



CHRIST CHURCH
VERO BEACH

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

November 23, 2025 | 10:30AM

Last Sunday after Pentecost

Christ the King

Please observe a prayerful silence before the service.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

The liturgy provided here is from the ACNA *Book of Common Prayer* 2019.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus is Our King

*Refrain: Alleluia! Alleluia! Opening our hearts to Him,
Singing Alleluia! Alleluia! Jesus is our King!*

Create in us, O God, a humble heart that sets us free
to proclaim the wondrous majesty of our Father in heaven. *(Refrain)*

We bear the name of Christ, justified we meet with Him.
His words and presence calm our fear, revealing God, our Father here.
(Refrain)

Let kindred voices join, honoring the Lamb of God
who teaches us by bread and wine the mystery of His Body. *(Refrain)*

Pour out your Spirit, on us. Empowering us to live as one,
to carry Your redeeming love to a world enslaved by sin. *(Refrain)*

words: Howard Page-Clark & Sherrell Prebble
music: *Post Green*, Sherrell Prebble

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PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Lift Up Your Heads Ye Mighty Gates

1. Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates;
behold the King of glory waits!
The King of kings is drawing near;
the Savior of the world is here.
2. O blest the land, the city blest,
where Christ the ruler is confessed!
O happy hearts and happy homes
to whom this King of triumph comes!
3. Fling wide the portals of your heart;
make it a temple, set apart
from earthly use for heaven's employ,
adorned with prayer and love and joy.
4. Redeemer, come! I open wide
my heart to thee: here, Lord, abide!
Let me thy inner presence feel:
thy grace and love in me reveal.
5. So come, my Sovereign; enter in!
Let new and nobler life begin;
thy Holy Spirit guide us on,
until the glorious crown be won.

words: Georg Weissel (1590-1635); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)
music: *Truro*, melody from *Psalmody Evangelica*, Part II, 1789; harm. Lowell Mason (1792-2872), alt.

THE ACCLAMATION

*The **People** standing:*

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

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

THE COLLECT OF PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Jesus said: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets. (Matthew 22:37-40)

THE KYRIE

CELEBRANT Lord, have mercy upon us.

PEOPLE **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

CELEBRANT Lord, have mercy upon us.

SONG OF PRAISE

Gloria

Glory to God, 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. Amen.

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

CELEBRANT The Lord be with you.
PEOPLE **And with your spirit.**
CELEBRANT Let us pray.

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

A Reading from **Jeremiah 23:1-6**

Pew Bible pg. 650

¹ “Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture!” declares the Lord. ² Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who care for my people: “You have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for your evil deeds, declares the Lord. ³ Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴ I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing, declares the Lord.

⁵ “Behold, the days are coming, declares 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. ⁶ In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: ‘The Lord is our righteousness.’ (ESV)

READER The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE **Thanks be to God.**

A responsive reading of **Psalm 46**

BCP pg. 327-328

¹ 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 hills be carried into the midst of the sea;

³ Though its waters rage and swell, *
and though the mountains shake at its tempest.

⁴ There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, *
 the holy dwelling place of the Most High.

⁵ God is in the midst of her; therefore she shall not be moved. *

God shall help her at the break of day.

⁶ The nations are in an uproar, and the kingdoms are moved, *
but God has lifted his voice, and the earth shall melt away.

⁷ The Lord of hosts is with us; *

the God of Jacob is our refuge.

⁸ O come and behold the works of the Lord, *
what devastations he has brought upon the earth.

⁹ He makes wars to cease in all the world; *
**he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns
the chariots in the fire.**

¹⁰ "Be still then and know that I am God; *
**I will be exalted among the nations, and I will be exalted
in the earth."**

¹¹ The Lord of hosts is with us; *
the God of Jacob is our refuge.

A Reading from **Colossians 1:11-20**

Pew Bible pg. 983

¹¹ being strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy; ¹² giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. ¹³ He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. ¹⁶ For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities — all things were created through him and for him. ¹⁷ And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross. (ESV)

READER The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN

He is Exalted

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high; I will praise Him.
He is exalted, forever exalted, and I will praise His Name!
He is the Lord, forever his truth shall reign;
heaven and earth rejoice in His holy Name.
He is exalted, the King is exalted on high.

THE GOSPEL

DEACON The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
PEOPLE **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Luke 23:35-43

Pew Bible pg. 884

³⁵ And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!" ³⁶ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine ³⁷ and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸ There was also an inscription over him,[c] "This is the King of the Jews."

³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him,[d] saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰ But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?" ⁴¹ And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴² And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ⁴³ And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise." (ESV)

DEACON The Gospel of the Lord.
PEOPLE **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sequence Hymn continues

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high; I will praise Him.
He is exalted, forever exalted, and I will praise His Name!
He is the Lord, forever his truth shall reign;
heaven and earth rejoice in His holy Name.
He is exalted, the King is exalted on high.

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SERMON

CANON KEITH ALLEN

NICENE CREED

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

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying “**hear our prayer**” following each petition read aloud.*

LITANIST Lord, in your mercy,
PEOPLE **hear our prayer.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Celebrant pronounces the Absolution over the People

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

THE PEACE

CELEBRANT The peace of the Lord be always with you.

PEOPLE **And with your spirit.**

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

OFFERTORY

Here I am to Worship

Tim Hughes

Doxology (*Old Hundredth*)

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.

CELEBRANT All things come from you, O Lord,
PEOPLE **And of your own have we given you.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

CELEBRANT The Lord be with you.
PEOPLE **And with your spirit.**
CELEBRANT Lift up your hearts.
PEOPLE **We lift them up to the Lord.**
CELEBRANT Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
PEOPLE **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant continues

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is your living Word from before time and for all ages; by him you created all things, and by him you make all things new.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People sing

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of power and might, (repeat)
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. (repeat)
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest (repeat).

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

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

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

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, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

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. **Amen.**

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

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 FRACTION

CELEBRANT Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

PEOPLE Therefore let us keep the feast.

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
grant us your peace.

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

COMMUNION MUSIC

1. He Will Come and Save You

Say to those who are fearful hearted, "Do not be afraid"; The Lord, Your God, is strong with His mighty arms. When you call on His Name; He will come and save.

Refrain: He will come and save you; (repeat)
Say to the weary one, "Your God will surely come,"
He will come and save you.
He will come and save you. (repeat)
Lift up your eyes to Him, you will arise again,
He will come and save you.

Say to those who are broken hearted, "Do not lose your faith"; The Lord, Your God, is strong with his loving arms. When you call on His Name; He will come and save.

He is our refuge in the day of trouble,
He is our shelter in the time of storm;
He is our tower in the day of sorrow,
our fortress in the time of war. (*Refrain*)

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2. King of Kings

In the darkness, we were waiting without hope, without light.
'Til from heaven You came running, there was mercy in Your eyes.
To fulfill the law and prophets to a virgin came the Word.
From a throne of endless glory, to a cradle in the dirt.

*Refrain: Praise the Father, praise the Son,
praise the Spirit, three in one.
God of Glory, Majesty.
Praise forever to the King of kings.*

To reveal the kingdom coming and to reconcile the lost,
to redeem the whole creation, You did not despise the cross.
For even in Your suffering, You saw to the other side.
Knowing this was our salvation, Jesus, for our sake You died. (*Refrain*)

And the morning that You rose, all of heaven held its breath
'til that stone was moved for good, for the Lamb had conquered death.
And the dead rose from their tombs and the angels stood in awe,
for the souls of all who'd come to the Father are restored.

And the Church of Christ was born, then the Spirit lit the flame.
Now this Gospel truth of old shall not kneel, shall not faint.
By His Blood and in His Name in His freedom I am free,
for the love of Jesus Christ who has resurrected me. (*Refrain*)

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THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

CELEBRANT

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal Kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

BLESSING

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN

Great is Thy Faithfulness

1. Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not;
As Thou has been Thou forever wilt be.

*Refrain: Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided.
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

2. Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. (*Refrain*)
3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! (*Refrain*)

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DISMISSAL

DEACON	Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.
PEOPLE	Thanks be to God.

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