

The Twenty-third Sunday After Pentecost
November 17 , 2019

10:30 A.M. Holy Eucharist, Rite II

The Opening Voluntary

Eucharista

G. Winston Cassler

Processional Hymn

“Morning Song”

Hymn 9

1 Not here for high and holy things
we render thanks to thee,
but for the common things of earth,
the purple pageantry
of dawning and of dying days,
the splendor of the sea,

4 Awake, awake to love and work!
The lark is in the sky,
the fields are wet with diamond dew,
the worlds awake to cry
their blessings on the Lord of life,
as he goes meekly by.

2 the royal robes of autumn moors
the golden gates of spring,
the velvet of soft summer nights,
the silver glistening
of all the million million stars,
the silent song they sing,

5 Come, let thy voice be one with theirs,
shout with their shout of praise;
see how the giant sun soars up,
great lord of years and days!
So let the love of Jesus come
and set thy soul ablaze,

3 of faith and hope and love undimmed,
undying still through death,
the resurrection of the world,
what time there comes the breath
of dawn that rustles through the trees,
and that clear voice that saith:

6 to give and give, and give again,
what God hath given thee;
to spend thyself nor count the cost;
to serve right gloriously
the God who gave all worlds that are,
and all that are to be.

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

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

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

Hymnal S 280

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.

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.**

Isaiah 65:17-25

For I am about to create new heavens
and a new earth;

the former things shall not be remembered
or come to mind.

But be glad and rejoice forever
in what I am creating;

for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight.

I will rejoice in Jerusalem,
and delight in my people;

no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it,
or the cry of distress.

No more shall there be in it
an infant that lives but a few days,
or an old person who does not live out a lifetime;

for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth,
and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them;
they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

They shall not build and another inhabit;
they shall not plant and another eat;

for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,
and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

They shall not labor in vain,
or bear children for calamity;

for they shall be offspring blessed by the LORD--
and their descendants as well.

Before they call I will answer,
while they are yet speaking I will hear.

The wolf and the lamb shall feed together,
the lion shall eat straw like the ox;
but the serpent-- its food shall be dust!

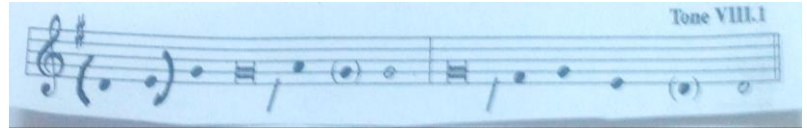
They shall not hurt or destroy
on all my holy mountain, says the LORD.

Celebrant: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Canticle 9

The First Song of Isaiah *Ecce Deus*
Isaiah 12:2-6



Surely, it is God who saves me; *
I will trust in him and not be afraid.

Congregation
Response

**Surely, it is God who/ saves me; *
I will trust in him and /not be afraid.**

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, *
and he will be my Savior.

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing *
from the springs of salvation.

And on that day you shall say, *
Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;

Congregation
Response

**Surely, it is God who/ saves me; *
I will trust in him and /not be afraid.**

Make his deeds known among the peoples; *
see that they remember that his Name is exalted.

Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, *
and this is known in all the world.

Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, *
for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Congregation
Response

**Surely, it is God who/ saves me; *
I will trust in him and /not be afraid.**

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

Celebrant: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

"Ratisbon"

Hymn 7

1. Christ, whose glory fills the skies,
Christ the true, and only Light,
Sun of Righteousness, arise!
Triumph o'er the shades of night:
Day-spring from on high, be near;
Day-star, in my heart appear.
2. Dark and cheerless is the morn
unaccompanied by thee;
joyless is the day's return,

- till thy mercy's beams I see,
till they inward light impart,
glad my eyes, and warm my heart.
3. Visit then this soul of mine!
Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!
Fill me, radiancy divine;
scatter all my unbelief;
more and more thyself display,
shining to the perfect day.

Luke 21:5-19

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Luke

People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them.

"When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

"But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord

People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ*

The Sermon

Rev. Nicholas Hull

The Nicene Creed

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

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest, especially Ronnie Lee Wagoner;
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Confession of Sin and Absolution

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.**

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, Announcements

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Offertory Anthem

One to Every Man and Nation

Thomas John Williams

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.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

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 him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn, to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus (Celebrant and People)

Hymnal S 125

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven 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.

The people stand or kneel.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you:

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 for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Memorial Acclamation (Celebrant and People)

Hymnal S 132

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. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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 say, As our Savior Christ has taught us,
we now pray,

The Lord's Prayer (People and Celebrant)

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.

Breaking of Bread

Fraction Anthem:

Hymnal S 154

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

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.

Communion Chant:

The Lord is my shepherd

Psalm 23

Communion Music: From the Taize Community

Jacques Berthier

Laudate Dominum omnes gentes Alleluia. (Repeat)
Translation: Praise the Lord, all you peoples.

The Post Communion Prayer

BCP 365

Let us pray

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.

Recessional Hymn:

"Daniel L. Schutte"

WLP Hymn 812

1 I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in deepest sin
My hand will save.
I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Here I am Lord, Is it I Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

2 I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send?

Dismissal

My friends, life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us, so be swift to love and make haste to be kind and go forth in the name of Christ.

The Closing Voluntary

Toccata in G

Johann Pachelbel

*We give thanks for the beauty of the Altar Flowers
Given to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of
Charles M. Hart, Jr.
By Lucy Hart Davis*

*We give thanks for the beauty of the Back Altar Flowers
The Bountiful Harvest is Given to the Glory of God and in Thanksgiving
For our Many Blessings*

Monthly Prayer List: Hannah "Lou" Shelton, Julia Hall, George R. Lewis, Scott Derks, Marie, George Scouras, Pam Robertson, John McAdams, Hilda Olson, Billy and Marcy Smith, Missy Lannom, Lauren Prince, Mike Schull, Sarah Jarrett, Jane Spilman, Lin Merritt, Larry Farrar, David Stovall, Pete Budde, Raul West, Linda Jamison, Crystal Austin, Rusty Boleman, Cecilia Fedinetz, Darlene Van Dyke, Sharon Smith, Ulla, Garland Pearson, Tammy, Ginger Caffey, Jesse Earles, Erika Pendland, J. Ronald Ferrill, Kathy Striplin, Ron, Kathy Varn, Campbell and Lewis Pitzer, Kerielea Byrd, Pat Flathmann, Drewry Penn, Jr., Frances Hogg, Mark, Ramona Shelton, Bob Weatherall, Katherine and Linda Isley.

We remember in our prayers our companion church of All Saints Keighley and its Priest, Jonathan Pritchard and our Bishop, The Rt. Rev. Mark Bourlakas. The students and staff of Stuart Hall, their Headmaster, Michael Robinson and their chaplain, The Rev. Connor Gwin. The Diocese of Haiti and their Bishop, The Rt. Rev. Jean Zache Duracin. The Diocese of Leeds and their Bishop, The Rt. Rev. Nick Baines.

November 17 is Pledge Ingathering Sunday

Please bring your pledge cards to church and place them in the collection plate, your thoughtful gift will be most appreciated.



UTO Fall Ingathering – Sunday, November 17th. We have much to admire and learn from the spiritual giants who came before us, the holy women and men who have died in faith and risen in glory. Give thanks for all the saints who model the kind of life you strive to live in Jesus Christ, saints kind and cantankerous. Place that thanks in your UTO Blue Box.

Pick up your boxes or envelopes in the Narthex today to help save for this worthwhile cause.

JOINT Episcopal 101 and Confirmation Class Sunday, November 17th at 2:00 pm in the Parish House. The class will be discussing Prayer and well as a general conclusion to your studies for confirmation..

NO Youth Group Meeting OR Evening Worship Service at CEC.

Youth and everyone planning to attend the evening worship service, please join us for the Pre-Thanksgiving Day Service at St. Paul's Episcopal Church on Sunday November 17th at 4:00 pm.

This is a great opportunity for us to support our fellow Episcopalians down the road, and a chance to hear some of the great preaching that happens throughout our community.



Happy Birthday this week to: 11/18 Adrienne Joyce; 11/23 Rebecca Moore, Sophia Odachowski

Grace Network Sunday - Our Grace Network Assignments for November - December 2019: Jelly (28-32 oz.). For the month of November: Bath Soap, Toilet Paper, Toothpaste. They are also in need of grocery bags for their food pantry. Use the Food Lion card for your shopping or give the card to Sue Rosser to shop for Grace Network. "Grace is counting on us to help keep their food pantry balanced. Thank you for supporting this outreach ministry."

Three-In-One Impact Drive



Bible Verses



Prayers



Toiletries

Through November 24th, the Mission Committee and Youth Group will be holding a collection for travel size toiletry items that will be distributed during Loaves and Fishes. To contribute, please bring the following items for collection in the Narthex or drop them by the Church office:

- Dental floss or picks
- Deodorant
- Safety razors (disposable)
- Body wash (4 oz bottles or less)
- Shaving cream
- Travel size packs of tissues
- Alcohol-free mouthwash (4 oz bottles or less)
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste (4 oz bottles or less)

Thank you for helping with this outreach ministry!



IT STARTS WITH A GIFT
and leads to restored lives

Prison Angel Tree – The Angels for the 2019 Prison Angel Tree will be on the tree in the Narthex on Sunday November 24th. Please sign your name beside the number of the angels(s) that you are selecting. The party is scheduled for Sunday, December 15th from 2:00-4:00 pm in the Parish House. **Volunteers and food items will be needed before and after the party. Please sign-up online under the Volunteer link.** We also need monetary donations for the party.

Please remember the one gift you buy can be no more than \$30.

Also several of the children come from 2 or more sibling households. Please do not buy more than the one gift listed on the tag, to help ensure fairness to all.

(PAT) Gifts – The gifts for the Angel tree are due in the Narthex **Sunday, December 8th** or in the Church Office by **Monday, December 9th** at 5:00 PM. As always, if you want to help but are short on time, our youth would love to go shopping for you and/or wrap your presents.

Please make your checks payable to CEC with "PAT" in the Memo line.

Please contact Frankie Smith at 276-252-9877 or Frankie@thespafm.com
OR Tara Williams 850-284-6118 or tara.williams08@gmail.com with any questions.

Children & Youth Group Meeting – Sunday, November 24th. The youth group will meet in the Parish House at 3:30 pm each Sunday with the children's group joining them on the last Sunday of each month.

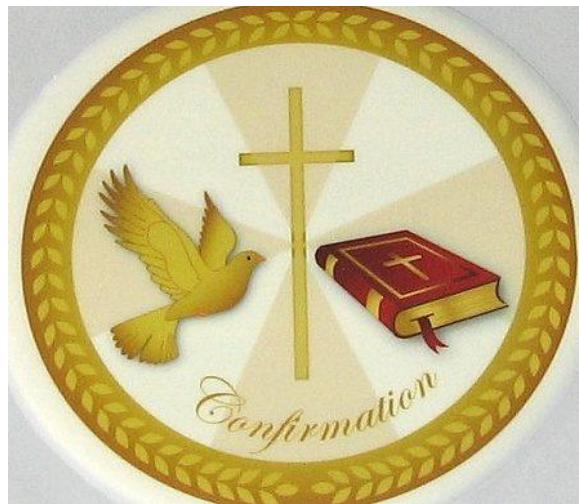
Evening Worship Service – Sunday, November 24th at 5:00 pm in the Gathering Place, weather permitting. If inclement weather, the service will be held in the Church.

Knitter's Club Meeting – Monday, November 25th at 10:30 am in the Parish House. Knitters of all levels are welcomed and encouraged to join the group as they create prayer shawls to be blessed and given to those in need.

Blue Ridge Nursing Home Service – Tuesday, November 26th at 10:30 am. On a specified Tuesday of every month we go to the behavioral unit at 10:30 am and the memory care unit at 11:00 am at the Blue Ridge nursing home. Around forty people come to the service from all different backgrounds, and we joyfully pray, worship and sing with them! It is a privilege to worship with the people at Blue Ridge, and to share our faith with each other. Come join us for this unique service!

Loaves & Fishes at Christ Episcopal Church on Wednesday, November 27th from 5:30-6:15 pm. They are in need of desserts, various kinds of fruit & people to help serve & clean-up. To make sure that we have enough desserts, fruit, and are fully staffed for a better overall community ministry and experience, please sign up online under the volunteer link.

Acoustic Music Practice – Wednesday, November 27th at 5:30 pm in the Undercroft.



Bishop and Confirmand Reception Sunday, December 1st

There will be a reception for Bishop Mark Bourlakas and the Confirmands following the 10:30 am service in the Parish House.

Volunteers are needed for set-up, clean-up and food and drink items. Contact person is Debbie Lewis. Please sign up online under volunteers.

Please have your food and drink item(s) at the Parish House by 10:15 am Sunday. Also, please label your containers with your name so that you can retrieve it after the reception.

There will be lots of food and fellowship.
Come out and support our Bishop, Confirmands and have a wonderful day in the Lord!

Thank you to those who serve:

Chalicians: Nancy Spilman, Bob Bushnell
Lector/prayers: Mary Ruth Reynolds
Acolytes: Claire Warner Coleman, Baylie Coleman
Torch Bearers:
Ushers: Will Smith, Rives Coleman
Altar Guild: Team One – Susan Critz, Amy Hooper, Debbie Lewis,
Cece Johnson, LaRue Powers, Jane Thomasson

Christ Church Clergy and Staff:

Bishop of Southwestern Virginia: The Right Reverend Mark A. Bourlakas
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Vestry for Sept. 2019 – Sept. 2020

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Will Gardner, Youth Rep.; Debbie Lewis

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Beverley Coleman, Lee Probst