CHURCH OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN

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

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> The Last Sunday after Pentecost November 24, 2024 + 10:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist

Preparation for Worship in God's Name

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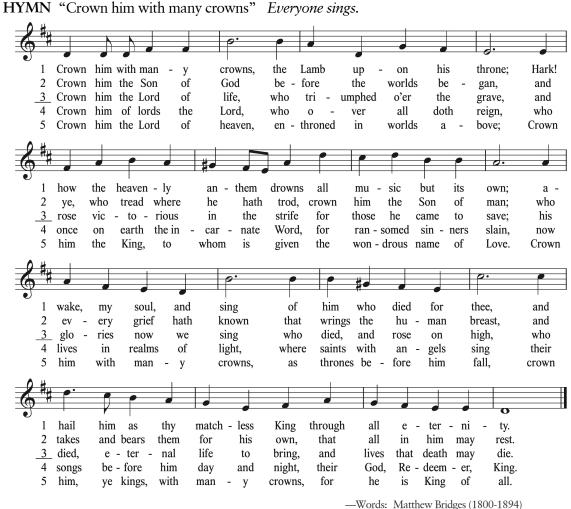
PRAYER OF MEDITATION

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

Great God of mercy and compassion, creator of all that is and our anchor in the storms of life: This day we gather as a community to celebrate your glorious promise of life over death and to praise your holy name. Help us to offer to you all of life—all that has been, all that is, and all that will be. Help us in the midst of the challenges of our world to remember that neither death, nor life, nor angles, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from your love. In this hope we prepare to worship you. Amen.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

The Liturgy of the Word



—Words: Matthew Bridges (1800-1894) Music: Diademata, George Job Elvey (1816–1893)

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. SONG OF PRAISE "Glory to you" Remain standing; everyone sings.



⁻Setting: John Rutter (b. 1945)

COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

Remain standing; silence is kept.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your wellbeloved 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*.

FIRST LESSON Seated.

A reading from the Second Book of Samuel (23:1–7).

Now these are the last words of David: The oracle of David, son of Jesse, the oracle of the man whom God exalted, the anointed of the God of Jacob, the favorite of the Strong One of Israel: The spirit of the LORD speaks through me, his word is upon my tongue. The God of Israel has spoken, the Rock of Israel has said to me: One who rules over people justly, ruling in the fear of God, is like the light of morning, like the sun rising on a cloudless morning, gleaming from the rain on the grassy land. Is not my house like this with God? For he has made with me an everlasting covenant, ordered in all things and secure. Will he not cause to prosper all my help and my desire? But the godless are all like thorns that are thrown away; for they cannot be picked up with the hand; to touch them one uses an iron bar or the shaft of a spear. And they are entirely consumed in fire on the spot.

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Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.
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PSALM 132:1–13 Everyone sings.



-Chant: Jerome Webster Meachen (1930-2015)

- 1 LORD, remember <u>David</u>, * and all the hardships he en<u>dured;</u>
- 2 How he swore an oath to the <u>LORD</u> * and vowed a vow to the Mighty One of <u>Jacob</u>:
- 3 "I will not come under the roof of my <u>house</u>," * nor climb up into my <u>bed;</u>
- 4 I will not allow my eyes to <u>sleep</u>, * nor let my eyelids <u>slumber;</u>
- 5 Until I find a place for the <u>LORD</u>, * a dwelling for the Mighty One of <u>Jacob</u>."
- 6 "The ark! We heard it was in <u>Ephratah</u>; * we found it in the fields of <u>Jearim</u>.
- 7 Let us go to God's <u>dwelling place</u>; * let us fall upon our knees before his <u>footstool</u>."
- 8 Arise, O LORD, into your <u>resting-place</u>, * you and the ark of your <u>strength</u>.
- 9 Let your priests be clothed with <u>righteousness</u>; * let your faithful people sing with joy.
- 10 For your servant <u>David's sake</u>, * do not turn away the face of your A<u>nointed</u>.
- 11 The LORD has sworn an oath to <u>David</u>; * in truth, he will not <u>break it</u>:
- 12 "A son, the fruit of your <u>body</u> * will I set upon your <u>throne</u>.
- ‡ 13 If your children keep my covenant and my testimonies that I shall <u>teach them</u>, * their children will sit upon your throne for ever<u>more</u>."

SECOND LESSON Seated.

A reading from the Revelation to John (1:4b–8).

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

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

HYMN "Heaven shall not wait" Standing; everyone sings.



 —Words: John L. Bell (b. 1949) and Graham Maule (1958–2019)
 Music: *Heaven Shall Not Wait*, John L. Bell ((b. 1949), copyright © WGRG, Iona Community (admin. GIA Publications)

GOSPEL Remain standing.

Gospeler: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (18:33–37). People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

Gospeler: The Gospel of the Lord.

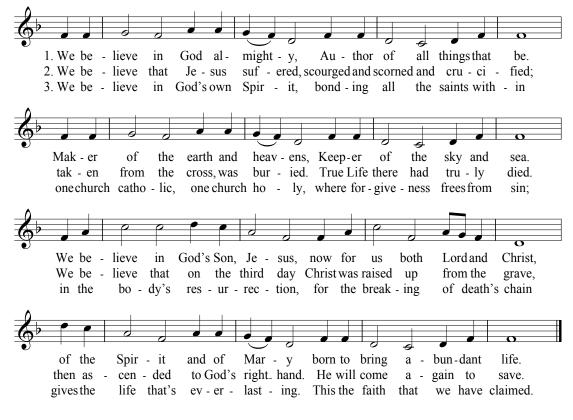
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Children may join Laura Airhart and Katherine Smithwick 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.



—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.
People:	For all people in their daily life and work; 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	ANGELA Lister	NICK Richards
CHIP Beets	FRANCIS Lloyd	TOM Schlitt
JOANNE Calhoun	ANN McClain	DENISE & ROGER Tibedo
GAIL Cox	DALE Oakley	JENIFER van Tol
LOIS & RON Dearolf	PAT Pagni	SAM Venable
DANA & DEWELL Downey	KENT Parish	and
DOUG Embler	BELLE Parman	ALICE & FRED Wegmann
THE GREELEY FAMILY	ALLAN Philp	
MARGE Hudson	JANE Reed	

The people may add their own petitions.

	Hear us, Lord; For your mercy is great.
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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)

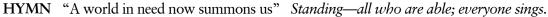
ANTHEM Sung by the Choir.

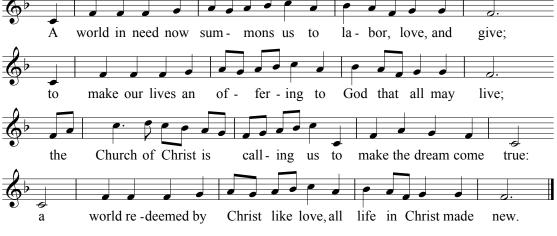
Walk Humbly with Your God

He has shown you what is good; And what does the Lord require of you, But to do justly, and to love mercy, And to walk humbly with your God.

> --Words: Micah 6, adapted Music: Robert J. Powell (b. 1932)







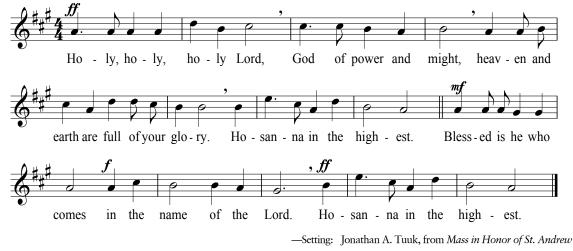
 [—]Words: Frank von Christierson (b. 1900), alt. (Hymn 705, verse 2.)
 Music: Forest Green, English melody; adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)

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 you, O God, are the Alpha and the Omega, the One who was, and is, and is to come. Through your Son Jesus Christ our King, who loved us and freed us from sin, you have brought us near to you and made us to be a kingdom of priests to serve you in glory for ever. Therefore, we join our voices in praise and thanksgiving, and with the angels, and all the company of heaven, we sing this song to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Everyone sings:



The people stand or kneel.

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."

Celebrant: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

- All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
- Celebrant: 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.

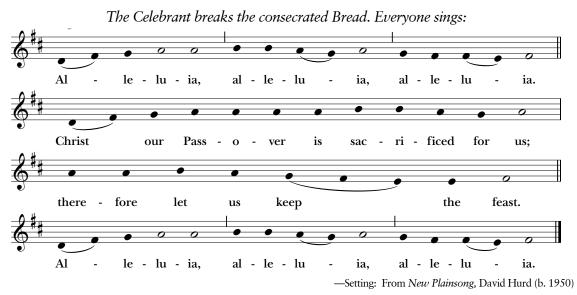
All: AMEN.

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



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



HYMN "I cannot tell how he whom angels worship" Everyone sings.

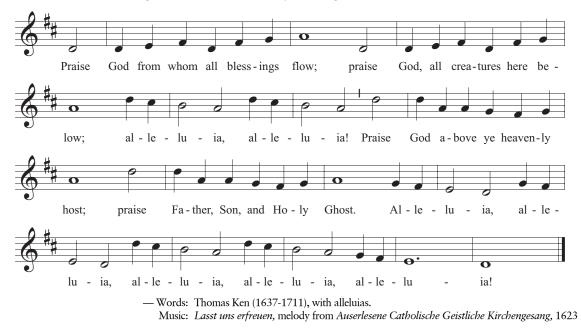
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But this Ι know, that he was born of Ma ry,_ But this Ι know, heals the bro - ken heart he ed, But this I flesh shall his know, all see glo ry,_ But this Ι skies will thrill with know, the rap ture,_ Ó when Beth - lehem's was his on - ly home,_ man ger lurk - ing sin, and calms our and stays our fear._ shall the he har - vest he has and reap sown,__ and riad, riad hu - man voi - ces my my _ sing,__ 0 lived Naz - a - reth la bored. and that he at and heav - y lifts the bur den from the la and den,__ and some glad his sun shall shine day in splen dor_ and earth to heaven, and heaven to earth, will an swer:__ é 7 7 and so the Sav - ior, Sav - ior of the world is come._ for yet the Sav - ior, Sav - ior of the world is here._ when Sav - ior world he the Sav - ior, of the is known._ Sav - ior, "At last the Sav - ior of the world is King!"_

Hymn "I cannot tell," continued

Words: William Y. Fullerton, 1929
 Music: Londonderry, traditional Irish melody

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.

6 0 Love, the 1 God is heavens tell - ing; God is Love, let are 2 God is Love; and Love folds us, all the world in en -3 God is Love: with mer bound-less God sus tains all cy -0 earth re - joice; all tion sing ing, prais - ing, cre а one em - brace: with fail ing God holds us, un grasp life. God's lov kind - ness hu man e _ ter nal _ ing _ _ alt with one voice. God earth's and ing who laid foun ex -the ev ery child of ev ery race. And when hu - man hearts are guides us through our earth - ly strife. Sin and death and hell shall who breathes through da - tion; God who spread a - bove; God the heavens break-ing un - der sor row's i _ ron rod. then we find that nev - er o'er fi nal tri umph gain; God is Love, us _ SO 0. 0 all - a - tion: God is Love. nal Love. cre e ter self same with - in of God. ach - ing deep the heart -Love for ev - er o'er the ni - verse reign. u must _ --Words: Timothy Rees (1874-1939), alt. Music: Abbot's Leigh, Cyril Vincent Taylor (1907–1991)

HYMN "God is Love, the heavens are telling"

DISMISSAL

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

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