



# Church of the Good Shepherd

## Nurturing Souls, Doing Justice, Serving Others, Caring for Creation

*Welcome to Good Shepherd. We are blessed with your presence this morning. As we gather, please be conscious of the sacredness of this space. Throughout the service, please feel free to adopt the posture that is most comfortable for you. Again, welcome.*

*The words of the service come from the red Book of Common Prayer (“BCP”). The congregational responses are printed in **Bold**.*

*The music is in the blue Hymnal: the “S” or service music is in the front of the Hymnal while the Hymns are in the back.*

The Last Sunday After Pentecost  
November 19, 2023

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II

# THE WORD OF GOD

PRELUDE

arr. Wilbur Held

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

OPENING HYMN

Hymn 632

“O Christ, the Word Incarnate” *Munich*

ACCLAMATION

BCP 355

*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

Hymn 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.**

## 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 prophetess, 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, ‘Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing 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.’”

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## THE PSALM

Psalm 123

ANTIPHON *Choir, then people*

Our eyes look to isyou, O God, un - til you show - your mer - cy.

*Choir only*

- 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. [ANTIPHON]
- 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. [ANTIPHON]

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, beloved, 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.

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN

Hymn 541 (vs.1,2,4,5)

"Come, labor on" *Ora Labora*

*All stand*

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 25:14-30

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, “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. The one who had received the five talents went off at once 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 seed; 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.’”

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON

THE NICENE CREED

BCP 358

*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 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

Rooted in Abundance

*Celebrant* Gather us together, O God, that we might share the prayers,  
intentions, and thanksgivings of our community.  
We are generous with our gifts

*People* **Because we are Rooted in Abundance.**

*Leader* I ask your prayers for the Church, for all who worship God this  
day. For our clergy, our diocesan leaders, and for our  
congregation. We pray especially for this season in which we

celebrate our stories of leadership and our support for mission...

We are generous with our gifts of leadership,

*People* **Because we are Rooted in Abundance.**

*Leader* I ask your prayers for our Nation and all nations; for refugees fleeing climate change and war; for conflicts of resources and land; for lawmakers, peacekeepers, and informed citizens. We pray for a distribution of wealth that helps the poor and the marginalized...

We are generous with our gifts of peace,

*People* **Because we are Rooted in Abundance.**

*Leader* I ask your prayers for the sick, the lonely, the lost, and those who grieve. We remember those on our parish prayer list, and those we name now in silence or aloud ...

We are generous with our gifts of healing,

*People* **Because we are Rooted in Abundance.**

*Leader* I ask your prayers for those who have died, those who are dying, and those who mourn. For those on our parish list, and for those we name now in silence or aloud...

We are generous with our gifts of support,

*People* **Because we are Rooted in Abundance.**

*Leader* I ask for your remembrances of thanksgivings and blessings, for we are given time, talent, and treasure to share with the world...

We are generous with our gratitude,

*People* **Because we are Rooted in Abundance.**

*Celebrant* Hear the prayers of your people, Creator God. May we who are blessed by so much wealth and wisdom, share our works with a world in need. **Amen.**

## CONFESSON OF SIN

BCP 360

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*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.**

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

THE PEACE *All stand*

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

*People* **And also with you.**

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

BCP 376

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Clayton Horath

“Unto thee I lift up mine eyes”

THE DOXOLOGY

Verse 3, Hymn 380

**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 B

BCP 367

*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 our thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

THE PROPER PREFACE

BCP 377

*Celebrant* 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:

THE SANCTUS

BCP 367; Hymn S-125

**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 people stand or kneel*

*Then the Celebrant continues.*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life,

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

BCP 368

**We remember his death.**

**We proclaim his resurrection.**

**We await his coming in glory;**

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage

of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.

THE GREAT AMEN

BCP 369; Hymn S-146



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

THE LORD'S PRAYER *in unison*

BCP 364

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

BCP 364

FRACTION ANTHEM

Hymn S-155

A musical score for 'Fraction Anthem' in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is written on four staves in treble clef. The lyrics are: 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.' The notes are: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4, C4.

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*The people come forward to receive communion, beginning with the front rows.*

COMMUNION HYMN

Hymn 312

“Strengthen for service, Lord” *Malabar*

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER *in unison*

**God of Abundance and Grace, by the provision of this feast,  
the Sacrament of our Savior, Jesus Christ you have united us together**

**in purpose and place. May we who have gathered and broken bread  
Now share the living Word, being rooted in Abundance; serving you  
with joy and steadfast faith, through Jesus Christ, our head. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN

Hymn 551

“Rise up, ye saints of God!” *Festal Song*

*The people stand*

DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE

Wilbur Held

“Trumpet Tune”



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