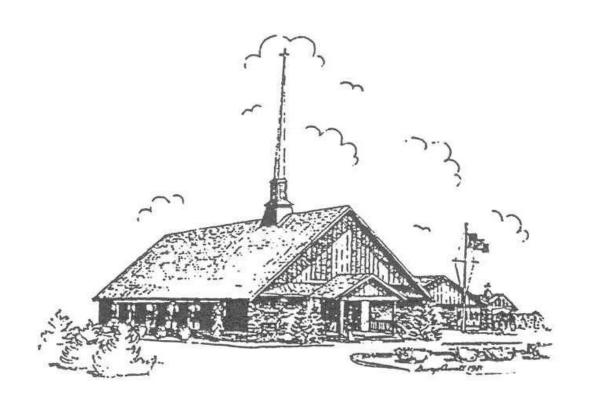
# The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost Proper 27



The Episcopal Church of The Holy Innocents 09 November, 2025 ~ 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.

**Prelude** 

Voluntary

Please use this time for quiet prayer and contemplation

The Parish Notices

#### THE WORD OF GOD

Entrance Hymn #574 Before Thy Throne, O God, We Kneel ST. PETERSBURG

# **Opening Acclamation**

BCP, p. 355

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father Son and Holy Spirit

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. 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. *All: Amen*.

Gloria in excelsis S-280 (All sing)

Robert Powell

# The Collect of the Day:

BCP, p. 236

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

In the second year of King Darius, in the seventh month, on the twenty-first day of the month, the word of the LORD came by the prophet Haggai, saying: Speak now to Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and to the remnant of the people, and say, Who is left among you that saw this house in its former glory? How does it look to you now? Is it not in your sight as nothing? Yet now take courage, O Zerubbabel, says the LORD; take courage, O Joshua, son of Jehozadak, the high priest; take courage, all you people of the land, says the LORD; work, for I am with you, says the LORD of hosts, according to the promise that I made you when you came out of Egypt. My spirit abides among you; do not fear. For thus says the LORD of hosts: Once again, in a little while, I will shake the heavens and the earth and the sea and the dry land; and I will shake all the nations, so that the treasure of all nations shall come, and I will fill this house with splendor, says the LORD of hosts. The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, says the LORD of hosts. The latter splendor of this house shall be greater than the former, says the LORD of hosts; and in this place I will give prosperity, says the LORD of hosts.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
All Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 145:1-5, 18-22

BCP, p. 801

- 1 I will exalt you, O God my King, \* and bless your Name for ever and ever.
- 2 Every day will I bless you \* and praise your Name for ever and ever.
- 3 Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; \* there is no end to his greatness.
- 4 One generation shall praise your works to another \* and shall declare your power.

- 5 I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty \* and all your marvelous works.
- 18 The LORD is righteous in all his ways \* and loving in all his works.
- 19 The LORD is near to those who call upon him, \* to all who call upon him faithfully.
- 20 He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; \* he hears their cry and helps them.
- 21 The LORD preserves all those who love him, \* but he destroys all the wicked.
- 22 My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD; \* let all flesh bless his holy Name for ever and ever.

# The Epistle

#### 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

**Sequence Hymn LEVAS #213** (please stand) Children of the Heav'nly Father (omit v. 3) Swedish Folk Melody

# The Holy Gospel

Luke 20:27-38

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke People Glory to you, Lord Christ

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus 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."

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Peter De Franco

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 (Common Worship)

(The people may stand or kneel)

*Celebrant* Surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us make our prayer in the power of the Spirit, looking to Jesus the pioneer of our faith.

*Leader* That with the noble fellowship of the prophets we may discern the signs of your kingdom in our midst, we pray to you, O Lord: *People* **Lord**, **graciously hear us**.

Leader That with the glorious company of the apostles we may proclaim your gospel throughout the world, in the company of Sarah, Archbishop of Cantebury-designate; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Sally, our Bishop; Erin, our Newly Called Rector and Peter, our Supply Priest we pray to you, O Lord:

People Lord, graciously hear us.

*Leader* That with the white-robed army of martyrs we may be ready to suffer for the truth's sake, we pray to you, O Lord:

People Lord, graciously hear us.

Leader That with all who are anointed by your Spirit we may bring good news to the poor and freedom to the oppressed, remembering especially Colleen our Mayor, Philip our Governor, Mikie, our Governor–Elect and Donald, our President and all who serve as police officers and fire fighters we pray to you, O Lord: *People* Lord, graciously hear us.

*Leader* That with the saints in light we may bind up the brokenhearted and comfort all who mourn, and entrust to your care all on our Parish Prayer List we pray to you, O Lord:

People Lord, graciously hear us.

*Leader* That within the whole company of Christ's pilgrim people we may come to the inheritance of the saints in glory, remembering those who have died (*Pause in silence*) we pray to you, O Lord:

People Lord, graciously hear us.

*Leader* In communion with all the saints, let us commend the world to the mercy and protection of God.

People To you, O Lord, our God.

#### **Confession and Absolution**

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

Confession BCP p. 360

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*.

Absolution BCP p. 360

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 HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem

Sanctuary

Lloyd Larson

**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 B

BCP, p. 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 God 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. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. 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 (1932)

*Celebrant* 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,

All We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

*Celebrant* 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. *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

The Celebrant breaks the Consecrated Bread. The congregation observes a time of silence.

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

David Hurd

(All baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion.)

**Music at Communion** 

**LEVAS #201** (all sing) I've Got Peace Like a River

**Traditional Spiritual** 

Postcommunion Prayer (Please stand)

BCP, p. 366

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**

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen**.

**Hymn #372** *Praise to the Living God!* LEONI

Dismissal BCP, p. 366

**Postlude** Voluntary

Please join us in Martin Hall for Coffee & Fellowship!

# **Serving Today**

**Crucifer** ~ *Bill Kehr* **Lector** ~ *Kay DeCicco* 

Ushers ~ Mike DeCicco, Melissa Wall Chalice Bearer ~ Gail Jacobsen

# Parish Prayer List – November 9, 2025

If you need to add or remove a name, please contact Lisa Halpin, our Parish Administrator by Wednesday, November 12<sup>th</sup>.

Lara Sparks Deitz Mary Ann Crewdson Dennis
Christian Balint Christine Hendricks Warren Lamon
Ann White Pierro Family Lovas Family

Debbie & Joe Reising Connie Joe

Peg Appleget Dcn. Judy Lynne Weidmann

Meg Neff Rob Meyer Tino

Melanie Harman Pat Kathy Rice

JessieRich CashelCharles SullivanDoug HunterJoAnn KingEllis Barbieri

**Judy Hamilton** Cindy Wood Diane Ray M. Gia Jeannine Phil Frank Fran Iozzi Bill Bentley Johnny Johnson, Jr. Dr. John Nellie Riley Mike Phillips Scott Adam Baulderstone Chris Mercer Katie Gillis

Frank, III Will Locovare Ollie

Milten Giannico	Mary Jane Mannherz	Bill O'Connell
Glenn Servetah	Mary K.	Pat Strocchia
George Balch	Barbara Wheeler	Devin Hone
Barbara	Rick Rosenbaum	Flood Family

Kay DiCicco Family & Friends of TJ Patton

## Those serving in the military and other dangerous professions:

Paul Bailey, Justin A. Dumhart, Joseph Alexander, Danny Melega, Andrew Wall Brandan White

**Birthdays:** Gail Steiner Anderson (11/10), Michael DeCicco (11/11)

#### WEEKLY ONLINE CALENDAR November 10 – November 14

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10 – Mon	Morning Prayer	9:00 AM
	Chair Yoga	9:15 AM-10:15 AM
11 - Tues	Ladies Exercise Group	9:15 AM-10:15 AM
12 Wed	Sandwich Ministry	9:30 AM-11:00 AM
	Tai Chi Class in MH	11:00 AM
13 - Thurs	Ladies Exercise Group	9:15 AM-10:15 AM
	Book/Bible Study	2:00 PM
	"Clam Diggers" AA Group	7:30 PM
	Compline (FB)	9:00 PM
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#### **CHRISTMAS SHOE BOXES**

The church is organizing a Christmas Shoe Box event for the children of All Saints Episcopal Church in Lakewood. Ruth McLaughlin purchased 30 plastic shoe boxes and they are available in the Parish Hall, along with a list of possible little gifts. Ages of children range from toddlers to 18 with more boys than girls. Boxes will be collected on December 7.

## TAI CHI CLASSES

Holy Innocents' will be offering Tai Chi classes in Martin Hall, Wednesday's at 9:30 am, (except the 2nd Wednesday of the month, class will be at 11:00 am, as to not interfere with the Sandwich Ministry). Tai Chi is slow, gentle body movements to enhance mind, body and spirit and it is great for balance. For more information, please contact the church office at 609-492-7571

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