

# November 24, 2024

Christ the King Sunday Holy Eucharist Rite II - Eucharistic Prayer C



Welcome to
St. David's Episcopal Church



#### WELCOME VISITOR!

Welcome to St. David's! We are so glad that you have joined us today.

Is this your first time at St. David's or any Episcopal church? Our services change somewhat from week to week and from season to season, but in general this is what you can expect on a typical Sunday.

- We acknowledge our sins and ask for forgiveness, out loud and together. This is followed by an assurance that all our sins are indeed forgiven through the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- We look to Holy Scripture for guidance and usually hear four Bible passages; one from the Old Testament, one from the Book of Psalms, one from the New Testament, and one from the Gospels. Members of the congregation generally read all except the Gospel, which is read by the Priest, and the sermon is normally based on one of the Scripture passages.
- We declare our faith, publicly, speaking the words of either the Nicene Creed or the Apostles' Creed.
- We do a lot of praying, out loud and together. Many of the prayers, drawn from the Book of Common Prayer, are led by members of the congregation rather than clergy.
- Most Sundays we receive Holy Communion as a tangible reminder that Christ died for all and all are welcome to receive communion at St. David's.

Episcopalians are comfortable with a wide variety of physical expressions of devotion during worship. You may see people bowing, making the sign of the cross, kneeling or standing; none of these gestures are expected of visitors. It's a personal choice.

In general, we sit to listen and learn, we stand to praise God in song and to affirm our faith, and we kneel or sit (or stand!) to pray. Again, it's a personal choice. You should feel free to participate in whatever way is comfortable for you.

You will find three important books at each pew: a black Holy Bible, a blue hymnal, and a red Episcopal Book of Common Prayer. You are invited to spend a little time in reading or reflection. Aside from the Sermon, all of the service, compiled from these three sources, is contained in this leaflet. All you need to do is follow along and join in.

Confused and need a buddy? Any of us will be happy to help you find your way.

There are Connect Cards in front of you; please feel free to use them to communicate if you like, or linger after service so we can greet you personally.

Again, we are glad to have you with us today and hope to see you back at St. David's soon.

# The Word of God

# Hymn in Procession CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS, vv. 1-2, 4-5 (Diademata)

Hymnal 494

- I) Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne; Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own; awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.
- 2) Crown him the Son of God before the worlds began, and ye, who tread where he hath trod, crown him the Son of man; who every grief hath known that wrings the human breast, and takes and bears them for his own, that all in him may rest.
- 4) Crown him of lords the Lord, who over all doth reign, who once on earth, the incarnate Word, for ransomed sinners slain, now lives in realms of light, where saints with angels sing their songs before him day and night, their God, Redeemer, King.

5) Crown him the Lord of heaven, enthroned in worlds above;
Crown him the King, to whom is given the wondrous name of Love.
Crown him with many crowns, as thrones before him fall, crown him, ye kings, with many crowns, for he is King of all.

The people standing, the Celebrant says:

**BCP 355** 

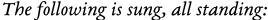
Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

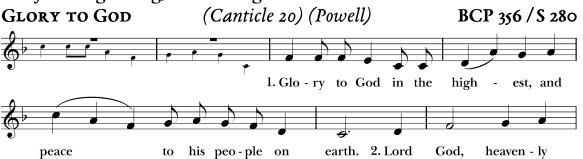
People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

### The Celebrant may say:

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*.







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### The Collect of the Day:

**BCP 357** 

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

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 Lessons

#### **Old Testament:**

2 Samuel 23:1-7

A Reading from the Second book of Samuel.

Now 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:

<sup>2</sup>The spirit of the LORD speaks through me, his word is upon my tongue.

<sup>3</sup>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,
4is 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?

<sup>6</sup>But the godless are all like thorns that are thrown away; for they cannot be picked up with the hand;

<sup>7</sup>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.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Psalter: Psalm 132:1-19

<sup>1</sup>LORD, remember David, \*

and all the hardships he endured;

- <sup>2</sup>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;
- <sup>4</sup>I will not allow my eyes to sleep, \*
  nor let my eyelids slumber;
- '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.
- 7Let us go to God's dwelling place; \*

  let us fall upon our knees before his footstool."
- <sup>8</sup>Arise, O LORD, into your resting-place, \* you and the ark of your strength.
- <sup>9</sup>Let your priests be clothed with righteousness; \* let your faithful people sing with joy.
- <sup>10</sup>For your servant David's sake, \*
  do not turn away the face of your Anointed.
- "The LORD has sworn an oath to David; \*
  in truth, he will not break it:

- <sup>12</sup>"A son, the fruit of your body \* will I set upon your throne.
- <sup>13</sup>If your children keep my covenant and my testimonies that I shall teach them, \* their children will sit upon your throne for evermore."
- <sup>14</sup>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.
- <sup>16</sup>I will surely bless her provisions, \* and satisfy her poor with bread.
- <sup>17</sup>I will clothe her priests with salvation, \*

  and her faithful people will rejoice and sing.
- <sup>18</sup>There will I make the horn of David flourish; \* *I have prepared a lamp for my Anointed*.
- <sup>19</sup>As for his enemies, I will clothe them with shame; \* but as for him, his crown will shine."

#### **New Testament:**

A Reading from the Revelation of John.

<sup>4b</sup>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,

<sup>5</sup>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,

<sup>6</sup>and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father,

to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

<sup>7</sup>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.

<sup>8</sup>"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.

People: Thanks be to God.

# Gradual Hymn vv.1, 3-5 ALLELUIA! SING TO JESUS

(Hyfrydol)

Hymnal 460

- Alleluia! sing to Jesus!
   his the scepter, his the throne;
   Alleluia! his the triumph,
   his the victory alone;
   Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood;
   Jesus out of every nation hath redeemed us by his blood.
- 3) Alleluia! bread of Heaven,
  Thou on earth our food, our stay!
  Alleluia! here the sinful
  flee to thee from day to day:
  Intercessor, friend of sinners,
  earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
  where the songs of all the sinless
  sweep across the crystal sea.
- 4) Alleluia! King eternal, thee the Lord of lords we own:
  Alleluia! born of Mary, earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne: thou within the veil hast entered, robed in flesh, our great High Priest: thou on earth both Priest and Victim in the eucharistic feast.
- 5) Alleluia! sing to Jesus! his the scepter, his the throne;

Alleluia! his the triumph,
his the victory alone;
Hark! the songs of holy Zion
thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation
hath redeemed us by his blood.

### The Holy Gospel:

John 18:33-37

Please stand.

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

<sup>33</sup>Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him,

"Are you the King of the Jews?"

<sup>34</sup>Jesus answered,

"Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?"

<sup>35</sup>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?"

<sup>36</sup>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."

<sup>37</sup>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."

**BCP 358** 

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon: The Reverend Jeff Wallace

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.

Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church; *That we all may be one.* 

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; especially Sean, our presiding bishop; Ruth, our bishop; and Jeff, our priest;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; for Joe, our president; Donald, our president-elect; Henry, our governor; Rob, our town manager; and David, our mayor, and for all in authority; *That there may be justice and peace on the earth.* 

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest; especially Coles Jackson, Pink Patrick, Mike Assef, William Green, Janet Clark, and Druscilla Walker. Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, especially Diocesan Staff of the Diocese of South Carolina; The Anglican Church of South America; the congregations of St. David's Anglican Church and St. David's Episcopal Church; the staff and families of St. David's Episcopal School & Daycare; and those for whom prayers have been requested.

Please see the Prayer List Insert.

We remember also our shut-ins, chronically ill, and those who live alone, and any you wish to name aloud or in your heart.

Members of the congregation may add their own petitions or thanksgivings.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

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The Celebrant says:

**BCP 359** 

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

I John 1: 8, 9

The Deacon or Celebrant says:

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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 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

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

People: And also with you.

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

Announcements

Besides being Christ the King Sunday, today we also celebrate the blessing of Ron Stafford's prosthetic leg and a blessing of Ron himself for this new chapter in his life-story.

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# The Holy Communion

The Celebrant says:

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Ephesians 5:2

#### Offertory Hymn

JOYFUL, JOYFUL, WE ADORE THEE (Hymn to Joy)

Hymnal 376

I) Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love; hearts unfold like flowers before thee, praising thee, their sun above.

Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away; giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day. 2) All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heaven reflect thy rays, stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.

Field and forest, vale and mountain, blooming meadow, flashing sea, chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.

3) Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest, well-spring of the joy of living, ocean-depth of happy rest!

Thou our Father, Christ our Brother: all who live in love are thine; teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

#### The Great Thanksgiving

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.

Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds:

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise. Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

# By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

# Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:





#### The Celebrant continues:

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

The Celebrant continues:

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. *AMEN*.

#### The Lord's Prayer

BCP 363

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say;

People and Celebrant:

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, forever and ever. Amen.

### The Breaking of the Bread

**BCP 364** 

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

#### The Celebrant says:

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

All are welcome to receive the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist.

You may decline the bread and/or the wine by crossing your arms over your chest when offered to you at the altar. You may also choose to remain seated in your pew.

If you require a gluten-free wafer or if you find it difficult to get to the altar and would like to receive communion at your seat, please let an usher know.

The Elements of Bread and Wine are distributed.

After Communion, the Celebrant says: Let us pray.

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 Bishop when present, or the Priest, blesses the people.

# Recessional Hymn

ALL PRAISE TO THEE, FOR THOU, O KING DIVINE

Hymnal 477

(Engelberg)

- 1) All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine, didst yield the glory that of right was thine, that in our darkened hearts thy grace might shine. Alleluia!
- 2) Thou cam'st to us in lowliness of thought; by thee the outcast and the poor were sought; and by thy death was God's salvation wrought. Alleluia!

- 3) Let this mind be in us which was in thee, who wast a servant that we might be free, humbling thyself to death on Calvary.
  Alleluia!
- 4) Wherefore, by God's eternal purpose, thou art high exalted o'er all creatures now, and given the Name to which all knees shall bow. Alleluia!
- 5) Let every tongue confess with one accord in heaven and earth that Jesus Christ is Lord; and God the Father be by all adored. Alleluia! Amen.

#### Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

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#### **Announcements:**

- ◆ Today, following the worship service, we are having an Open House at the Rectory, at 809 State Road. All are invited!
- ◆ Rehab Center of Cheraw, a 104-bed skilled nursing facility located at 1150 State Road in Cheraw, has asked that we consider donating small personal items for folks staying there who have no family nearby. Sherry Rivers, our contact, says things like socks, throw blankets, shampoo and body wash and similar gifts are always welcome. If we can have our gifts to them before **December 18**, they'll have them wrapped and ready for their **Christmas Party**. If you have questions, call **Sherry Rivers**
- ◆ The Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance Council is having a Christmas Banquet at Fisher Hill Community Baptist Church on Saturday, December 7. The doors open at 5:30pm. Fisher Hill is at 3282 West Market Street in Cheraw. Tickets are \$25 each, and Pastor Jeff has some tickets. You can also contact Pastor Johnnie McLendon at 843.910.1084.

at 843.537.2060, and during the long recording, press zero for Operator.

◆ As a preparation for the BBQ fundraiser with First Presbyterian Church on February 8, we will have a trial run on December 14. There will be a small amount of BBQ for sale by the pound after a Covered Dish BBQ Lunch following our church service on December 15. The fundraiser with First Presbyterian Church will be held on February 8. Part of the proceeds from this will go to the McArn Food Bank and to Pathfinders. More details to come.



#### Welcome!

Regardless of whether or not you regularly attend here, we are happy to have you as one of us today! Feel free to come up close, and kneel before our Lord's altar and receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. If you need a gluten-free wafer, then please indicate this to one of the ushers.

Of course, if you prefer to remain seated during Eucharist, we are fine with that as well. We merely hope that your experience with us today is divinely positive and truly meaningful.

As Priest-in-Charge, I would be glad for us to have a conversation during the coffee hour or to have a scheduled appointment for another time. I love answering questions about why we do what we do and about who we are as Episcopalian Christians. If you have a confidential matter to voice, I can be trusted as a priest and as a certified grief counselor.

Again, I am very happy that you have chosen to be with us this day. Feel free to contact me personally. On Sunday afternoons, I am only available for pastoral emergencies.

Blessings, Father Jeff+

#### St. David's Episcopal Church Vestry

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