CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL
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TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
A CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

November 15, 2026
8:45 a.m.

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HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

VOLUNTARY — Samuel Wesley (1766-1837)

Two pieces
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The Word of God

References to the BCP are to the red Book of Common Prayer in your pew rack.
References to the Hymnal are to the blue book in your pew rack.
Families may find materials for children behind the right lectern and near the font to the left of the pulpit.

HYMN — *St. Petersburg*

Before thy throne, O God, we kneel — #574 *The Hymnal 1982*

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant 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**.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS S 280 — Robert Powell

S page numbers are found in the front of the Hymnal.

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.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

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.**

Please be seated.

THE FIRST LESSON – Judges 4:1-7

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 prophet, 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, 'Position yourself at Mount Tabor, taking 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.'"

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

PSALM 123

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

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

3 So our eyes look to the Lord our God, *
until he show us his mercy.

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

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

THE SECOND LESSON – 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

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, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of

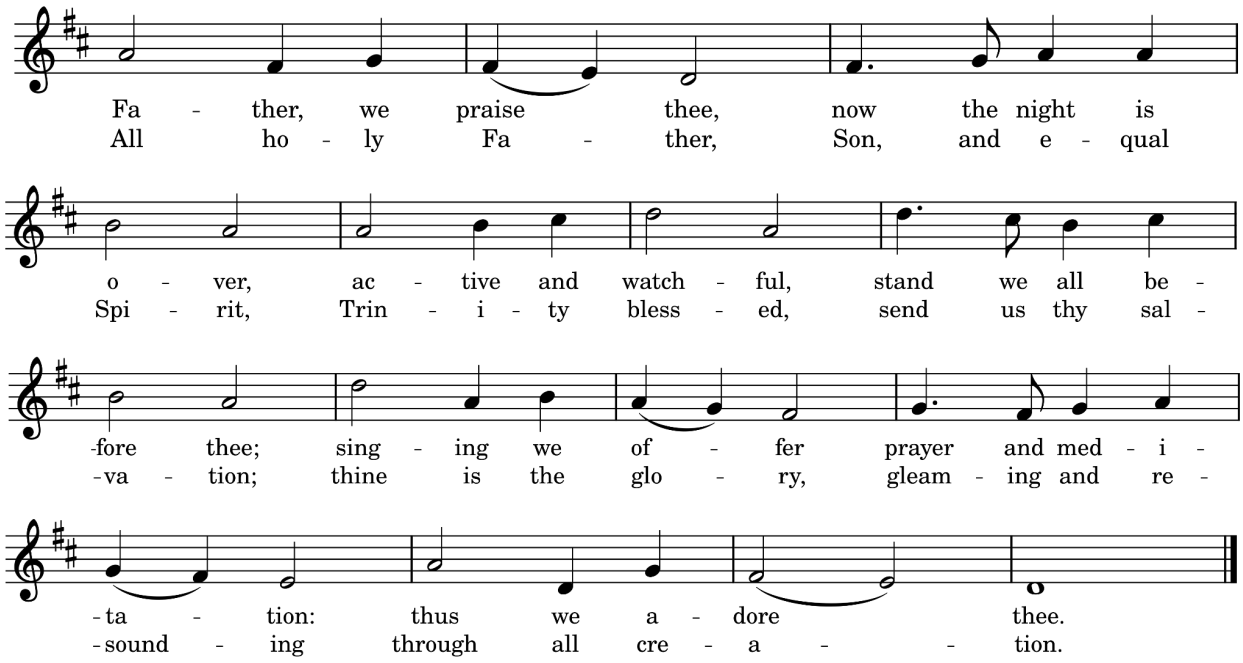
the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So, then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober, for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober and put on the breastplate of faith and love 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.

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

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL PROCESSION

*During the Gospel Acclamation, children from **age 3 through grade 4** are invited to join the procession to **Children's Chapel** when the children's cross comes down the center aisle to the front of the chancel steps. They will process to the Wheeler Room for their own worship and will return to the nave at the Peace. Parents are welcome to accompany children who may need a little support the first few times. Middle school helpers are asked to sign up ahead of time.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Standing as you are able* *Christe sanctorum*



THE GOSPEL LESSON – Matthew 25:14-30

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

"For 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. At once the one who had received the five talents went off 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, 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.'"

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ**.

THE SERMON – The Very Reverend Serena Sides
A moment of silence and reflection follows the sermon.

THE NICENE CREED
Please stand.

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, he 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
The Leader and People pray responsively.

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Sean, our Presiding Bishop; John, our Bishop of Tennessee; Colin, our Bishop-Elect of Tennessee; and all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially...
The People may add their own petitions
Hear us, Lord; **for your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.
The People may add their own thanksgivings
We will exalt you, O God our King; **and praise your Name for ever and ever.**

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.
The People may add their own petitions
Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them; **who put their trust in you.**

The Celebrant closes with a prayer.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister and People, kneeling or standing,

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 ABSOLUTION

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen**.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you**.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

FAITH STORY & 2027 PLEDGE CAMPAIGN

The Holy Communion

THE OFFERTORY

You may leave your offering in the plates as they are passed or scan the QR code with your phone to give online.

ANTHEM — Thomas Campian (1567-1620)

Never weather-beaten sail

Never weather-beaten sail more willing bent to shore,
never tired pilgrim's limbs affected slumber more,
than my wearied sprite now longs to fly out of my troubled breast.
O come quickly, sweetest Lord, and take my soul to rest.

Ever blooming are the joys of heaven's high paradise,
cold age deafs not there our ears, nor vapour dims our eyes;
Glory there the sun outshines, whose beams the blessed only see;
O come quickly, glorious Lord, and raise my sprite to thee.

Thomas Campian

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING ***(Eucharistic Prayer B, with congregational responses)***
Please turn to ***page 367*** *in your Book of Common Prayer to follow along. Please stand.*

Proper Preface *(BCP, p. 377-8)*

Sanctus S 129 *S page numbers are found in the front of the Hymnal.* Robert Powell

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.

The Lord's Prayer *(BCP, p. 364)*

The Breaking of the Bread

Christ our Passover S 154 *S page numbers are found in the front of the Hymnal.* David Hurd

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Invitation *(BCP, p. 364)*

Please be seated.

THE SACRAMENT IS DISTRIBUTED

All baptized Christians (including children) are invited to take the Bread and the Wine. ***Please fill the communion railing from the center to the outside.*** *You may kneel or stand.*

If you wish to receive the Sacrament by intinction please leave the Bread in your hand. The chalice bearer will dip the Bread in the Wine and return it to your hand. You may also receive a blessing from one of the priests instead of the Bread and Wine. Let us know if you need a low-gluten wafer when you are at the communion railing.

If you wish to receive Healing Prayer, please proceed to the Chapel after receiving Communion.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Please join in the singing of the Communion hymns.

HYMN — *Morning Song*
Not here for high and holy things — #9 *The Hymnal 1982*

HYMN — *Malabar*
Strengthen for service, Lord — #312 *The Hymnal 1982*

SENDING FORTH OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS (*as scheduled, please stand*)

We share the consecrated bread and wine from our worship today with those who are unable to attend in person.

Celebrant In the name of this congregation I send you forth bearing these Holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the Communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

People **We who are many are One Body, because we share one bread, one cup. Amen**.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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.

THE BLESSING

HYMN *St. Anne*

O God, our help in ages past #680 *The Hymnal 1982*

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God**.

VOLUNTARY Johann Pachelbel

Ricercar in C (1653-1706)

Prayers

We pray for our parishioners, especially Bob, John, Jim, Suzanne, Jan, Joy, Susan, Audrey, Betty, Charlene, Erin, Peggy, Kathy, Jere, Lucas, Kathy, Maley, Rees, Stacey, Amelia, Caroline, John, Mimi, Ashby, Roger, Esther, Richard, Jerry, Betsy, Peggy, Bobby, Melinda, and Taylor.

We pray for the families and friends of parishioners, especially Rob, Hunter, Sudhir, Phoebe, Bernie, Cathy, Susan, Charlie, Avery, Alyssa, Michael, Jo, Patsy, Pnina, Derek, Charles, Joan, Ginny, Jennifer, Kenneth, Douglas, Betty, Craig, Josh, and Staci.

Please recycle this leaflet in the wooden bins located at each of the four exits from the nave.

Celebrant
The Reverend Canon Anna Russell Friedman, *Canon and Associate Rector for Family Ministries*

Preacher
The Very Reverend Serena Sides, *Dean and Rector*

Assisting Clergy
The Reverend Canon Madeleine Rebouché, *Canon and Associate Rector for Outreach and Formation*

Deacon
The Reverend Deacon Mary McCarthy, *Pastoral Care Coordinator*

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Jennifer Murray, Becca Ingle, Laura Lee Dobie

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Debbie Webster

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