



TWENTY-FORTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday, November 12, 2023



The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God
by the Hogue Family in memory of Mary Mills Everett and in thanksgiving for Gretchen's birthday

As you enter the nave—our worship space—we ask that you remember this room is holy: Set apart for prayer and praise. Please enter this space with reverence and keep silence, so that you may quiet your mind and be prepared for worship.

H82 is the shorter hymnal which says "The Hymnal 1982" on the front and spine.
ELW is the slightly taller hymnal which says "Worship" on the spine.

PRELUDE

— *All stand as the bell is tolled.*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

H82 #423

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

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

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

All **Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.**

in front section of H82 #S 280

**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.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

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.

All **Amen**

— *All are seated.*

FIRST READING: Amos 5:18-24

Thus says the Lord, the God of hosts, the Lord:
Alas for you who desire the day of the Lord!

Why do you want the day of the Lord?

I t is darkness, not light;

as if someone fled from a lion,

and was met by a bear;

or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall,

and was bitten by a snake.

Is not the day of the Lord darkness, not light,

and gloom with no brightness in it?

I hate, I despise your festivals,

and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.

Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings,

I will not accept them;

and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals

I will not look upon.

Take away from me the noise of your songs;

I will not listen to the melody of your harps.

But let justice roll down like waters,

and righteousness like an everflowing stream.

Reader The Word of the Lord

All Thanks be God

Psalm 70

To be said by all in unison

1 Be pleased, O God, to deliver me; *

O Lord, make haste to help me.

2 Let those who seek my life be ashamed

and altogether dismayed; *

let those who take pleasure in my misfortune

draw back and be disgraced.

3 Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me turn back, *

because they are ashamed.

4 Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; *

let those who love your salvation say for ever,

"Great is the Lord!"

5 But as for me, I am poor and needy; *

come to me speedily, O God.

6 You are my helper and my deliverer; *

O Lord, do not tarry.

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

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.

Reader The Word of the Lord
All Thanks be God

— *All stand.*

GRADUAL HYMN

“Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers”

H82 #68

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew
All **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

GOSPEL: Matthew 25:1-13

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.”

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

— *All are seated at the invitation of the preacher.*

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Jim Bullion

— *A moment of silence and reflection is observed. All stand with the Presider.*

NICENE CREED

All **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 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 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. With the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified. He 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.

— *All stand or kneel.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor Let us turn our hearts to God, our breath and life, as we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

After each petition

Intercessor Hear us, O God,
All **Your Mercy is Great.**

The Presider adds a concluding Collect. All respond ‘Amen’.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
Silence is kept for reflection.

All **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.**

Presider 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.

All **Amen**

— *All stand.*

PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

The congregation is invited to greet one another with the peace of Christ.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY

Alms basins will be passed during the Offertory. If you don't carry cash or a check, you can give online at our website, or by texting "give" to 229.384.0050. Thank you for your generosity!

— *All stand.*

OFFERTORY CANTICLE *"Praise God from Whom All Blessing Flow"* *Old Hundreth*
All **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING – PREFACE

Presider The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

All **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, ...for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

GREAT THANKSGIVING – SANCTUS *in front section of H82 #S 125*

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heav'n and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

— *All stand or kneel.*

GREAT THANKSGIVING – EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B *BCP pg. 368*

Presider We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness...Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

All **We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;**

Presider And we offer our sacrifice of praise...all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

All **AMEN**

LORD'S PRAYER

Presider 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, forever and ever. Amen**

FRACTION ANTHEM *"My Flesh Is Food Indeed"* *in front section of H82 #S 169*

Cantor My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed, says the Lord.

All **My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed, says the Lord.**

Cantor Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood dwell in me, and I in them.

All **My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed, says the Lord.**

INVITATION

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

— *All are seated.*

HOLY COMMUNION

At the direction of the ushers, you are invited to come forward to receive Holy Communion from the center aisle. Please place your hands open in front of you to receive the bread. If you wish to receive wine from the common cup (chalice) please move to the chalice administrator on your right. If you wish to receive wine by having the bread dipped and placed on your tongue (intinction), please leave the wafer in the palm of your hand and move to the chalice administrator standing off to your left. You may either stand or kneel at the Altar rail for the Chalice.

COMMUNION HYMN I *"Blessed Assurance"* **ELW #639**
COMMUNION HYMN II *"Deck Thyself, My Soul, with Gladness"* **H82 #339**

— *All stand at the direction of the Presider.*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Presider 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**

BLESSING

The Presider proclaims God's blessing. All respond 'Amen'.

RECESSIONAL HYMN: *"Soon and Very Soon"* **H82 #439**

DISMISSAL

Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Please join us for the Stewardship Luncheon in the Parish Hall next door following the worship service.

PARISH SCHEDULE

Nov. 12	24 Pent. Holy Eucharist	10:00 AM
	Leadership Luncheon	11:00 AM
	Vestry Meeting	12:00 PM
Nov. 13	ECW Meeting	12:00 PM
Nov. 19	25 Pent. Holy Eucharist	10:00 AM
	Worship Committee Meeting	11:00 AM
Nov. 20	Men's Steak Night	6:00 PM
Nov. 26	Christ the King Holy Eucharist	10:00 AM
Nov. 27	St. Clare's Kitchen	10:00 AM
Nov. 30	Advent Wreath Making	5:30 PM

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANKSGIVING OUTREACH | WE WILL BE FILLING BOXES FOR LIBERTY HOUSE FAMILIES. Sign up to bring a frozen turkey (sign-up sheet in Parish Hall) or bring canned vegetables, cranberry sauce, stuffing mix, canned sweet potatoes, fresh fruit, rolls, cake, pie, or cookies for dessert. Help is needed to pack boxes on Sunday, November 19th. They will be delivered on Nov. 20th. Average family size: 1 adult, 3 children.

THANKSGIVING DINNER AT THE CHURCH | Bring your family, favorite side dishes and desserts! Ann and Bill Young will be hosting Thanksgiving Dinner for anyone who would like to join them at 3:00 PM on Thanksgiving Day. The Young's will furnish the turkey.

GREENERY FOR CHRISTMAS | We need donations of Christmas Greenery for making decorations, Advent Wreaths, etc. all during the Advent season. Please leave your donations outside the kitchen door beginning Sunday, Nov. 26th.

ADVENT WREATH MAKING and FAMILY DINNER | Mark your calendars now for Thursday, Nov. 30th from 5:30 – 7:30. More information to come.

PARENTS NIGHT OUT | Friday, Dec. 1, 5:30 PM Save the Date! Details to come!

PARISH PHOTOS - Tony Moreschi, our Parish Photographer, are taking pictures for our Church Directory. Please sign up for a photo session with Tony. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the parish hall.

ST. PATRICK'S CHOIR | Would you like a place in the Choir? Choir practice is at 6pm on Wednesdays and 9:15 am Sunday mornings, and all are welcome. Come and sing with us – we have a seat for you!

NURSERY | Our Nursery is available during the Sunday morning service on the first (1st) and third (3rd) Sundays of each month.

FLOWER GUILD | Do you like to arrange flowers, or would you like to learn how? Become a part of the Flower Guild! No experience necessary! If interested, talk with Celie Hogue or Trish Moreschi.

BACK FORTY | The Men of the Back Forty are looking for volunteers to help with the ground maintenance. If you are able, please contact Joe Wingard.

GIRL SCOUTS | Troop 40276 meets on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month from 12 noon until 2pm in the Parish Hall.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH | Every Sunday at 10a during the first half of our worship service children are invited to Sunday School in the Children's Classroom of the Parish Hall building. Here they will learn and do activities related to the lessons for that Sunday, and then they will return to worship with us beginning at the Offertory!

NOVEMBER CELEBRATIONS

BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARY:

2nd – Riley Driggers **4th** – Ellie Driggers **6th** – Thomas Clements **16th** – Mallory Driggers **28th** – Bryce Northrop

BIRTHDAY:

2nd – Jennifer Combs **3rd** – Mary Gillespie **4th** – Jerra McDonald, Lindsey Stewart **13th** – Gretchen Hogue, Barbara Strickland **19th** – Jim Durham **23rd** – Mallory Driggers **24th** – Lisa Schexnayder **25th** – Tom Voth **28th** – Sharyn Davis, Donna Timmons **30th** – Dale Schexnayder

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:

5th – Alan & Jean White **6th** – Jim & Melody Sheffield **7th** – James & Amanda Clements **18th** – Tom & Mary Shapard **28th** – Joe & Sandy Wingard.

KEEP IN PRAYER

Family of Arden Bramlett, Michael, Michael, Le Anna Walton, Malcolm, Crystal Webb, Martha Holloway, Ray M., Bonnie Hough, Donna Timmons, Frank Acosta, Jan Ranew, Dante Walker, Doris Alley, Cheryl Girtman, Susan Cochran, Lana Blackwell, Bill Nordstrom, Hugh Waters, Christopher Bevington, Sue Jerina, Julie Bravo, Missy Simmons, Myra Hundley, Jeff Williamson, Michael Brunson, Stephen J., Butch Tiell, Elsbeth Hebert, the Wingo Family, Vivian Fleming, M. Johnson, David Hogue, Shavonya Wade, Steve Williams, Gary Shafer, Sue Young, Ann Young, Jackie Powell, Steve & Nancy Jackson, Michael Price, Steve Tanner, Jessica Thompson, Micki Hundley Addleman, Donna Prescott, Savannah Esway, Jay Howard & Family, Jim Howard, Al Seely-Wilson, and Evie Tsisis.

SERVING IN WORSHIP

COFFEE HOUR:

ALTAR GUILD

OFFERTORY BEARERS:

GREETERS:

USHERS:

A/V TEAM:

READERS:

ACOLYTES:

CHALICE ADMINISTRATOR:

VERGER:

TODAY

Stewardship Luncheon

Jane Braun, Adia and Donna

Sakura-Lemessy

Orva and Tom Voth

Orva and Tom Voth

Marian White Rose Dunlap

Lucas Wingard

Orva and Tom Voth

Daniella Okafor

Sam Stringer

Lamon Brand

NEXT SUNDAY

Please sign up in the Parish Hall

Jane Braun, Adia and Donna

Sakura-Lemessy

Teresa and Patton Jones

Joyce Bridges-Judkins

Jim Kempf, Steve Kender

Lucas Wingard

Tracey Stringer

Daniella Okafor

Sam Stringer, Carolyn Brunson

Lamon Brand

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