



HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

Season after Pentecost

8:00 AM & 10:15 AM

October 11 through November 22, 2026



Voluntary

Entrance Hymn

above

Please stand or sit as best helps you sing.

10/11

H 408 Sing praise to God who reigns

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H 372 Praise to the living God

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H 436 Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates

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H 616 Hail to the Lord's Anointed

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People **Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.**

Collect for Purity

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.

Hymn of Praise

8:00am

Gloria in Excelsis

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.

10:15am

Glory, love, and praise, and honor

H 300

The Liturgy of the Word

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us Pray.

10/11 Proper 23

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

10/18 Proper 24

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

10/25 Proper 25

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

11/8 Proper 27

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.**

11/15 Proper 28

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.**

11/22 Proper 29, Christ in Majesty

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 Lessons: First Lesson, Response, Second Lesson, & Gospel

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Sequence Hymn

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H 693 Just as I am, without one plea

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H 538 God of mercy, God of grace

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H 393 Praise our great and gracious Lord

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H 478 Jesus, our mighty Lord

The Gospel

These are also found at the back of your bulletin.

The Sermon

The Creed

Please stand, sit, or kneel as best helps you pray.

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 human. 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.

The Prayers of the People

Celebrant May we not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let our requests be made known to God, saying, "Lord, hear our prayer."

Intercessor For the Body of Christ, the mind, body, and soul of God in the world today, that we may with grateful hearts follow the commandments of God as we love and serve one another. We pray especially for *[Anglican and Diocesan cycle of prayer]*. We pray:

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor For our nation and all the nations of the world, and for every place where power is held outside the hand of God, that those in authority may lead out of a spirit of abundance and gratitude, with a heart to love and care for all of God's creation, we pray:

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor For the welfare of the whole world, that a spirit of thankfulness will call us into compassion, so that we may be burdened for the care of the world, not out of a spirit of negativity, but out of a spirit of boundless love for everything you have called good.

Invite the congregation to offer their thanksgiving silently or aloud.

We pray:

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor For the concerns that feel closest to us, the challenges that sit at our doorsteps, the aching that walks past us each day, that you may bring our awareness to how we can offer hope amidst hopelessness, through gratitude for the faithfulness of God, we pray:

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor For those who are grieved in body and spirit, and for those who suffer from injustice, that in the pain of their lives they may be comforted by the presence of God, the witness in Scripture of God's justice taking reign, and the ways God has been made known to us as the great healer of humankind. We pray especially for *[parish prayer list]*.

Invite the congregation to offer their supplications silently or aloud.

We pray:

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor For those who have died and all those we love and see no longer, that you may give consolation to the brokenhearted, compassion as a presence in grief, and profound gratitude for those who now behold you fully. *[We especially for (parish list) and those who mourn them.]*

Invite the congregation to offer their prayers for the deceased.

We pray:

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Holy and Undivided Trinity, in your goodness, you have called us to be one as you are one. Therefore, we offer you together our Trinity prayer for mission.

People **Loving God, we give you thanks that you have called Trinity Church to be a caring and diverse, Christ-centered community, empowered to worship, serve, and grow in faith. Guide us and strengthen us to be ever more welcoming and inclusive, and to encourage all people to love God and one another. Amen.**

The Confession & Absolution

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All **God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. 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.

People **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements and Blessings

Those who are celebrating birthdays or anniversaries and those who are preparing to travel are invited forward to receive a blessing.

Birthdays: O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant/s as *they* begin another year. Grant that *they* may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen *their* trust in your goodness all the days of *their* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Anniversaries: O God, who has given us the sacrament of marriage that we may know you through the intimacy of married love; send your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and kindness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Travelers: O God, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: Preserve those who travel especially *these your children*; surround *them* with your loving care; protect *them* from every danger; and bring *them* in safety to *their* journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

Celebrant *Walk in Love as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.*

Ephesians 5:2



The Offertory is when we make a sacred gift to God as part of our worship. You can give by putting cash or checks in the offering plate as it comes by or make an electronic offering by texting Trinitytowson to 73256 or using the QR code provided.

If you give electronically, please participate in the liturgy by placing one of the e-giving cards found in your pew into the plate. Even if you can't make a financial contribution, you can acknowledge your offering of time and talent to Trinity by using one of the "I give my heart to God" cards found in the Narthex (lobby) of the Church.

Offertory Hymn or Anthem

Please stand or sit as best helps you sing.

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H 321 My God, thy table now is spread

See Insert

H 574 Before thy throne, O God, we kneel

H 620 Jerusalem, my happy home

See Insert

H 450 All hail the power of Jesus' Name, vv 1, 2, & 3

Doxology

Please stand or sit as best helps you sing and pray.

8:00am

All All things come of thee, O Lord; And of thine own have we given thee. Amen.

10:15am

All sing.

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures here below.
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving

The People remain standing as able.

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 God of all power, Source and Sustainer of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant At your command all things came to be: shining light and enfolding dark; the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.
People **By your will they were created and have their being.**

Celebrant From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the stewards of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.
People **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Celebrant Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your eternal Word, born of your servant Mary, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.
People **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

Celebrant And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

8:00am
All say.

**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.**

10:15am
All sing

Sanctus

Sing a New Creation 218

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
 2 Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

You may remain standing or sitting, or you may kneel.

Celebrant On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People **We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Celebrant Therefore, O God, we who have been redeemed by Jesus Christ, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Savior. Sanctify us also, and let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Celebrant God of our ancestors; Redeemer and Mother of Israel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world around us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

People **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

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, forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant raises the bread, breaks it, and following a period of silence

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us!

People Therefore let us keep the feast! Alleluia!

8:00am

All Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world. Have mercy on us.
Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world. Have mercy on us.
Lamb of God you take away the sins of the world. Grant us your peace.

10:15am

Agnus Dei

Lehman

All sing

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy

on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the

world: have mer - - cy on us. Lamb of God, - you

take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God. This is the Table not of the Church but of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love God and those who want to love God more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little; you who have been here often and you who have not been here long; you who have tried to follow and you who have fallen short. Come, for it is Jesus who invites you. It is his will that those who wish to meet him should find him here.

*In the Episcopal Church we distribute both the Bread and Wine of the Holy Communion, but receiving the Bread only is a full and valid communion. Please ask for a gluten-free wafer if you need one. Our normative practice is to drink from the deeper common cup, but you may also dip your wafer in one of the shallow chalices. If you would prefer not to receive communion, we invite to come forward your arms across your chest to receive a blessing. The sacrament of Baptism is the ancient and normative entry point for receiving the sacrament of Holy Eucharist, **but here at Trinity no one who comes forward to receive communion is ever turned away.***

Distribution

The Bread and the Cup are given to communicants with these words.

The Body of Christ, the Bread of Heaven. **Amen.**

The Blood of Christ, the Cup of Salvation. **Amen.**

Communion Hymn

Please stand or sit as best helps you sing.

10/11

H 339 Deck thyself, my soul

10/18

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10/25

H 602 Kneels at the feet of his friends

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H 324 Let all mortal flesh keep silence

11/15

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11/22

H 382 King of glory, King of peace

Communion Hymn

As needed

Let us break bread together on our knees

H 325

Post-Communion Prayer

You may stand.

Celebrant Let us pray.

People **God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

The Blessing

Celebrant May God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love, defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace. And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always.

People **Amen.**

Closing Hymn

Please stand or sit as best helps you sing.

10/11

H 566 Rejoice, ye pure in heart

10/18

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10/25

H 507 Take my life, and let it be

11/8

H 690 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

11/15

See Insert

11/22

H 460 Alleluia! sing to Jesus

The Dismissal

Celebrant Alleluia, Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Voluntary

Please join us for fellowship in Memorial Hall across the driveway after the service.

Readings for the Season



10/11 Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 23

First Reading: Exodus 32:1-14

A Reading from the book of Exodus.

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, "Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." Aaron said to them, "Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. He took the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a festival to the Lord." They rose early the next day, and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel.

The Lord said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" The Lord said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may

consume them; and of you I will make a great nation."

But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, "O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'" And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

Response: Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23

Alleluia! Give thanks, for the Holy One is good; God's mercy endures for ever.

**Who can declare the mighty acts of God
or show forth rightful praise?**

Happy are they who act with justice
and always do what is right!

**Remember me, O God, with the favor you
have for your people,
and visit me with your saving help,**

That I may see the prosperity of your elect
and be glad with the gladness of your
people; that I may glory with your
inheritance.

**We have sinned as our forebears did;
we have done wrong and dealt wickedly.**

Israel made a bull-calf at Horeb
and worshiped a molten image;

**And so they exchanged their Glory
for the image of an ox that feeds on grass.**

They forgot you, their Savior,
who had done great things in Egypt,

**Wonderful deeds in the land of Ham,
and fearful things at the Red Sea.**

So you would have destroyed them,
had not Moses your chosen stood before
you in the breach, to turn away your wrath
from consuming them.

Second Reading: Philippians 4:1-9

A Reading from Paul's letter to the church at Philippi

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

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Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

H 693 Just as I am, without one plea, vv 1-2

The Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.



**10/18 Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost,
Proper 24**

First Reading: Exodus 33:12-23

A Reading from the book of Exodus.

Moses said to the Lord, "See, you have said to me, 'Bring up this people'; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.' Now if I have found favor in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people." He said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." And he said to him, "If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth."

The Lord said to Moses, "I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name." Moses said, "Show me your glory, I pray." And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, 'The Lord'; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But," he said, "you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live." And the Lord continued, "See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

Response: Psalm 99

God reigns; let the people tremble;
God is enthroned upon the cherubim;

let the earth shake.

**God is great in Zion
and is high above all peoples.**

Let them confess God's Name,
which is great and awesome;
God is the Holy One.

**"O mighty Ruler, lover of justice, you have
established equity;
you have executed justice and
righteousness in Jacob."**

We proclaim your greatness, O God,
and fall down before your footstool;
you are the Holy One.

**Moses and Aaron among your priests,
and Samuel among those who call upon
your Name, they called upon you, and you
answered them.**

You spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud;
they kept your testimonies and the decree
that you gave them.

**"O Holy God, you answered them indeed;
you were a God who forgave them,
yet punished them for their evil deeds."**

Proclaim the greatness of our God, and
worship on God's holy hill,
for our God is the Holy One.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

A Reading from Paul's first letter to the church
at Thessalonika

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of
the Thessalonians in God the Father and the
Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace.

We always give thanks to God for all of you
and mention you in our prayers, constantly
remembering before our God and Father your
work of faith and labor of love and
steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.
For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by
God, that he has chosen you, because our
message of the gospel came to you not in word
only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit

and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead-- Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

See Insert

The Gospel: Matthew 22:15-22

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they

heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.



**10/25 Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost,
Proper 25**

First Reading: Deuteronomy 34:1-12

A Reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the Lord showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, the Negeb, and the Plain—that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees—as far as Zoar. The Lord said to him, "This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, 'I will give it to your descendants'; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there." Then Moses, the servant of the Lord, died there in the land of Moab, at the Lord's command. He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigor had not abated. The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended.

Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the Lord had commanded Moses.

Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face. He was unequalled for all the signs and wonders that the Lord sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, and for all the

mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Thanks be to God.

Response: Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17

O God, you have been our refuge
from one generation to another.

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

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

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

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

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

Return, O God; how long will you tarry?
Be gracious to your servants.

**Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the
morning; so shall we rejoice and be glad
all the days of our life.**

Make us glad by the measure of the days that
you afflicted us and the years in which we
suffered adversity.

**Show your servants your works
and your splendor to their children.**

May the graciousness of our God be upon us;
prosper the work of our hands;
prosper our handiwork.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

A Reading from Paul's first letter to the church
at Thessalonika.

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters,
that our coming to you was not in vain, but
though we had already suffered and been
shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know,

we had courage in our God to declare to you
the gospel of God in spite of great opposition.
For our appeal does not spring from deceit or
impure motives or trickery, but just as we have
been approved by God to be entrusted with
the message of the gospel, even so we speak,
not to please mortals, but to please God who
tests our hearts.

As you know and as God is our witness, we
never came with words of flattery or with a
pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from
mortals, whether from you or from others,
though we might have made demands as
apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among
you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own
children. So deeply do we care for you that we
are determined to share with you not only the
gospel of God but also our own selves,
because you have become very dear to us.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

H 538 God of mercy, God of Grace

The Gospel: Matthew 22:34-46

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had
silenced the Sadducees, they gathered
together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him
a question to test him. "Teacher, which
commandment in the law is the greatest?" He
said to him, "'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."

Now while the Pharisees were gathered
together, Jesus asked them this question:
"What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son
is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He

said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

'The Lord said to my Lord,

"Sit at my right hand,

until I put your enemies under your feet"?"

If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?"

No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.



11/8 Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 27

First Reading: Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25

A Reading from the book of Joshua.

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, "Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors — Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor — lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. Then I took your father Abraham from beyond the River and led him through all the land of Canaan and made his offspring many.

"Now therefore revere the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord."

Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other

gods; for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the Lord drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God."

But Joshua said to the people, "You cannot serve the Lord, for he is a holy God. He is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions or your sins. If you forsake the Lord and serve foreign gods, then he will turn and do you harm, and consume you, after having done you good." And the people said to Joshua, "No, we will serve the Lord!" Then Joshua said to the people, "You are witnesses against yourselves that you have chosen the Lord, to serve him." And they said, "We are witnesses." He said, "Then put away the foreign gods that are among you, and incline your hearts to the Lord, the God of Israel." The people said to Joshua, "The Lord our God we will serve, and him we will obey." So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and made statutes and ordinances for them at Shechem.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Thanks be to God.

Response: Psalm 78:1-7

Hear my teaching, O my people;
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

**I will open my mouth in a parable;
I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.**

That which we have heard and known,
and what our forebears have told us,
we will not hide from their children.

**We will recount to generations to come
your praiseworthy deeds and your power,**

O God, and the wonderful works you have done.

You gave your decrees to Jacob
and established a law for Israel,
which you commanded them to teach their
children;

**That the generations to come might know,
and the children yet unborn, that they in
their turn might tell it to their children;**

So that they might put their trust in you
and not forget your deeds, but keep your
commandments.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

A Reading from Paul's first letter to the church
in Thessalonika.

We do not want you to be uninformed,
brothers and sisters, about those who have
died, so 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
died. For this we declare to you by the word of
the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left
until the coming of the Lord, will by no means
precede those who have died. For the Lord
himself, with a cry of command, with the
archangel's call and with the sound of God's
trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the
dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are
alive, who are left, will be caught up in the
clouds together with them to meet the Lord in
the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever.
Therefore encourage one another with these
words.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

H 393 Praise our great and gracious Lord

The Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Then the kingdom of heaven will
be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps
and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of
them were foolish, and five were wise. 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,
all of them became drowsy and slept. But at
midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the
bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all
those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their
lamps.

The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of
your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the
wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for
you and for us; you had better go to the dealers
and buy some for yourselves.' And while they
went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and
those who were ready went with him into the
wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later
the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord,
lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell
you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore,
for you know neither the day nor the hour."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.



11/15 Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost, Proper 28

First Reading: Judges 4:1-7

A Reading from the book of the Judges.

The Israelites again did what was evil in the
sight of the Lord, after Ehud died. So the Lord
sold them into the hand of King Jabin of
Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the
commander of his army was Sisera, who lived
in Harosheth-ha-goiim. Then the Israelites
cried out to the Lord for help; for he had nine
hundred chariots of iron, and had oppressed
the Israelites cruelly twenty years.

At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites came up to her for judgment. She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali, and said to him, "The Lord, the God of Israel, commands you, 'Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops; and I will give him into your hand.'"

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Thanks be to God.

Response: Psalm 123

To you I lift up my eyes,
to you enthroned in the heavens.

**As the eyes of servants look to the hand of
their masters, and the eyes of a maid to
the hand of her mistress,**

So our eyes look to the Holy One our God,
until God shows us mercy.

**Have mercy upon us, O God, have mercy,
for we have had more than enough of
contempt,**

Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich,
and of the derision of the proud.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

A Reading from Paul's first letter to the church in Thessalonika.

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.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

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The Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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.'"

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.



11/22 Christ in Majesty

First Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

A Reading from the prophet Ezekiel.

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."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

Response: Psalm 100

May all lands be joyful before you, O God,
serve you with gladness and come before
your presence with a song.

**For we know that you are God;
you yourself have made us, and we are
yours; we are your people and the sheep of
your pasture.**

We shall enter your gates with thanksgiving,
go into your courts with praise, give thanks to
you and call upon your Name.

**For you are good; your mercy is everlasting,
and your faithfulness endures from age to
age.**

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:15-23

A Reading from the letter to the church in
Ephesus.

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.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

H 478 Jesus, our mighty Lord

The Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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 Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

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