

Holy Communion

Please be seated until an usher invites you forward. Those who prefer to drink from an individual cup may take one from the tray as they proceed into the half-circle; a few cups are prefilled with grape juice. Those who prefer the common cup may drink directly from the chalice, or dip the bread into it. Return to your seat by the side aisle, placing any empty cups in the tray provided there. All are welcome to receive the Lord’s Body and Blood who are baptized and believe that Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, is truly present in, with, and under the forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. You may place the empty cup in the tray by the side aisle on your way back to your seat.

Music During Communion

+WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD+

Post-Communion Canticale ~ LBW p. 92 Thank the Lord  
(We stand and sing once everyone has received the sacrament. In this song or chant, we offer our thanks and express our faith in what God has done for us and promised to do for us in the future.)

Post-Communion Prayer and Benediction ~ LBW p. 94

Assisting Minister: Let us pray ... Jesus Christ our Lord.

Congregation: Amen.

Pastor (chanting): Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. Congregation (chanting): Amen.

Recessional Hymn ~ LBW Hymn #535 Holy God, We Praise Your Name  
GROSSER GOTT  
(We stay standing and sing. As the cross is carried out, we turn to follow it as we sing. Now nurtured through God’s word and sacrament, we are ready to go forth into the world again.)

Dismissal

Assisting Minister: Let us go in peace. The Word has been fulfilled.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Organ Postlude

Sermon Notes

CALENDAR

Sunday, November 16 – The Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

- 10:00 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship Service
- 12:30 pm Church Council

Tuesday and Thursday

9am-2 pm First Friends

Saturday, November 22

9am-12pm Work (Fun!) Day

Sunday, November 23 – Christ the King Sunday

- 10:00 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am Worship Service
- 12:30 pm Special Congregational Meeting

CHURCH STAFF

- Evan McClanahan, Pastor
- Mario Aschauer, Organist/Choir Director
- Amanda McClanahan, Director of First Friends
- Cheri Santibanez, Office Administrator
- Bright Igwenagu, Sexton
- Pr. Edwin Peterman, Pastor Emeritus

WORSHIP ENABLERS TODAY

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|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| TBD                                            | Assisting Minister      |
| David Stoner                                   | Server, Crucifer        |
| Tristyn Brogan                                 | Acolyte                 |
| Steve Bing, Dylan Blackwell, Christopher Maale | Usher                   |
| Charlene Kelley, Dorah Mushi                   | Altar Guild             |
| Edward Scott                                   | Audio/Video             |
| Mario Aschauer                                 | Organist/Choir Director |
| Pastor Evan McClanahan                         | Liturgist/Preacher      |



THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ~ NOVEMBER 16, 2025  
ORDER OF SERVICE

+WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP+

Upon entering the nave, please prepare for worship by attentively listening to the prelude.  
If you arrive during the Confession, please wait to enter until the Processional Hymn.

Organ Prelude

Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness ~ LBW p. 77 (stand)

Welcome and Announcements

The Ringing of the Bell

Introit (Choir)  
(We stand and turn to face the cross at the back of the church as the choir sings. “Introit” means “to enter.” Here we begin our church service with the theme of the day announced.)

Processional Hymn ~ LBW #558 Earth and All Stars EARTH AND ALL STARS  
(We all sing the hymn and turn to follow the cross as it moves to the altar.)

Greeting and Kyrie ~ LBW p. 78

Hymn of Praise ~ LBW p. 79 Glory to God

Prayer of the Day ~ LBW p. 29

Pastor: Let us pray ...

Congregation: Amen.

Children’s Sermon

(Children are invited forward for a message just for them. After the message, they can go next door to the nursery with Mrs. Bella.)

+WE LISTEN TO GOD’S WORD+

*(In the second part of our liturgy, we hear and respond to God’s word.)*

**First Lesson ~ 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.

Assisting Minister: The Word of the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

**The Psalm ~ Psalm 61**



- <sup>1</sup> Hear my | cry, O God,\*  
and listen | to my prayer.
- <sup>2</sup> **I call upon you from the ends of the earth with heaviness | in my heart;\* set me upon the rock that is high- | er than I.**
- <sup>3</sup> For you have | been my refuge,\*  
a strong tower a- | gainst the enemy.
- <sup>4</sup> **I will dwell in your | house forever;\*  
I will take refuge under the cover | of your wings.**
- <sup>5</sup> For you, O God, have | heard my vows;\*  
you have granted me the heritage of those who | fear your name.
- <sup>6</sup> **Add length of days | to the king's life;\*  
let his years extend over many | generations.**
- <sup>7</sup> Let him sit enthroned before | God forever;\*  
bid love and faithfulness watch | over him.
- <sup>8</sup> **So will I always sing the praise | of your name,\*  
and day by day I will ful- | fill my vows.**

**The Second Lesson ~ 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.

Assisting Minister: The Word of the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual**

**The Gospel ~ Luke 20:27-38**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 20<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to him and asked him a question, “Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man’s brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.” Jesus said to them, “Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord!

**C: Praise to you O Christ.**

**The Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day ~ LBW Hymn #477 – O God of Jacob** ST. PETER

**The Nicene Creed~ LBW p. 85**

**Prayers of the People**

*(The assistant minister leads us in prayer for our church, the sick and suffering, our community, and the world. We place trust in our loving God, especially for places and situations beyond our control).*

Assisting Minister: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.  
*(Each petition will end with the response:)*  
Assisting Minister: Lord, in Your mercy.  
**Congregation: Hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Congregation: Amen.**

**The Greeting of Peace**

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

**Congregation: And also with you.**

*(We repeat this greeting to those around us as you are comfortable.)*

**Choral Anthem**

**The Offering**

*(Be seated as ushers collect the offering and the choir sings. Having heard God’s word, we thus respond in faith and thanksgiving through this act.)*

**Offertory ~ LBW p. 86 Let the vineyards**

Assisting Minister: Let us pray. Merciful Father,  
**Congregation: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

+WE RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR+

*(Here, Christ comes to us in the sacrament or “sacred act” of the altar. We believe that God brings himself and his forgiveness to us “in, with, and under” the bread and the wine.)*

**Great Thanksgiving and Proper Preface ~ LBW p. 88**

*(We stay standing, as the pastor leads us in preparation for celebrating communion.)*

**Sanctus ~ LBW p. 89 Holy, Holy, Holy**

**Eucharistic Prayer #33 and Words of Institution ~ LBW p. 90**

*(The pastor leads us in prayer, followed by the words which Jesus spoke when he instituted communion. With these words, the bread and the wine are consecrated or “set apart” for God’s use in this special meal).*

Pastor: Blessed are you ... in his holy supper.

**Congregation: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Pastor: In the night in which he was betrayed ... remembrance of me

**Lord’s Prayer ~ LBW p. 91**

**Agnus Dei (Lamb of God) ~ LBW p. 92 Lamb of God**

*(We stay standing as we sing about Jesus, the Lamb of God sacrificed for us to free us from the bondage of sin and death.)*