

Christ the King

The Last Sunday After
Pentecost



November 21, 2021

We Gather for Worship

Opening Hymn: #450 *All hail the power of Jesus' Name* *Please stand & sing as you are able.*

Opening Sentences

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Officiant: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. *Philippians 1:2*
I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord." *Psalm 122:1*

Confession

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Please sit or kneel.

Officiant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.**

Officiant: Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

Invitatory

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Please stand as you are able.

Officiant: O Lord, open our lips;

People: **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise. Alleluia!**

Officiant & People: **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

Venite Psalm 95:1-7

Officiant: Come, let us sing to the Lord; *

People: **let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.**

Officiant: Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *

People: **and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.**

Officiant: For the Lord is a great God, *

People: **and a great King above all gods.**

Officiant: In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *

People: **and the heights of the hills are his also.**

Officiant: The sea is his, for he made it, *

People: **and his hands have molded the dry land.**

Officiant: Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *

People: **and kneel before the Lord our Maker.**

Officiant: For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *

People: **Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!**

Antiphon 2

Officiant: Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness:

People: **Come let us adore him.**

Officiant: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

People: **as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

We Hear God's Word

First Lesson: 2 Samuel 23:1-7

Please remain seated.

Reader: A reading from the second book of Samuel.

These are the last words of David: 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: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 132:1-19

Reader: LORD, remember David, *

People: **and all the hardships he endured;**

Reader: How he swore an oath to the LORD *

People: **and vowed a vow to the Mighty One of Jacob:**

Reader: "I will not come under the roof of my house, *

People: **nor climb up into my bed;**

Reader: I will not allow my eyes to sleep, *

People: **nor let my eyelids slumber;**

Reader: Until I find a place for the LORD, *

People: **a dwelling for the Mighty One of Jacob."**

Reader: "The ark! We heard it was in Ephratah; *

People: **we found it in the fields of Jearim.**

Reader: Let us go to God's dwelling place; *

People: **let us fall upon our knees before his footstool."**

Reader: Arise, O LORD, into your resting-place, *

People: **you and the ark of your strength.**

Reader: Let your priests be clothed with righteousness; *

People: **let your faithful people sing with joy.**

Reader: For your servant David's sake, *

People: **do not turn away the face of your Anointed.**

Reader: The LORD has sworn an oath to David; *

People: **in truth, he will not break it:**

Reader: "A son, the fruit of your body *
People: **will I set upon your throne.**
Reader: If your children keep my covenant and my testimonies that I shall teach them, *
People: **their children will sit upon your throne for evermore."**
Reader: For the LORD has chosen Zion; *
People: **he has desired her for his habitation:**
Reader: "This shall be my resting-place for ever; *
People: **here will I dwell, for I delight in her.**
Reader: I will surely bless her provisions, *
People: **and satisfy her poor with bread.**
Reader: I will clothe her priests with salvation, *
People: **and her faithful people will rejoice and sing.**
Reader: There will I make the horn of David flourish; *
People: **I have prepared a lamp for my Anointed.**
Reader: As for his enemies, I will clothe them with shame; *
People: **but as for him, his crown will shine."**

Second Lesson: Revelation 1:4b-8

Reader: A reading from the book of Revelation.
 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: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn: #482

Lord of all hopefulness

Please stand and sing.

Gospel: John 18:33-37

Please remain standing as you are able.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Savior 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."
Reader: Alleluia! Alleluia! Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful people and kindle in them the fire of your love.
People: **Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia.**

Homily: Pam Lipscomb

Apostles' Creed

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Please stand as you are able.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

We Pray

Lord's Prayer

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Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Officiant: Let us pray.

Officiant & 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.**

Suffrages: Set B

BCP Page 97-98; *Please be seated.*

Officiant: Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

People:. **Govern and uphold them, now and always.**

Officiant:. Day by day we bless you;

People:. **We praise your Name for ever.**

Officiant:. Lord, keep us from all sin today;

People:. **Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.**

Officiant:. Lord, show us your love and mercy;

People:. **For we put our trust in you.**

Officiant:. In you, Lord, is our hope;

People:. **And we shall never hope in vain.**

Collect of the Day

The collect prayer "collects" the themes from the various readings for the day.

Officiant: 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; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Collect for Sundays

Officiant: O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Collect for Guidance

Officiant: Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Collect for Mission 2

Officiant: O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayers of the People

Please sit or kneel.

Reader: Bound together in Christ in the communion of the Holy Spirit, let us pray with one heart and mind to God our Father.

Reader: For peace from things that separate us from one another and for our salvation.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Reader: For the peace of the whole world, for the welfare of the holy churches of God, especially...

People: **Diocesan Center and staff; Diocese of Virginia; The Episcopal Church.**

Reader: For this holy gathering and for those who enter with faith, reverence, and fear of God.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Reader: For...

People: **Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Poulson, our Bishop; Tom, our clergy; Tim & Pat, our wardens; vestry, delegates, all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God. Lord, have mercy.**

Reader: For the world and its leaders, our nation and its people. We pray for our leaders, especially...

People: **Joe, our President; Kamala, our Vice-president; Markwayne, our Congressman; James & Jim, our Senators; Kevin, our Governor; and Marlon, our Mayor. Lord, have mercy.**

Reader: For prisoners, the oppressed, all those in need or suffering, especially...

People: **Barbara & Family, Blackwell Family, Brad, Brewer Family, James & Shirley, Mike & Betty, Rogers Family, Lubin Family, Al, Kenneth, Pat & Joe, Quinn & Nancy, Prisca, PJ, John & Sharon, Emma, Ronnie, John, Troy, Sarah, Ark of Faith, all emergency responders, United States Military, and those whose suffering is known only to God.**

Reader: We pray for those who have died, (*especially...*)

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Reader: For ourselves, our families, and those we love. We pray for those in our parish, especially...

People: **Lisa, Mark, Ken, Judi, Cynthia, Henry, Nick.**

Reader: Also those who are traveling, (*especially...*)

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Reader: Remembering our most blessed Mary and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.

People: **To you, O Lord.**

Reader: Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Peace

Please stand as you are able.

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Greet one another in the name of Christ. Please return to your seats when you hear the bell.

Announcements, Birthdays & Anniversary Prayers

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Welcome to our guests today. If you are new to Grace for the first time or even if you have been here once or twice before, please fill out a visitor card and put it in the plate. We promise not to harass you, but we would like to include you on our weekly email broadcasts and other event notifications. Thank you for the blessing of your presence today.

For a Birthday

Officiant: O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant N. as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. . **Amen.**

Offertory Hymn: #477

All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine

Please sing.

We Go Out To Do Our Work

Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Officiant: Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Sending

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Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Officiant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

2 Corinthians 13:14

Closing Hymn: #376

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee

Please stand and sing.

Dismissal

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Officiant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Poinsettias for the 2021 Christmas Altar



**Please make check, payable to: Grace Episcopal Church
with altar guild on the memo line and place it, along
with this form, into the offering plate or bring/mail it to
the Parish Office.**

Name of Donor: _____

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

**All donations must be received in the office no later than
Monday, December 13th, in order to be listed in the Christmas bulletin.**

YOU ARE INVITED TO



Grace Muskogee's Thanksgiving Feast

Please join us in the
parish hall
immediatly following
the service today for
food and fellowship.

All are welcome!



ON THE ALTAR 11/21:

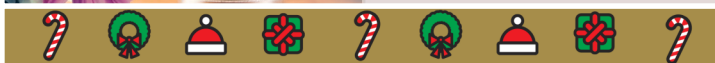
Altar decorations today are
in celebration of the
Thanksgiving holiday.

Communion Wine for 2021
is given by Mike Alberty in
loving memory of his parents.

Bread today is given in loving
memory of Em & Joe Basolo by
Nancy Green.

THANKS TO THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK:

Officiant..... Pam Lipscomb
1st Reader..... Cindy Rogers
2nd Reader..... Jean Lewis
Head Usher/Greeter..... Ron Rogers
Altar Guild..... Laura Wickizer &
Pat Wilcox



Jingle Jam

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS OUTREACH
DECEMBER 12 @ 5:30 PM

SPONSORS NEEDED

How to Help:



DINNER SPONSORS

Feed a family Christmas dinner with a donation of only
\$30. Our goal is to have 250 Christmas dinners sponsored.



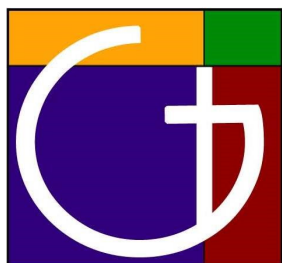
NEW, UNWRAPPED TOYS

Donations of unwrapped toys - our goal is 500. We want to
send every child who attends Jingle Jam home with a gift.



NOVEMBER VESTRY
PERSON OF THE
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