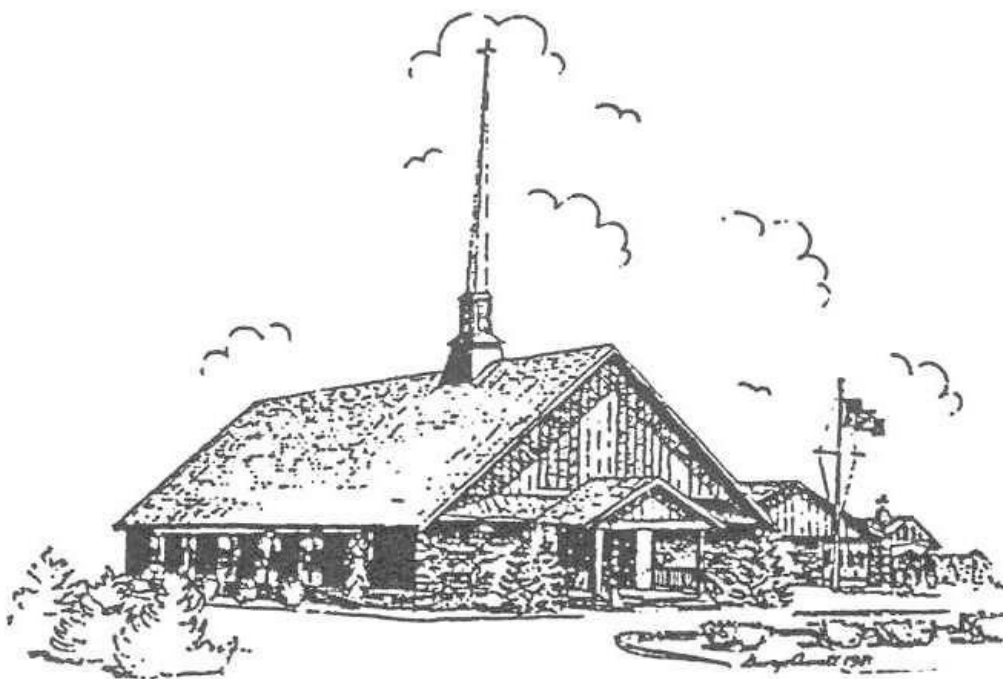


The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

*The Last Sunday after Pentecost  
Christ the King*



*The Episcopal Church of The Holy Innocents  
in the Borough of Beach Haven, New Jersey  
24 November, 2024 ~ 9:30 AM*

*Welcome! In The Episcopal Church all baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion. BCP means The Book of Common Prayer (Red Book). You'll find the BCP and Hymnals in the pew rack in front of you. We hope you'll join us for Coffee Hour following the service!*

*\* Indicates to stand as you are able*

**Prelude**                    *Hail to the Lord's Anointed*                    Henry Balcombe

## **The Parish Notices**

**Entrance Hymn #365**    *Come, Thou Almighty King*                    MOSCOW

## **THE WORD OF GOD**

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

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

*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. *All: Amen.*

*Gloria S-280 (all sing)*    *Gloria in excelsis*                    Robert Powell (b.1932)

**The Collect of the Day**                    **BCP, p. 236**

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 for ever. *Amen.*

**The First Lesson**                    **2 Samuel 23:1-7**

The oracle of David, son of Jesse,  
the oracle of the man whom God exalted,  
the anointed of the God of Jacob,  
    the favorite of the Strong One of Israel:  
The spirit of the LORD speaks through me,  
    his word is upon my tongue.

The God of Israel has spoken,  
the Rock of Israel has said to me:  
One who rules over people justly,  
ruling in the fear of God,  
is like the light of morning,  
like the sun rising on a cloudless morning,  
gleaming from the rain on the grassy land.  
Is not my house like this with God?  
For he has made with me an everlasting covenant,  
ordered in all things and secure.  
Will he not cause to prosper  
all my help and my desire?  
But the godless are all like thorns that are thrown away;  
for they cannot be picked up with the hand;  
to touch them one uses an iron bar  
or the shaft of a spear.  
And they are entirely consumed in fire on the spot.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 132:1-13 (14-19)** (*Read by alternating whole verse*)

**BCP p. 785**

- 1 LORD, remember David, \*  
and all the hardships he endured;
- 2 How he swore an oath to the LORD \*  
and vowed a vow to the Mighty One of Jacob:
- 3 "I will not come under the roof of my house," \*  
nor climb up into my bed;
- 4 I will not allow my eyes to sleep, \*  
nor let my eyelids slumber;
- 5 Until I find a place for the LORD, \*  
a dwelling for the Mighty One of Jacob."

6 "The ark! We heard it was in Ephratah; \*  
we found it in the fields of Jearim.

7 Let us go to God's dwelling place; \*  
let us fall upon our knees before his footstool."

8 Arise, O LORD, into your resting-place, \*  
you and the ark of your strength.

9 Let your priests be clothed with righteousness; \*  
let your faithful people sing with joy.

10 For your servant David's sake, \*  
do not turn away the face of your Anointed.

11 The LORD has sworn an oath to David; \*  
in truth, he will not break it:

12 "A son, the fruit of your body \*  
will I set upon your throne.

13 If your children keep my covenant  
and my testimonies that I shall teach them, \*  
their children will sit upon your throne for evermore."

14 [For the LORD has chosen Zion; \*  
he has desired her for his habitation:

15 "This shall be my resting-place for ever; \*  
here will I dwell, for I delight in her.

16 I will surely bless her provisions, \*  
and satisfy her poor with bread.

17 I will clothe her priests with salvation, \*  
and her faithful people will rejoice and sing.

18 There will I make the horn of David flourish; \*  
I have prepared a lamp for my Anointed.

19 As for his enemies, I will clothe them with shame; \*  
but as for him, his crown will shine."]

## The Epistle

Revelation 1:4b-8

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds;

every eye will see him,

even those who pierced him;

and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence Hymn #544** *Jesus Shall Reign Where e'er the Sun*

DUKE STREET

**\*The Holy Gospel**

**John 18:33-37**

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

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

Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I

am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.”

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.** (*All are seated*)

**Homily**

**The Rev. Peter De Franco**

**\*The Nicene Creed**

**BCP, p. 358**

**\*The Prayers of the People: Form VI** (*The people may stand or kneel*)

**BCP, p. 392**

*Celebrant* Let us offer our prayers to God.

*Leader* For all people in their daily life and work;

*People* **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

*Leader* For Nancy our Mayor, Philip our Governor, and Joseph our President;  
Donald our President-elect, for this community, the nation, and the world;

*People* **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

*Leader* For the just and proper use of your creation;

*People* **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

*Leader* For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

*People* **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

*Leader* For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

*People* **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

*Leader* In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for The Anglican Church of South America. We pray for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; for Sean, our Presiding Bishop; for Sally our Bishop; for Peter, our guest priest; and the clergy that work with us during our transition; and for all bishops and other ministers;

*People* **For all who serve God in his Church.**

*Leader* We pray for the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially remembering all victims of climate change, and for the poor. We also

remember all those mentioned in our Parish Prayer List: the sick, the shut in, all caregivers, and the grieving; those serving in the military and other dangerous professions, and for our enemies, that all hearts may be turned to peace.

*(The People may add their own petitions either silently or aloud at this time.)*

*Leader* Hear us, Lord;

*People* **For your mercy is great.**

*Leader* We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life; for the beauty of your creation; for those celebrating birthdays or anniversaries this week, and, all the saints. We will exalt you, O God our King;

*People* **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

*Leader* We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. *(Deceased loved ones and friends may be mentioned at this time.)*

*Leader* Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

*People* **Who put their trust in you.**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

### **Confession of Sin**

**BCP p. 393**

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
In your compassion forgive us our sins,  
known and unknown,  
Things done and left undone;  
and so uphold us by your Spirit  
That we may live and serve you in newness of life,  
To the honor and glory of your name;  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

### **Absolution**

**BCP, p. 360**

**\*The Peace** *(All stand)*

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

**Offertory Anthem** *O Come, Thou God of Grace*

Jay Althouse

**\*Presentation of the Gifts** *(All stand)*

*All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own have we given Thee*

**\*The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A**

BCP, p. 361

*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.**

*Celebrant* 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 you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 S-129*** *(all sing)* *Holy, Holy, Holy Lord*

Robert Powell

*Celebrant* 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:

**All Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*Celebrant* 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. *All: AMEN.*

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**BCP, p. 364**

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** (*All baptized Christians may receive Holy Communion*)

*Fraction Anthem: S-154 (all sing) Christ Our Passover*

David Hurd (b. 1950)

### **Music at Communion**

**Hymn LEVAS #151** (*all sing*) *One Bread, One Body*

John B. Foley, SJ

**\*Postcommunion Prayer** (*Please stand*)

**BCP, p. 365**

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

**Blessing**

**Hymn #494**      *Crown Him With Many Crowns*

DIA DEMATA

**Dismissal**

**BCP, p. 366**

**Postlude**      *The Abundant Life*

Garrett Parker

*Please join us in Martin Hall for Coffee & Fellowship!*

**WELCOME The Rev. Peter De Franco**

**We are happy you are with us today ☺**

**Serving Today**

**Crucifer** ~Alexa Fahner    **Lector** ~Bill Kehr

**Ushers** ~Kay DeCicco, Mike DeCicco    **Chalice Bearer** ~Bill Kehr

**Birthdays:** Carol Boll (11/26), Carl Sheppard (11/27), Jeffrey Hollis (11/30)  
Steve Steiner (11/30)

**Altar Flowers:** Today's Altar Flowers are given by Ruth McLaughlin in celebration of her children, Frank III, Paul, Matthew, Rachel and to the Glory of God.

**WEEKLY ONLINE CALENDAR November 25-30**

25 – Mon	Morning Prayer (FB)	9:00 AM
	Yoga in MH	9:15 AM – 10:15 AM
27 – Wed	Parish Office Closed	
28 – Thurs	Parish Office Closed ~ Happy Thanksgiving	
	“Clam-Diggers” AA Group	7:30 PM

	Compline (FB)	9:00 PM
29 – Fri	<i>Parish Office Closed</i>	
30 – Sat	Lutz Committal	2:00 PM

**ALL MINISTRY AREA REPORTS FOR THE ANNUAL REPORT WILL BE DUE TO THE OFFICE NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6<sup>th</sup>**

**THE GIVING TREE** ~This year, we will support eight (9) families with 15 children varying in age.

Directions:

1. Select a Tag
2. Match the color, family # and child's name to sheet
3. Put your name and phone number next to correct color , family #, child's name and gift #.
4. Buy Gift-attach the tag you took to the gift
5. Do not wrap gift  
*Rolls of gift wrap are appreciated*
6. Gifts need to be returned to church no later than **December 15<sup>th</sup>**
7. If ordering online, **please confirm delivery date!**

Thank you!! Any questions, call or text Maggie 609-709-6133

**ADVENT FOOD DRIVE!** It's that time of year again! Each Sunday in Advent, please bring non-perishable food items to church and drop them in the Narthex. These will be delivered to St. Francis Food Pantry. You may also donate a bag of toiletry items. Make sure that these items are clearly separated from the food items!

- Dec. 3 – ECW Christmas Luncheon at 12:00 p.m.**
- Dec. 6 – All Ministry Reports for Annual Report Due**
- Dec. 13 – Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols**
- Dec. 17 – “Blue Christmas” service at 5:00 p.m.**
- Dec. 21 – Winter Solstice Holy Hike 3:15 – 4:37 p.m.**
- Jan. 19 – Bishop Sally French visits: Communicants confirmed & received**





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Pat Peacock, Junior Warden

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Matt Starr

#### **Vestry Class of 2025**

Judy Contreras

Bruce Hillyer

Bill Kehr

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