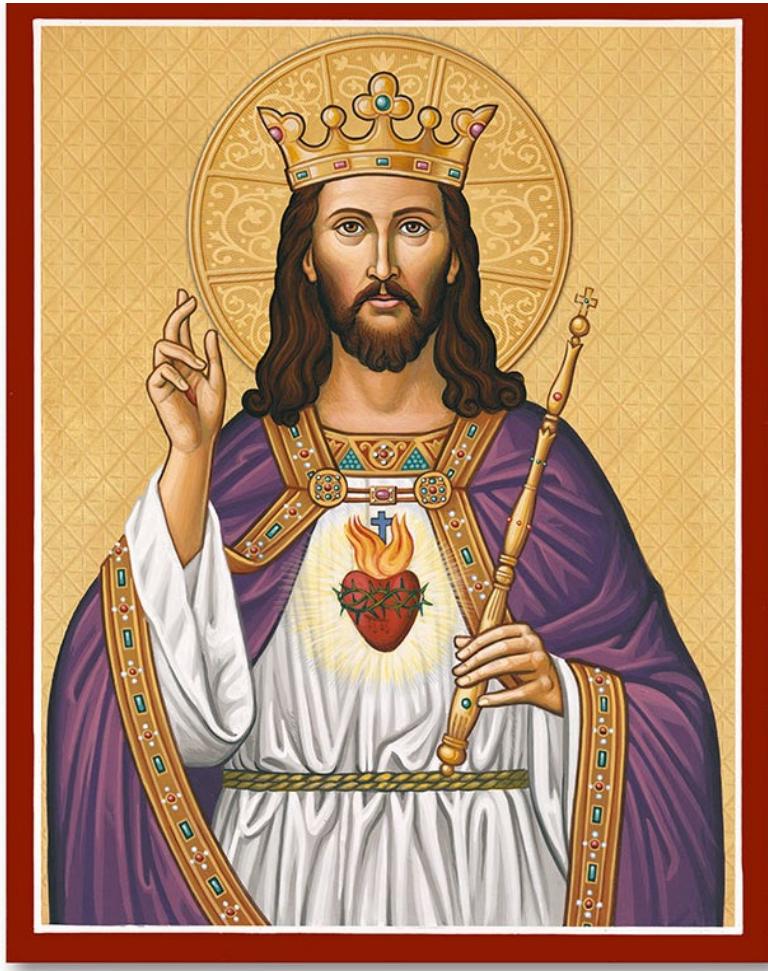


# The Last Sunday after Pentecost: Christ the King

November 20, 2022  
8:45 & 11:00am



**THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF ST. JOHN IN THE WILDERNESS**  
Est. 1836 | Flat Rock, North Carolina

## Mission Statement

*To know and love God as He is revealed to us in Jesus Christ, to bring others to His saving love, and to serve the world in his name.*

## Welcome and Reminders

We welcome you warmly to St. John in the Wilderness and invite you to share in our songs, prayers, and eucharistic feast. If you do not have a church family at this time, then we invite you to join in this fellowship of faith as we share life together as the Body of Christ. While we are broken and incomplete in many ways, we find God making us whole through this parish community. Fill out a card in your pew and put it in the offering plate or talk to an usher, greeter, or member of the clergy to learn more about St. John. It is wonderful to be with you today!

## Reminders for Worship

- Masks are recommended but not required.
- If you find out that you have COVID-19 and that you might have brought it to this service, please call the church office and ask for the Rector.
- You will find hand sanitizer in the pews and with the ushers. Please use it after the Peace and before receiving Communion.
- Please participate in the service by singing and praying with us. At the time of the Peace, please take a few moments to leave your pew and greet others in the name of our Lord.

# Holy Eucharist, Rite II

8:45 & 11:00am

PRELUDE: Voluntary on “Engelberg”

Charles Callahan

Welcome & Announcements

Fr. Josh Stephens

ENTRANCE HYMN: No. 477 All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine

*Engelberg*



1 All praise to thee, for thou, O King di - vine,  
2 Thou cam'st to us in low - li - ness of thought;  
3 Let this mind be in us which was in thee,  
4 Where - fore, by God's e - ter - nal pur - pose, thou  
5 Let ev - ery tongue con - fess with one ac - cord



1 didst yield the glo - ry that of right was thine,  
2 by thee the out - cast and the poor were sought;  
3 who wast a ser - vant that we might be free,  
4 art high ex - alt - ed o'er all crea - tures now,  
5 in heaven and earth that Je - sus Christ is Lord;



1 that in our dark - ened hearts thy grace might shine.  
2 and by thy death was God's sal - va - tion wrought.  
3 hum - bling thy self to death on Cal - va - ry.  
4 and given the Name to which all knees shall bow.  
5 and God the Fa - ther be by all a - dored.



## THE WORD OF GOD

Acclamation & Response

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

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

Hymnal S-280

The musical notation consists of seven staves of music in common time, treble clef, and key signature of one flat. The lyrics are integrated with the music, appearing below each staff. The lyrics are:

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we  
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus  
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re -  
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the



*The Celebrant says to the people*

The Lord be with you.

*People*

And also with you.

*Celebrant*

Let us pray.

### The Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

### First Lesson: Jeremiah 23:1-6

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

The Word of the Lord.

*People*

Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 46

*Deus noster refugium*

*The Psalm is read responsively by whole verse at 8:45 and chanted at 11:00.*

Jerome Webster Meachen  
(b. 1930)

The musical notation consists of two staves. The top staff is in G major (one sharp) and common time. It features a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a common time signature. The bottom staff is also in G major and common time, featuring a bass clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a common time signature. Both staves begin with a half note followed by a quarter note. The music continues with eighth notes and sixteenth notes, separated by vertical bar lines.

- 1 God is our refuge and **STRENGTH**,  
a very present help in **TROUBLE**.
- 2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be **MOVED**,  
and though the mountains be toppled into the depths of the **SEA**;
- 3 Though its waters rage and **FOAM**,  
and though the mountains tremble at its **TUMULT**.
- 4 The Lord of hosts is **WITH US**;  
the God of Jacob is our **STRONGHOLD**.
- 5 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of **GOD**.  
the holy habitation of the Most **HIGH**.
- 6 God is in the midst of her; she shall not be over**THROWN**;  
God shall help her at the break of **DAY**.
- 7 The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are **SHAKEN**;  
God has spoken, and the earth shall melt a**WAY**.
- 8 The Lord of hosts is **WITH US**;  
the God of Jacob is our **STRONGHOLD**.
- 9 Come now and look upon the works of the **LORD**,  
what awesome things he has done on **EARTH**.
- 10 It is he who makes war to cease in all the **WORLD**;  
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with **FIRE**.
- 11 “Be still, then, and know that I am **GOD**;  
I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the **EARTH**.”
- 12 The Lord of hosts is **WITH US**;  
the God of Jacob is our **STRONGHOLD**.

## Second Lesson: Colossians 1:11-20

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers-- all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

The Word of the Lord.

People      Thanks be to God.

*As the music begins, all stand for the gradual hymn and reorient themselves to the Gospel of our Lord as it is processed into the congregation.*

GRADUAL HYMN: No. 483 The head that once was crowned with thorns    St. Magnus

The musical notation consists of two staves of music. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. Both staves are in common time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The music features a mix of quarter and eighth notes, with several rests and a prominent eighth-note figure near the end of the first line. The lyrics are written below the staves, aligned with the musical measures.

1 The head that once was crowned with thorns is crowned with glo - ry now;  
2 The high - est place that heaven af - fords is his, is his by right,  
3 the joy of all who dwell a - bove, the joy of all be - low,  
4 To them the cross with all its shame, with all its grace is given;  
5 They suf - fer with their Lord be - low, they reign with him a - bove,

1 a      roy - al      di - a - dem a - dorns the      might - y      vic - tor's      brow.  
 2 the      King of kings, and      Lord of lords, and      heaven's e - ter - nal      Light;  
 3 to      whom he man - i - fests his love and      grants his name to know.  
 4 their      name, an ev - er - last - ing name; their      joy, the      joy of heaven.  
 5 their      prof - it and their      joy to know the      mys - tery      of his      love.

6 The cross he bore is life and health,  
       though shame and death to him:  
       his people's hope, his people's wealth,  
       their everlasting theme.

*All remain standing as the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People      Glory to you, Lord Christ.

**The Gospel:** Luke 23:33-43

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. The people stood by, watching Jesus on the cross; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People      Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**The Sermon**

Fr. Josh Stephens

*All stand.*

## 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

*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 our enemies and those who wish us harm, and 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.

We pray for José, our bishop; for Josh, our rector; for Ian, our curate; and for Sandy, our deacon. We pray for all bishops and other ministers;  
**For all who serve God in his Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation and for those on the Diocesan High School Retreat at Lake Logan this weekend: Fr. Ian, Abby Stephens, Mary Shelton, Danielle Pharr, Laila Martin, and Sarah Yeargin. We pray also for those on our parish prayer list: Joanne, Dottie, Tom, Debi, Linda, Melissa, Robin, Gene, John, and Jane. Are there others?

*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, [especially \_\_\_\_\_,] 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 adds a concluding collect.*

## Confession of Sin

*The Deacon or Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Minister and People*

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 Bishop when present, or the Priest, stands and says*

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

*All stand. The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

*Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## A Prayer for Those Celebrating

Birthdays & Wedding Anniversaries in November

BCP, page 830, Prayer 50

O God, our times are in your hands. Look with favor, we pray on your servants who are celebrating birthdays or wedding anniversaries this month. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The Celebrant then shares an offertory sentence.*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### The Offertory

*The ushers pass the offering plates and present the gifts of the congregation at the Lord's table.*

**OFFERTORY MUSIC:** Three Songs for Young People      Directed by Lynn Wiescholek

Alleluia

Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu ia, Al-le-  
lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia, Al-le-lu-ia!

God is so Good

God is so good, God is so good,  
God is so good, He's so good to me!

Jesus Loves Me, This I Know

Jesus loves me, this I know,  
for the Bible tells me so;  
little ones to him belong,  
they are weak but he is strong.

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

**OFFERTORY RESPONSE:** Praise God from whom all blessings flow

*Old 100<sup>th</sup>*

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. Amen.

### The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

*The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says*

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.

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

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

*Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.*

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

Hymnal S-125

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The people stand or kneel.*

*Then the Celebrant continues*

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.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

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:

*Celebrant and People*

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

*The Celebrant continues*

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,

*People      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.

### The Breaking of the Bread

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

*The Celebrant continues*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People*           Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.  
*and may add*   Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in  
your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*The ushers immediately begin releasing the congregation to share in the Eucharistic feast. All are invited to come forward and kneel as you are able. If you would rather not receive Communion, you are invited to still come to the altar rail and cross your arms over your chest to indicate for the priest to bless you.*

*If you are receiving Communion, please do one of three things when you kneel: 1.) Most traditionally, place one hand in the palm of the other and receive the Body of Christ which you consume immediately. When the chalice comes around, guide it to your lips and drink directly from the chalice. 2.) To receive Communion in one kind (the bread alone), simply receive the bread as described above and when the chalice comes around, cross both arms over your chest. 3.) If you would like to practice intinction, upon arriving at the altar rail, place one arm diagonally across your chest until the priest notices your preference, then put one hand in the palm of the other to receive Communion. The priest will intinct for you and then place the Body and Blood of Christ in the palm of your hands. A gluten-free option is available upon request.*

## COMMUNION HYMN: No. 324 Let all mortal flesh keep silence

Picardy

1 Let all mortal flesh keep si - lence, and with fear and  
 2 King of kings, yet born of Ma - ry, as of old on  
 3 Rank on rank the host of hea - ven spreads its van - guard  
 4 At his feet the six - winged ser - aph; cher - u - bim with

trem - bling stand; pon - der noth - ing earth - ly -  
 earth he stood, Lord of lords in hu - man  
 on the way, as the Light of Light de -  
 sleep - less eye veil their fac - es to the

mind - ed, for with bless - ing in his hand  
 ves - ture, in the Bo - dy and the Blood  
 scend - eth from the realms of end - less day,  
 Pres - ence, as with cease - less voice they cry,

Christ our God to earth de - scand - eth,  
 he will give to all the faith ful  
 that the powers of hell may va nish  
 "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu ia!"

our full hom - age to de - mand.  
 his own self for heaven - ly food.  
 as the dark - ness clears a way.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

## Sending Out of Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant With whom will you share this communion?

Eucharistic Visitors respond with the names of those to whom they will go.

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, we 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 and one cup.

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*The people stand or kneel for the Post-Communion Prayer.*

*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**

**DISMISSAL HYMN: No. 495 Hail, thou once despised Jesus!**

*In Babilone*

1 Hail, thou once de - spis - ed Je - sus! Hail, thou Gal - i -  
2 Pas - chal Lamb, by God ap - point - ed, all our sins on  
3 Je - sus, hail! en - throned in glo - ry, there for ev - er  
\*4 Wor - ship, hon - or, power, and bless - ing thou art wor - thy

le - an King! Thou didst suf - fer to re - lease us;  
thee were laid: by al - might - y love a - noint - ed,  
to a - bide; all the heaven - ly hosts a - dore thee,  
to re - ceive; high - est prais - es, with - out ceas - ing,

thou didst free sal - va - tion bring. Hail, thou u - ni - ver - sal  
thou hast full a - tone - ment made. All thy peo - ple are for -  
seat - ed at thy Fa - ther's side. There for sin - ners thou art  
right it is for us to give. Help, ye bright an - gel - ic

Sa - vior, bear - er of our sin and shame! By thy mer - it  
 giv - en through the vir - tue of thy blood: o - pened is the  
 plead-ing: there thou dost our place pre - pare; ev - er for us  
 spi - rits, all your no - blest an - thems raise; help to sing our

we find fa - vor: life is giv - en through thy Name  
 gate of hea - ven, re - con - ciled are we with God.  
 in - ter - ced - ing, till in glo - ry we ap - pear.  
 Sa - vior's mer - its, help to chant Em - man - uel's praise!

## The Dismissal

*The Deacon, or the Celebrant, may dismiss the people with these words*

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Postlude on “Diademata”

Donna H. Robertson

The Prayers of the People is that part of our liturgy which offers intercessions and thanksgivings to God. Worshippers, wherever they are in the church, are encouraged to offer aloud or silently their own such prayers during the appropriate part of the Prayers of the People. As we pray, please remember those who are ill or with other needs: Joanne Adams, Dottie Dalzell, Tom Joiner, Debi Benivennte, Linda Kirkendall, Melissa Parris, Robin Howe, Gene Banks, John Flowers, and Jane Griswold.

The Altar Flowers are given in loving memory of R. I'On Lowndes, Elizabeth Plumb Lowndes, and Richard I. Lowndes III by their families.

To our visitors: We welcome you with all our hearts! You are also invited to come forward at the time of Communion to receive a blessing or the Sacrament. All baptized Christians are encouraged to receive Communion, including infants and children. If you are not baptized, please come forward and kneel at the altar while crossing your arms over your chest to receive a special blessing, and we invite you to talk to the priest at any time about entering discernment for being baptized. Won't you join with Christ and his Church on this journey of faith?

If you do not have a church home at this time, then we hope you will make St. John in the Wilderness your church family. We find that through sharing life together as the Body of Christ, we are made whole and renewed daily. Talk to an usher or member of the clergy about joining this parish, or you are welcome to simply fill out a card in your pew and put it in the offering plate. We welcome you!

### We give thanks to the following for their ministry to our church:

	November 29, 2022		November 27, 2022	
	8:45	11:00	8:45	11:00
Lay Readers	Dick Zecher	Susan MacDonald	John & Margaret Barker	Lori Griswold
Acolyte	Sandra Jeffery	Anita Reid	Margaret Barker	Mark Delk
Ushers	Robert & Jodi Sundeen	E.R. Haire	Clint Adams	Abby Stephens
Greeters	Lois Karcher	David Christenbury	George Grzenda	Hilton Swing
	Judy Petersen	Vickie Taylor	Lynne Miller	Tom Savage
Cart Driver	Steve Hutcherson	Scott Bell	Judy Petersen	Patty Vint
Eucharistic Visitors	Dick Zecher	Margaret Barker	Jill/Mark Owen	Jason Blackwell
	Clint Adams	Lori Griswold	Dick Zecher	
	Beth Miller	Arnold Smith		
Altar Guild	Cathryn Harrell	Vickie & Bill Taylor	Carol Sims	Lisa Wills
	BJ McKee		Lynne Miller	Susan Gibbs
	Michael Jeffery (Brass)		Gibson Sims (Brass)	
Videographer	Bob Inglis	Eduard Wieschole	N/A	Tom Griswold
Opening Gatekeeper	David Dethero		David Dethero	
Closing Gatekeeper	Kim Sanders		Kim Sanders	
Flower Guild	Galen Reuther and Jim Wagner		Carol Sims	

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Worship Services: 8:45 & 11:00am | Office Hours: 9am-4pm M-F

Sunday School for Adults, Youth, and Children: 10:00am

Holy Eucharist & Healing Service: Wednesdays 10:30am in the Wilderness Room

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Dick Zecher

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John Barker

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Lynn Wieschole

2024

E.R. Haire, Jr.

Marisa Pharr

Will Rodriguez

Kim Sanders

## PARISH OFFICERS

Margaret Barker, Clerk of the Vestry

Tom Griswold, Treasurer

## STANDING COMMITTEES

Buildings and Grounds Committee: Robin Howe

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Communications & Publicity: Joey Popp

Finance: Susan MacDonald

Historic Churchyard Committee: Ken Jones

New Member Ministry: Brenda Hillyer, Judy Petersen

Outreach: Jennifer Shelton

Personnel: Margaret Barker

Stewardship: Clint Adams

## OTHER COMMITTEES AND MINISTRIES

Acolytes: Lynn Savage

Altar Guild: Cathryn Harrell, Sally Hopper

Chefs of St. John: Jim Vint

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Docents: E.R. Haire, Jr.

Endowment Trustees: Robin Howe

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Eucharistic Visitors: Dick Zecher

Flower Guild: Bay Chamberlain

Flower Memorials: Gaston Motes

Funeral Reception Ministry: Brenda Hillyer

Giving Garden: Carrie Byars

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Greeters: Betsy Tibbs

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Ushers: Clint Adams, Bettie Orr

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