship are the extinguishing of candles and the Postlude, for which the people may kneel or sit (or leave quietly). Thank you for not applauding.

Altar Flowers: Today's altar flowers are given in loving memory of Betty Shaw, on the occasion of her birthday.

Healing Prayer: Please join us in the Pendleton Chapel for healing prayer immediately after the service.

Hospitality Meal: Please join us in the Parish Hall for our free, monthly Hospitality Meal — through the doors at the right front exit.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hospitality Meal: Please join us after today's service in the Parish Hall of this month's hospitality meal. Randy Govoni is the head cook. There is no charge for the meal, and all are welcome. If you would like to help with serving or clean up, contact Allegra Smick at allegrasmick@gmail.com.

Continued Church Cleanup: We are trying to find space for current needs, and to that end, we need the owners to claim these items in the next month: a wheelchair, a large blue cooler on black wheels, a plastic bin full of yarns and ribbons, etc., three black plastic bins with yellow tops, a room heater, and an air filterer, a painting of Jesus being taken down from the Cross by two of His followers. If any of these belong to you, please see Mark Hanchett or email him at markhanchett@hotmail.com. After December 1, we will find places for these items.

Gift of Life Tree: Bless New Life in Need (Again) This Christmas. The Gift of Life Tree is an opportunity to embrace new life and motherhood in the spirit of Christmas! We invite you to participate — help women who have chosen life when faced with crisis pregnancies. From Sunday, November 12th through the weeks leading up to Sunday, December 10th, you may select one or more tags from the Gift of Life Tree in the Fellowship Hall. Each tag specifies a special gift for a baby or new mom. Please buy and return *unwrapped* gifts to the church hall no later than December 10th. We will collect and donate them to Your Options Medical, a pregnancy care center in Revere and other locations. The center will then distribute our gifts to women in need. This is a wonderful way to enter into the meaning of Christmas! *For unto us a Child is born . . .*

Women's Brunch: Every third Saturday at CTR there is a Women's Brunch, 9:30-11 am. This is an especially appropriate and informal event for you to include your non-CTR friends. Donated food is welcome, but not necessary. Our speaker on Nov. 18th will be Bonny Loring, sharing some of the amazing incidents when she has been "Surprised by God".

Healing Service: Our monthly healing service will take place on Saturday November 18th at 5pm. Come and join us for a dedicated time of prayer and peace.

CTR Flower Guild: The Flower Guild is a diverse group committed to serving CTR by providing weekly Altar flowers (excluding Lent and Advent), as well as church adornment for Easter and Christmas. We also tend to the seasonal outside flowerpots. We are reaching out to those who may be interested in joining us. Please feel free to call Sally Saplin—978-777-5074—or Sherrie Mason—978-468-4029—for more information.

Films Worth Talking About: presents its next night of hospitality and fine cinema on Saturday, November 18 starting at 6 PM. Our feature will be “On the Beach,” and it addresses how survivors react to their own mortality after a nuclear holocaust (shades of the Covid pandemic). The film can be viewed as a meditation on the inevitability of death, but also the possibility of love in harrowing circumstances. Gregory Peck and Ava Gardner star in this poignant production. Food (supplied) and fellowship at the home of Michael Chiusano, 39 Glidden St., Beverly. RSVP to michael.chiusano@comcast.net.

Light in the World: The photographic exhibit, Made in His Image, featuring photographic portraits by Ken Buck and Michael Chiusano, in the Parish Hall, will hang until December 10. Enjoy the variety of expressions of God’s image, as you contemplate this artwork. These photographs are offered for sale by the artists, and a portion of the sale will go to Christ the Redeemer. If you want to be on the email list for Light in the World Arts ministry, sign the book for the show and include your email address. Pick up a flyer announcing the call for submissions for our next show in February, and share it with family and friends.

Prayer Books: Since we are using Prayer Books more often with our Foundations classes, weekday Communion, and daily offices, we need more Books of Common Prayer. The cost is \$500 for a case of 16. If you would like to contribute any amount towards the purchase of Prayer Books, please indicate “Prayer Books” in the memo line. If you would like to purchase a prayerbook the cost is \$30.

Weekly Sunday Services: Children’s Sunday School at 9am; Adult Sunday School at 9am; Holy Communion at 10am

Weekly Wednesday Services: Children’s Catechesis from 4pm-6pm; Midweek Eucharist at 5pm in the Pendleton Chapel; Confession at 5:30pm in the Retreat Room; Evening Prayer and Adult Catechesis from 6pm in the church.

Upcoming Services: St. Andrew’s Day, Thursday, 11/20, at 5pm in the Pendleton Chapel.

Adult Christian Education

Newcomer’s Classes: Our “Christian Foundations Course” is offered every Sunday morning at 9am in the Pendleton Chapel. The class is geared toward newcomers, but open to everyone and can be joined at any time. It is required before receiving baptism or confirmation, and essentially covers the contents of the Apostles’ Creed, the Our Father, and the Ten Commandments.

Adult Sunday School Classes: Every Sunday at 9am in the Parish Hall we are offering “A Deep Well: The Story of the Church.” This class will be walking through the lives and teachings of some of the great “ecumenical” saints commemorated in the Book of Common Prayer from the Apostles to the 4th century.

Evening Prayer and Catechesis: Every Wednesday at 6pm in the Church we offer Evening Prayer and Adult Catechesis. This semester we are studying the 39 Articles.

Liturgical Notes: The General Confession

After the Prayers of the People, comes the general confession and absolution. This portion of the liturgy, including the “Comfortable Words” that follow it, was the first instance of the use of the English language to be added to the liturgies of the Church of England in 1548, making it older than the prayerbook. At that time, the liturgy was still in Latin. The general confession in English was added to encourage the faithful to receive Holy Communion on a more regular basis. In the early church, sins were confessed publicly in the presence of the whole congregation before absolution was offered. Recognizing this precedent, the prayerbook attempts to move closer to that early ideal by offering public confession and absolution “until said discipline may be restored again.” The function of placing Confession at this point in the liturgy is to help the faithful prepare to be worthy receivers of the Blessed Sacrament, following St. Paul in I Cor. 11:27-28, “Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup.” Christ tells us in Matt. 5:23-24, “if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift.” The Kiss of Peace, which is one of the earliest ritual features of Christian liturgy, tracing back to the time of the Apostles, is the crowning moment of this rite of Confession and Absolution. Far from being a mere opportunity for “greeting,” it is intended to allow each communicant to express that they are reconciled with their neighbor before receiving the Sacrament of Christ’s Body and Blood.

Children at CTR

Children in Level II(6-9 year olds) have been working this Fall on creating their own Sunday bulletin. One of the parents noted that our Sunday bulletin is difficult to follow for those who either do not read yet or are just beginning to read. She thought if there were a bulletin with pictures for each part of the service they would have a much easier time following the service.

We spent time each week in our atrium thinking about each different part of the service what they saw and what we heard or said and then they drew pictures. We would look at all the pictures for each part and they would decide which one they liked the best.

Take some time in the next few weeks to look at the drawings some of them are quite profound.

Beginning this Sunday the children will be able to pick up a bulletin at the back of the church at the beginning of the service and then return it at the end of the service.

Financial Report

For September:

Giving to Operations: \$33,841.55
Operational Monthly Giving Needed: \$59,250.00
Operational Budget Result: (-\$25,408.45)
Operational Expenses: \$47,258.77
Operational Cash Result: (-\$13,437.02)
Giving to Restricted Funds: \$2,915.00
Total Giving: \$36,756.55

YTD

Giving to Operations: \$125,536.95
Operational Monthly Giving Needed: \$177,750.00
Operational Budget Result: (-\$52,213.05)
Operational Expenses: \$127,646.27
Operational Cash Result: (-\$2,129.12)
Giving to Restricted Funds: \$14,355.19
Total Giving: \$139,892.14



Sunday, November 12 – Saturday, November 18

- † With our Archbishop and the rest of the ACNA, we pray for the peaceful end to the wars in Israel, Sudan, and Ukraine and for wisdom of government leaders in dealing with the crisis.
- † With the North Shore Gospel Partnership, we pray for all orphaned, abandoned, and at-risk youth on the North Shore, and ask that God would raise up faithful people to provide safe and loving homes and well-being for them in tangible ways.
- † We pray for strength and protection for all first responders, military, and all medical personnel.
- † We pray for our volunteers and that God would rise more people to assist in the work and ministry of the church.
- † We pray for Mollie Clark and Jeff Banks and the ministry of Inter-Varsity on the North Shore.
- † In the ACNA Cycle of Prayer, today we pray for the Anglican Province of Rwanda and The Most Rev. Laurent Mbanda, Archbishop, and his wife, Chantal.
- † In the ADNE Cycle of Prayer, today we pray All Nations Academy (Blanca Little, *New Haven, CT*), Geoff Little (*Priest, All Nations Church - New Haven, CT*), Dr. Abraham Chan (*Priest, Golden Lampstand Ministries*), Gail Paige-Bowman (*Priest, non-parochial*), Bruce Thayer (*Priest, retired*), Rev. Cn. Peter Gachathi (*Priest, retired*)
- † We also pray for those in our parish family in current physical or spiritual need: Pat Beckwith, Terry Colon, Leanne Duncan, Andy French, Sharon Govoni, Jana Hemmerly-Brown, David Ketcham, Caleb Loring, Harriet MacDougal, Lori Masi, Carolyn O'Brien, Jan Pendleton, Jude Pytlak, Kathy Riquier, Jeff Strain, and Bette Weiscopf.
- † We also pray for those friends and family of our parishioners in physical or spiritual need: Andrew, the Boles family, Legend Curtis, Gail Eaton, Eowyn, Paul Erickson, Katherine Fisher, Joy French, Jim Gish, Mary Guilmette, Gideon Hanes, Charlie Hannigan, Lila, Sue McHugh, Norma, Lenny Ortins, Bonnie Rodriguez, Nancy Smith, Sophia, and the VanScoyoc family.

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Worship Leaders

The Rev. Brian Chase, Rector, Celebrant
The Rev. Samuel Alberty, Assistant Rector, Preacher
The Rev. Dr. Malcolm Reid, Assisting Priest
The Rev. Scott Donis, Deacon
Dan McKinley, Minister of Music/Organist & Choirmaster
The Choir of Christ the Redeemer

The Vestry

Dipen Patel, Senior Warden
Mark Hanchett, Junior Warden
Andy French, Treasurer
Sarah Skinner, Clerk
Leanne Duncan, Member-at-Large
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