

The Last Sunday after Pentecost: Christ the King November 23, 2025

Welcome to St. Catherine's

We are glad that you have joined us for worship. If you are visiting with us, we invite you to fill out a visitor card, which can be found on the back of the chair in front of you. Completed cards may be given to a greeter or placed in the collection plate.

"BCP" before a page number refers to the Book of Common Prayer in the pew racks. "H" before a page number refers to the blue hymnal. Both are in the pew.

You are very welcome to receive Holy Communion if you have been baptized in any Christian Church. Those who wish not to receive Holy Communion may come to the altar rail, fold their arms across their chests, and receive a blessing from the priest.

Serving Today

The Rev. Dillon Green, Celebrant and Preacher Carol Dotson, Vestry Person of the Day

Scott Reimer, LEM/Crucifer
James Johnson & Gracie
Dominguez, Torchbearers
Brent McLarty, Lector
Laura Chambless, Intercessor

Carol Dotson & Sasha Johns,

Counters

Cathy Cawthon, Altar Guild

Jim Cawthon, Technology

Sasha Johns, Greeter

Prelude

Entrance Hymn 477

All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine

THE WORD OF GOD

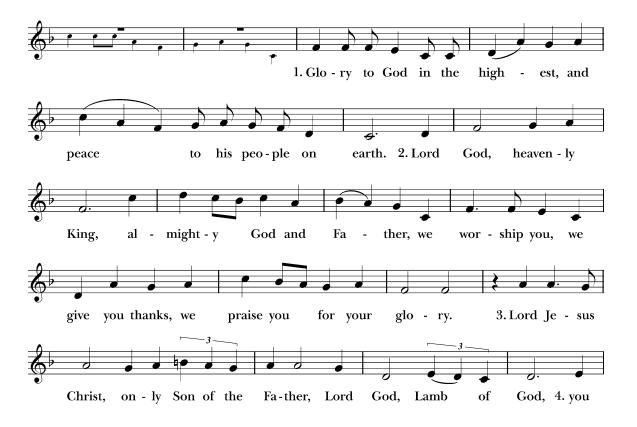
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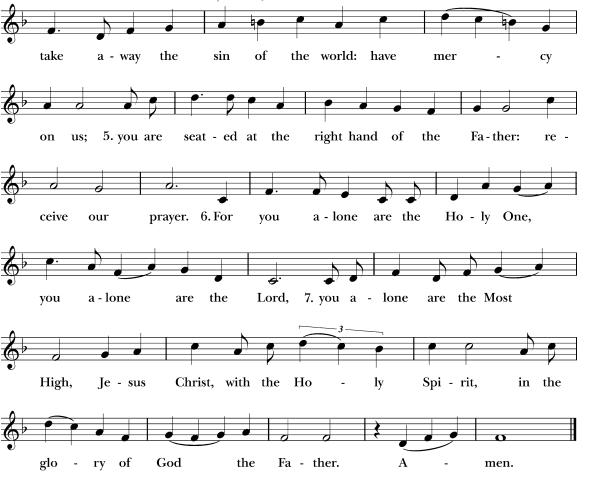
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The Collect for Purity

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The Gloria





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The Collect of the Day

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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 Reading Jeremiah 23:1-6

Reader A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah.

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

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

Psalm 46

The Psalm will be read responsively by half verse.

- 1 God is our refuge and strength, * a very present help in trouble.
- 2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, * and though the mountains be toppled into the depths of the sea;

- 3 Though its waters rage and foam, * and though the mountains tremble at its tumult.
- 4 The LORD of hosts is with us; *

the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

- 5 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, * the holy habitation of the Most High.
- 6 God is in the midst of her; she shall not be overthrown; * God shall help her at the break of day.
- 7 The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are shaken; * God has spoken, and the earth shall melt away.
- 8 The LORD of hosts is with us; * the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
- 9 Come now and look upon the works of the LORD, * what awesome things he has done on earth.
- 10 It is he who makes war to cease in all the world; * he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.
- 11 "Be still, then, and know that I am God; *
 I will be exalted among the nations;
 I will be exalted in the earth."
- 12 The LORD of hosts is with us; * the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Second Reading

Colossians 1:11-20

Reader A Reading from the Letter to the Colossians.

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of

darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers-- all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

All stand as are able.

Cantor sings Alleluias, then all repeat; Cantor sings verse; All repeat Alleluias.



Cantor: Open our hearts, O Lord, to listen to the words of your son.

The Gospel Luke 23:33-43

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. The people stood by, watching

Jesus on the cross; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Dillon Green

A period of silence follows the sermon.

The Nicene Creed, please stand as able.

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The Prayers of the People, Form III

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Concluding Collect

The Confession and Absolution

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The Peace

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The Announcements

Offertory Hymn 382

King of glory, King of peace

As the offerings are brought to the altar, standing as you are able, the following is sung

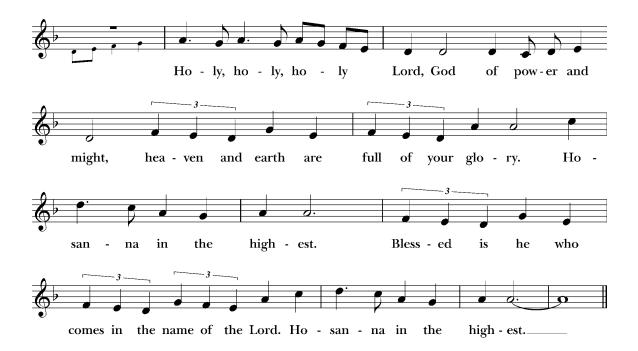
Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

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Sanctus



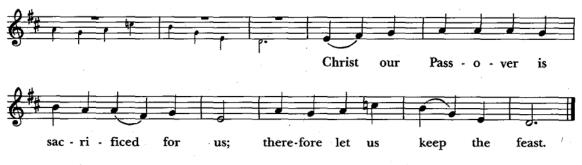
The Lord's Prayer

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The Breaking of the Bread

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The Fraction Anthem



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Communion Hymn 458

My song is love unknown

Post-Communion Prayer

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The Blessing

Post-Communion Hymn 494

Crown him with many crowns

Dismissal BCP 366

Postlude

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NOTES

We pray for our Companion Diocese of Honduras and their bishop, Lloyd. We pray for the Brotherhood of St. Andrew; for Christ Church, Fairfield; Christ Church, Tuscaloosa; and Christ Church, Albertville; for St. Andrew's, Birmingham; St. Andrew's, Montevallo; St. Andrew's, Sylacauga; and St. Andrew's, Tuskegee.

We pray for those on our parish prayer list: Clydene, Steven, Heather, Wendy, Angel, Marti, Joseph, Tracy, John, Sue, Addie, Wanda, Bill, Alice, Claire, Amy, Sasha, Elizabeth, Brian Cruz and his family, Sharon, Elizabeth, Vicki, Madison, Tom, Roger, Will, Addi, and Bethany Shae.

We pray those who serve in the military, especially John Morris.

SAVE THE DATES

Vestry Meeting today!

Evening Prayer every Wednesday at 6:00 pm

No ECW Lunch this month!

November 27th—Turkey Trot!
Please consider volunteering.

Stewardship Season!

Please pick up a pledge card beside the door and return it to the office, to Father Dillon, or place it in the offering plate as it goes by during the service.

Our Mission

To seek, love, and serve God through worship, education, and service and to share the redeeming love of Christ with the world.

Our Vision

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