CHURCH OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN

Grow in Faith. Live in Hope. Share God's Love.

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The Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost Ingathering Sunday
November 17, 2024 + 10:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist

Preparation for Worship in God's Name

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PRAYER OF MEDITATION

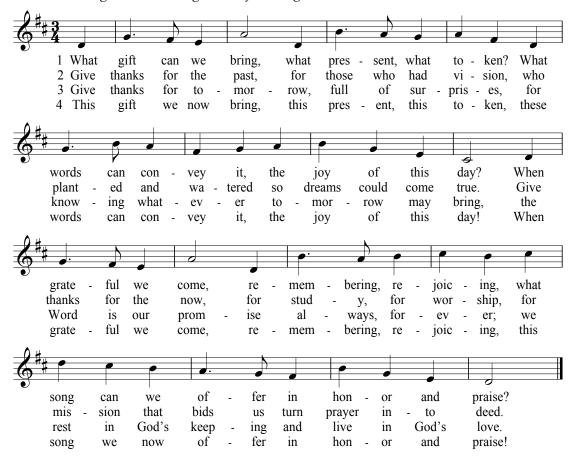
As the people gather before the service begins, we invite you to use the following prayer for meditation.

O Lord our God, you are always more ready to bestow your good gifts upon us than we are to seek them. You are more willing to give than we desire or deserve. Help us so to seek that we may truly find, so to ask that we may joyfully receive, so to knock that the door of your mercy may be opened for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

The Liturgy of the Word

HYMN "What gift can we bring" Everyone sings.



—Words and Music: *Anniversary Song*, Jane Marshall (1924–2019)

ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY Remain standing.

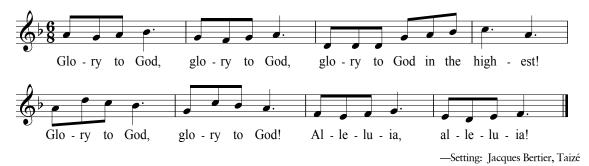
Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

All: 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.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS Remain standing; everyone sings the refrain three times.



COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Remain standing; silence is kept.

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 LESSON Seated.

A reading from the Book of Ruth (3:1–5; 4:13–17).

On the day when Elkanah sacrificed, he would give portions to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and daughters; but to Hannah he gave a double portion, because he loved her, though the LORD had closed her womb. Her rival used to provoke her severely, to irritate her, because the LORD had closed her womb. So it went on year by year; as often as she went up to the house of the LORD, she used to provoke her. Therefore Hannah wept and would not eat. Her husband Elkanah said to her, "Hannah, why do you weep? Why do you not eat? Why is your heart sad? Am I not more to you than ten sons?" After they had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the LORD. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the LORD. She was deeply distressed and prayed to the Lord, and wept bitterly. She made this vow: "O LORD of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant, and remember me, and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head." As she continued praying before the LORD, Eli observed her mouth. Hannah was praying silently; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard; therefore Eli thought she was drunk. So Eli said to her, "How long will you make a drunken spectacle of yourself? Put away your wine." But Hannah answered, "No, my lord, I am a woman deeply troubled; I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the LORD. Do not regard your servant as a worthless woman, for I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation all this time." Then Eli answered, "Go in peace; the God of Israel grant the petition you have made to him." And she said, "Let your servant find favor in your sight." Then the woman went to her quarters, ate and drank with her husband, and her countenance was sad no longer. They rose early in the morning and worshiped before the LORD; then they went back to their house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the Lord remembered her. In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, "I have asked him of the LORD."

Reader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

CANTICLE The Song of Hannah (1 Samuel 2:1–10) Everyone sings.



-Chant: Jerome Webster Meachen (1930-2015)

My heart exults in you, O <u>God</u>; * my triumph song is lifted in <u>you</u>.

My mouth derides my <u>enemies</u>, * for I rejoice in your sal<u>vation</u>.

There is none holy like <u>you</u>, * nor any rock to be compared to you, our <u>God</u>.

Do not heap up prideful words or speak in <u>arrogance</u>; * only God is knowing and weighs all <u>actions</u>.

The weapons of the mighty are <u>broken</u>, * but the weak are clothed in <u>strength</u>.

Those once full now labor for <u>bread</u>; * those who hungered now are <u>well fed</u>.

The childless woman finds her life <u>fruitful</u>, * and the mother of many sits for<u>lorn</u>.

God destroys and brings to life, casts down and raises up; * gives wealth or takes it away, humbles and dignifies.

God raises the poor from the dust; * and lifts the needy from the ash heap to make them sit with rulers * and inherit a place of honor.

For the pillars of the earth are <u>God's</u> * on which the whole earth is <u>founded</u>.

God will guide the path of the <u>faithful</u>, * but the wicked will languish in <u>darkness</u>.

For it is not by human might * that any mortal will prevail.

The foes of our God will be <u>shattered</u>; * the Most High will thunder through the <u>heavens</u>.

‡ The Almighty will judge the earth to its <u>ends</u> * and will give strength to the ruler of God's own <u>choosing</u>.

SECOND LESSON Seated.

A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews (10:11–14, 19–25).

Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

HYMN "Lord Christ, when first thou cam'st to earth" Standing; everyone sings.



-Words: Walter Russell Bowie (1882-1969), alt.

Music: Mit Freuden zart, melody from "Une pastourelle gentille," 1529; adapt. Pseaumes cinquante de David, 1547, and Kirchengeseng darinnen die Heubtartickel des Christlichen Glaubens gefasset, 1566

GOSPEL Remain standing.

Gospeler: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark (13:1–8).

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down." When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs."

Gospeler: The Gospel of the Lord.

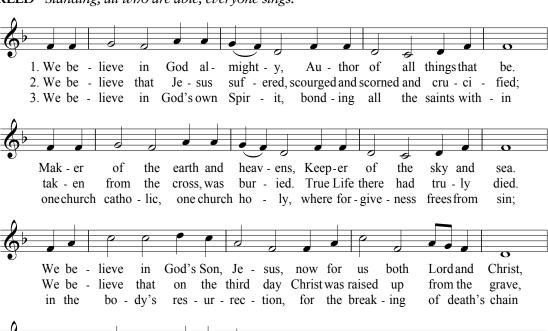
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Children may join Ann Backus for Children's Chapel. They will return at the Peace.

SERMON

A time for silent reflection is observed following the sermon.

CREED Standing, all who are able; everyone sings.



of the Spir - it and of Mar - y born to bring a - bun-dant life. then as cen - ded to God's right_ hand. He will come a - gain to save. gives the life that's ev - er - last - ing. This the faith that we have claimed.

-Words: Sylvia G. Dunstan (1955-1993), alt.

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Music: Beach Spring, melody from The Sacred Harp, 1844

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Remain standing.

Leader: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. Silence.

For all people in their daily life and work;

People: For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Leader: For this community, the nation, and the world;

People: For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Leader: For the just and proper use of your creation;

People: For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Leader: For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People: For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

Leader: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People: For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Leader: For all bishops and other ministers;

People: For all who serve God in his Church.

Leader: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation: for those in the military,

especially those who have been deployed; for the wider community of our families and friends; and for our parishioners who have asked our prayers:

ED Archer MARGE Hudson MARILYN Randall
CHIP Beets ANGELA Lister JANE Reed

JOANNE Calhoun FRANCIS Lloyd NICK Richards
GAIL Cox ANN McClain TOM Schlitt

LOIS & RON Dearolf DALE Oakley DENISE & ROGER Tibedo

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KATHY Gray ALLAN Philp and

THE GREELEY FAMILY THE PLAGEMAN-DAVIS ALICE & FRED Wegmann

THE HARRISON FAMILY FAMILY

The people may add their own petitions.

Leader: Hear us, Lord;

People: For your mercy is great.

Leader: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We give thanks for those who

are celebrating birthdays and anniversaries. We will exalt you, O God our King;

People: And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Leader: We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your

eternal kingdom; and we remember their families and friends who grieve.

Silence.

Leader: Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People: Who put their trust in you.

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

The people may kneel or bow. Silence is kept for a space.

All: Have mercy on 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.

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.

PEACE Standing, all who are able.

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

People: And also with you.

Greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

All that we are and all that we have comes from God. Let us offer our best to God in thanksgiving, remembering that God loves a cheerful giver. (2 Corinthians 9:7)

ANTHEM Sung by the Choir.

How Great is the Goodness of God Almighty

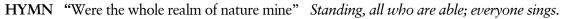
Let all consider what God has given.
All that we have are gifts from God above.
The Lord has not forgotten us.
And we should not forget this love.

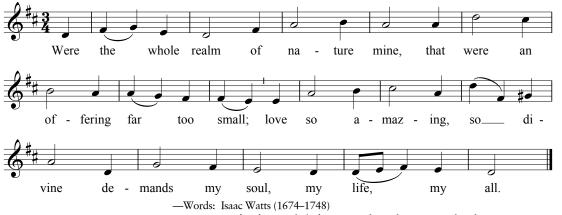
How great is the goodness of God almighty! Is there anyone who has not known such goodness? For all gifts come from God almighty. All praise and honor belong to our Lord.

O grant us comfort in time of trouble; Guide us, O Lord, through joyful days, For we would not forget your goodness; With thankful hearts we sing your praise.

O God, let your goodness and love be boundless; Always remaining before our eyes. O strengthen us with your great power. So we may give back to you our lives.

—Words and Music: Robert J. Greene (b. 1957)





Music: Rockingham, melody from Second Supplement to Psalmody in Miniature, 1780

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING 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 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. For through the great love of your Son Jesus Christ, and through his self-offering, you have sanctified your faithful people and given us confidence to approach your table as your own children. For the love of your Son, who sits at your right hand, and by the gift of your Holy Spirit that fills our hearts, accept our prayers and praises, Father, as we join 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:

Everyone sings:



—Setting: From A Community Mass, Richard Proulx (1937–2010)

Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

> He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith: Celebrant:

> All: Christ has died.

> > Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.

All: AMEN.

Silence is kept as the ministers bow in thanksgiving.

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

All: 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

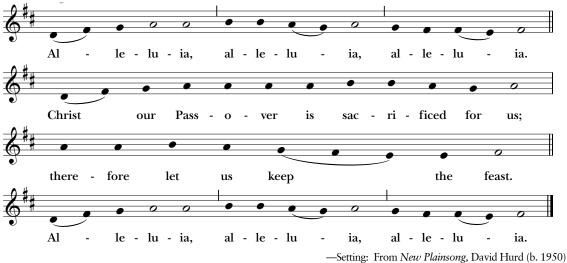
as we forgive those who trespass against us.

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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. Everyone sings:



INVITATION

Celebrant: This is the table not of the righteous, but of the poor in spirit. It is the table of sharing with the poor of the world, with whom our Savior identified. It is the table of communion with the earth, in which our Lord became incarnate. This is the table of Jesus Christ. So come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; you who have been here often, and you who have not been for a while or ever before; you who have tried to follow Jesus, and all of us who have failed. These are the gifts of God for the people of God. It is Christ who invites you to be known and loved and fed here.

DURING COMMUNION

AGNUS DEI Everyone sings.

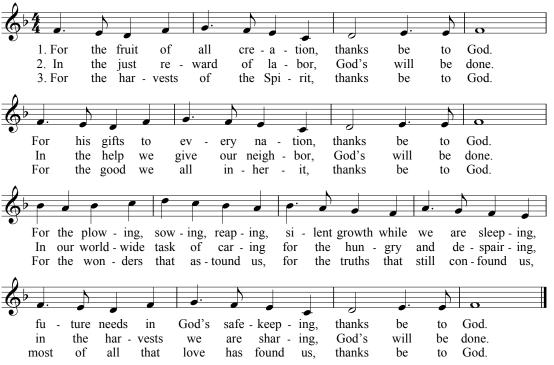


-Setting: Thuma mina, South Afric

HYMN "O Master, let me walk with thee" Everyone sings.

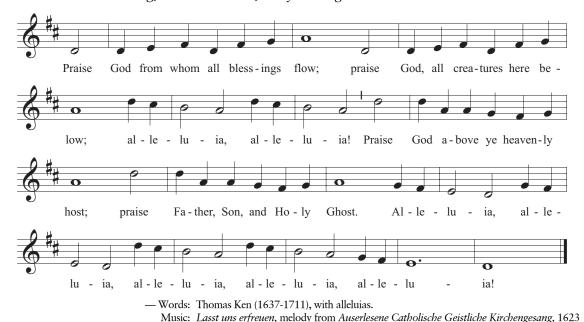


—Words: Washington Gladden (1836–1918) Music: *Maryton*, Henry Percy Smith (1825–1898) HYMN "For the fruit of all creation" Everyone sings.



—Words: Fred Pratt Green (1903–2000), alt. Music: *Ar Hyd y Nos*, Welsh folksong

DOXOLOGY Standing, all who are able; everyone sings.



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND MISSION Remain standing.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: 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.

SENDING OF THE EUCHARISTIC VISITOR Remain standing.

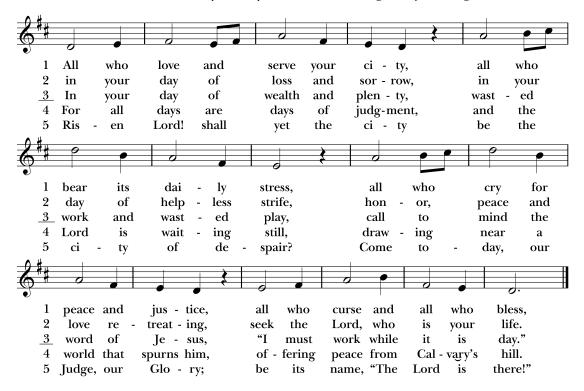
Celebrant: In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that

those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body

and blood. We who are many are one body,

People: Because we all share one bread, one cup.

HYMN "All who love and serve your city" Remain standing; everyone sings.



-Words: Erik Routley (1917-1982), rev.

Music: Charlestown, melody from The Southern Harmony, 1835

DISMISSAL

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

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