



The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost | Proper 24

8:30 am and 10:30 am • October 18, 2026

Abbreviations: **BCP** Book of Common Prayer | **CG** A Child's Guide to the Holy Eucharist | **LEVAS II** Lift Every Voice and Sing II | **WLP** Wonder, Love and Praise

THE PRELUDE

Acclamation

R. Groom te Velde

Variations on Azmon

H. Hopson

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

493. O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Azmon

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP 355 | GC 3

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

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR 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 SONG OF PRAISE

8:30 **Gloria** (Spoken)

BCP 356 | CG 5

10:30 **S280. Glory to God in the Highest**

R. Powell

THE WORD OF GOD

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Please be seated.

THE CHILDREN'S HOMILY

After the homily, the children aged 3-11 are invited to process out for Christian Formation time in Curry Hall, Room 201. They will return at the Peace.

THE FIRST LESSON

Exodus 33:12-23

Moses said to the Lord, "See, you have said to me, 'Bring up this people'; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.' Now if I have found favor in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people." He said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." And he said to him, "If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth." The Lord said to Moses, "I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name." Moses said, "Show me your glory, I pray." And he

said, “I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, ‘The Lord’; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But,” he said, “you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live.” And the Lord continued, “See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM

Jerome Webster Meachen
(b. 1930)



Psalm 99

Dominus regnavit

1 The Lord is King;
let the people **tremble**;
he is enthroned upon the cherubim; | let the earth **shake**.

2 The Lord is great in **Zion**;
He is high above all **peoples**.

† 3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and **awesome**;
He is the **Holy One**.

4 "O mighty King, | lover of justice, | you have established **equity**;
you have executed justice and righteousness in **Jacob**."

5 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God
and fall down before his **footstool**;
He is the **Holy One**.

6 Moses and Aaron among his priests, and
Samuel among those who call upon his **Name**,
they called upon the Lord, and he **answered them**.

7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of **cloud**;
they kept his testimonies and the decree that he **gave them**.

8 "O Lord our God, you answered them in - **deed**;
you were a God who forgave them,
yet punished them for their evil **deeds**."

9 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God
and worship him upon his **holy hill**;
for the Lord our God is the **Holy One**.

THE SECOND LESSON

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God,

and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand, as you are able.

THE SEQUENCE HYMN

665. All my Hope on God is Founded

Michael

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 22:15-22

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

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

Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?” But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, “Whose head is this, and whose title?” They answered, “The emperor’s.” Then he said to them, “Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor’s, and to God the things that are God’s.” When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Please be seated.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Grey Maggiano

Please stand, as you are able.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God of all that was, and is, and is to come we pray this morning for communities of faith the world over. Inspire us to hear your word, to do your work, and to see your hand at work in the world around us.

This we pray, **Hear us Lord.**

Jesus, Child of God, remind us that we are also God's children. Help us to see your face in the face of friend and stranger, foreigner and outcast, prisoners and enemies, and to turn away from fear, anger and resentment and towards love, joy and hope.

This we pray, **Hear us Lord.**

Holy Spirit, breath of God, we invite you into our lives and our hearts and into this community at Church of the Nativity. Enliven us, inspire us, and strengthen us for the doing of your work.

This we pray, **Hear us Lord.**

Triune God, Creator, Redeemer and Sanctifier, we pray for this nation, and for all nations, that struggles and divisions may cease, that war and conflict may be brought to an end, and that our leaders may see the world through your eyes, be agents of your love, and architects of your joy.

This we pray, **Hear us Lord.**

We pray for those in our community who are sick, struggling or in need, Alice, Barry, Betty, Bill, Carl, Catherine, Diane, Ellen, Eva, Jan, Jane, Jim, John, Ken, Liz, Margaret, Mary, Maxine, Nancy, Nathan, Remmy, Robin, Tom and those we now name.

This we pray, **Hear us Lord.**

We pray for our families and friends including Annabelle, Caline, Danielle, Denise, Dianne, Evonne, Gemma, Hannah, James, John, John, Joseph, Kate, Keili, Kenny, Lake, Leeann, Lois, Lori, Margaret, Moira, Nathan, Randy, Renee, Rosalie, Roy, Sandy, Sara, Shannon, Stephanie, Urs.

For those expecting a child, Adam and Sarah. We pray for those we now name.

This we pray, **Hear us Lord.**

We pray also for those who have died, especially Sandy Linthicum, that they may find rest in your eternal Kingdom.

This we pray, **Hear us Lord.**

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. Stephen's, Winston-Salem; St. Timothy's, Winston-Salem; Penick Village.

In the Anglican Communion cycle of prayer, we pray for The Anglican Church of Canada.

In the Armed Forces and Federal Ministries cycle of prayer, we pray for our chaplains, military members, their families, and for those serving in California at Camp Pendleton, Marine Corps Air Station Miramar, Moffett Federal Airfield, Travis Airforce Base, Twentynine Palms, Naval Base San Diego, Edwards Air Force Base, and the West Los Angeles VA Medical Center. We pray for our priest associates the Rev. George Black and the Rev. Ryan Parker in their ministries.

This we pray, **Hear us Lord.**

The celebrant adds a concluding collect.

THE CONFESSION

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 PEACE

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

Rejoice, the Lord is King

M. Archer

Rejoice, the Lord is King, your Lord and King adore; mortals, give thanks and sing and triumph evermore.

Refrain: Lift up your heart, lift up your voice, rejoice, again, I say rejoice.

Jesus the Saviour reigns, the God of truth and love; when he had purged our stains he took his seat above.

His kingdom cannot fail; he rules o'er earth and heaven; the keys of death and hell are to our Jesus given.

He sits at God's right hand till all his foes submit, and bow to his command and fall beneath his feet.

Rejoice, the Lord is King, your Lord and King adore; mortals, give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore.

THE DOXOLOGY

380. Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

Old 100th

Please stand, as you are able.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361 | CG 17

SANCTUS

S125. Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

R. Proulx

THE LORD'S PRAYER: Traditional Version

BCP 364 | CG 23

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

BCP 364 | CG 23

THE COMMUNION HYMN

314. Humbly I Adore Thee

Adoro Devote

S155. Christ Our Passover

G. Near

Please stand, as you are able.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365 | CG 25

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 SENDING OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

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 all share one bread, one cup. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

THE FINAL HYMN

686. Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Nettleton

THE DISMISSAL

The Deacon, or Celebrant, dismisses the People, and the People respond:
Thanks be to God.

THE POSTLUDE

Toccata on Nettleton

G. Young

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We thank the following people for their service today

PREACHER	The Rev. Dr. Grey Maggiano
CELEBRANT	Emmy Dykes, Kate Krouse
MUSICIAN (10:30)	The Nativity Choir
LECTORS (8:30)	George Douglas, Helen Armstrong
(10:30)	Viola Baldwin, Emily Jividen
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS (8:30)	Steve Dearth
(10:30)	Rick Burts, Peyton Sanders
TORCHES (10:30)	Ethan Phillips, Arjun Pant
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