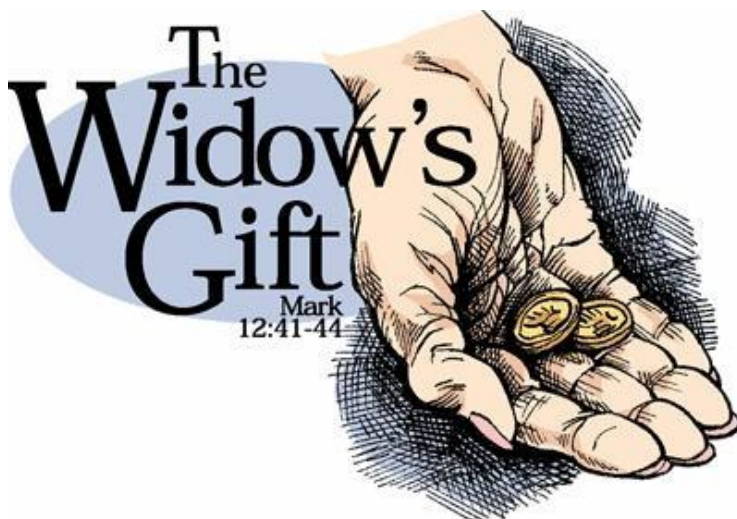


# *Holy Comforter Episcopal Church*

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 10, 2024 • 10:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist Rite II



*Our Mission*

*“Living Our Faith by Serving God and Others”*

The Reverend Dr. Allen Hill, Rector



PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL

*Come, Ye Thankful People, Come*

CLH 591

1. Come, ye thank - ful peo - ple, come; raise the song of har - vest home;  
 2. All the world is God's own field, fruit un - to His praise to yield;  
 3. For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take His har - vest home;  
 4. E - ven so, Lord, quick - ly come to Thy fi - nal har - vest-home;

all is safe - ly gath - ered in ere the win - ter storms be - gin.  
 wheat and tares to - geth - er sown, un - to joy or sor - row grown.  
 from His field shall in that day all of - fens - es purge a - way.  
 gath - er Thou Thy peo - ple in, free from sor - row, free from sin.

God, our Mak - er, doth pro - vide for our wants to be sup - plied.  
 First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall ap - pear;  
 Give His an - gels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,  
 There for - ev - er pu - ri - fied, in Thy pres - ence to a - bide.

Come to God's own tem - ple, come; raise the song of har - vest home.  
 Lord of har - vest, grant that we whole - some grain and pure may be.  
 but the fruit - ful ears to store in His gar - ner ev - er - more.  
 Come, with all Thine an - gels come; raise the glo - r'ous har - vest home.

# LITURGY OF THE WORD

## OPENING ACCLAMATION *(standing)*

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

**People** And blessed be His kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**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.**

## SONG OF PRAISE

### *All Things Bright and Beautiful*

CLH 243

*Refrain*

All things bright and beau - ti - ful, all crea - tures great and small,

*Fine*

all things wise and won - der - ful: The Lord God made them all.

1. Each lit - tle flow'r that o - pens, each lit - tle bird that sings,  
 2. The pur - ple - head - ed moun - tain, the riv - er run - ning by,  
 3. The cold wind in the win - ter, the pleas - ant sum - mer sun,  
 5. He gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell

He made their glow - ing col - ors, He made their ti - ny wings.  
 the sun - set and the morn - ing, that bright - ens up the sky.  
 the ripe fruits in the gar - den: He made them ev - 'ry one.  
 how great is God Al - might - y, who has made all things well.

D.C.

WORDS: *Hymns for Little Children*, Cecil Frances Humphreys Alexander, 1848  
 MUSIC: *Royal Oak*, 17th c. English melody; arr. Martin Shaw, 1915

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

**People** And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

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.**

## CHILDREN'S BLESSING

## THE FIRST READING

1 Kings 17:8-16

The word of the LORD came to Elijah, saying, “Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you.” So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink.” As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.” But she said, “As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die.” Elijah said to her, “Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. For thus says the LORD the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the LORD sends rain on the earth.” She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

People Thanks be to God

*Silence-What indeed is God saying?*

## PSALM 146 *(Read Responsively)*

1 Hallelujah

Praise the LORD, O my soul!

I will praise the LORD as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

**2 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth,  
for there is no help in them.**

3 When they breathe their last, they return to earth,  
and in that day their thoughts perish.

**4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help!  
whose hope is in the LORD their God;**

5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them;  
who keeps his promise for ever;

**6 Who gives justice to those who are oppressed,  
and food to those who hunger.**

7 The LORD sets the prisoners free;  
the LORD opens the eyes of the blind;  
the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;

**8 The LORD loves the righteous;  
the LORD cares for the stranger;  
he sustains the orphan and widow,  
but frustrates the way of the wicked.**

9 The LORD shall reign for ever,  
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.  
Hallelujah!

## THE EPISTLE

## Hebrews 9:24-28

Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

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People Thanks be to God.

*Silence-What indeed is God saying?*

## SEQUENCE HYMN

## *As Those of Old Their First Fruits Brought*

## Hymn 705

1 As those of old their first fruits brought of vine - yard, flock, and  
2 A world in need now sum - mons us to la - bor, love, and  
3 With grat - i - tude and hum - ble trust we bring our best to

Continued →

field to God, the giv - er of all good, the  
 give; to make our life an offer - ing to  
 thee to serve thy cause and share thy love with

source of boun-teous yield; so we to - day our  
 God that all may live; the Church of Christ is  
 all hu - man - i - ty. O thou who gav - est

first fruits bring, the wealth of this good land, of  
 call - ing us to make the dream come true: a  
 us thy - self in Je - sus Christ thy Son, help

farm and mar - ket, shop and home, of mind, and heart, and hand.  
 world re-deemed by Christ-like love; all life in Christ made new.  
 us to give our - selves each day un - til life'swork is done.

Words: Frank von Christerson (b. 1900), alt.

Music: *Forest Green*, English melody; adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

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## THE HOLY GOSPEL

**Mark 12:38-44**

*Reader* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Mark.

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

As Jesus taught, he said, “Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows’ houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.”

He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”

*Reader* The Gospel of the Lord.

**People** **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**THE SERMON** *(Please be seated)*

**Melanie Salsgiver**

*Silence*

**THE NICENE CREED** *(Please stand)*

**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.**

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE – FORM IV**

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation: especially Celeste, David, Walter, Mae, Cynthia, Lee & Bonnie, Herb & Rhonda, Russell, Marcie, Erin, Sterling, Marcie, Jan, Jackie, Faye, Roberta, Maria, Anita, Valerie, Suzy, Patsy, Sam, Elizabeth, Jess, Bonita, Patricia, and Kevin & Ashley.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

## CONFESSION OF SIN

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

*Silence*

**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.**

*Celebrant*

†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** *(Standing)*

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

**People** And also with you.

## OFFERTORY

*Celebrant*

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

1. Je - sus calls us; o'er the tu - mult of our life's wild, rest-less sea;  
 2. As of old Saint An-drew heard it by the Gal - i - le - an lake,  
 3. Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship of the vain world's gold - en store,  
 4. In our joys and in our sor - rows, days of toil and hours of ease,  
 5. Je - sus calls us! By Thy mer - cies, Sav - ior, may we hear Thy call,

day by day His sweet voice sound - eth, say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low Me."  
 turned from home and toil and kin - dred, leav - ing all for Je - sus' sake.  
 from each i - dol that would keep us, say - ing, "Chris - tian, love Me more."  
 still He calls in cares and plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love Me more than these."  
 give our hearts to Thine o - be - dience, serve and love Thee best of all.

WORDS: Cecil Frances Humphreys Alexander, 1852

MUSIC: *Restoration*, from *The Southern Harmony and Musical Companion*, William Walker, 1835

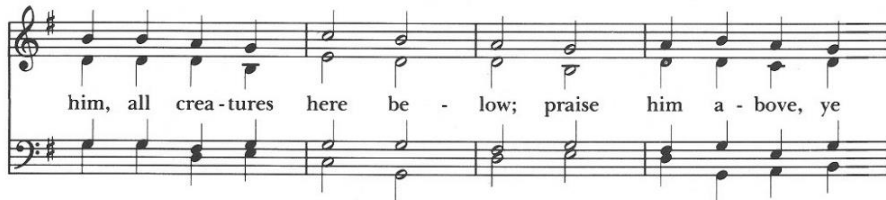
# LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A *(Standing)*

### DOXOLOGY



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise



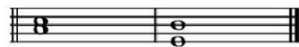
him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye



heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.



A - men.



*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.**

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 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**      (*All Sing*)

**S-125**

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Setting: From *A Community Mass*; Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

*The people stand or kneel, as able.*

*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:

*Celebrant and People*

**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. **Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

Music by Clare C. Toy

Our Fa-ther, who art in hea-ven,  
Hal-lo-wed be thy name! Thy king-dom come, thy will be done, on  
earth as it is in hea-ven: Give us this day our dai-ly bread, and for-  
give us our tres-pas-ses, as we for-give those who tres-pas-sa-against us;  
and lead us not in-to temp-ta-tion, but de-li-ver us from



e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the po - wer and the glo - ry, for - e - ver and e - ver! A - men!

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### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us;

**People** **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*Celebrant* We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**People** **Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.**

*Celebrant* 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.

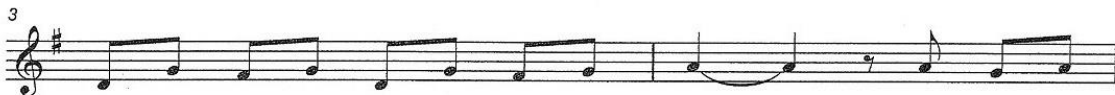
**People** **Thanks be to God.**

*All baptized Christian believers are invited to receive Holy Communion. All others are encouraged to come forward to receive a blessing. To receive this option, please cross your arms over your chest in front of the priest.*

Words and Music by  
Bryan Jeffery Leech



1 We gath - er here \_\_\_\_\_ in Je - sus' name, \_\_\_\_\_ His love is  
 (2. He joins us) here, \_\_\_\_\_ He breaks the bread, \_\_\_\_\_ The Lord who  
 (3. We'll gath - er) soon \_\_\_\_\_ where an - gels sing; \_\_\_\_\_ We'll see the



bum - ing in our hearts like liv - ing flame. \_\_\_\_\_ For through the  
 pours the cup is ris - en from the dead; \_\_\_\_\_ The One we  
 glo - ry of our Lord and com - ing King. \_\_\_\_\_ Now we an -



lov - ing Son \_\_\_\_\_ the Fa - ther makes us one; \_\_\_\_\_ Come, take the  
 love the most \_\_\_\_\_ is now our gra - cious host; \_\_\_\_\_ Come, take the  
 ti - ci - pate \_\_\_\_\_ the feast for which we wait; \_\_\_\_\_ Come, take the



bread; Come, drink the wine; Come, share the Lord.  
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# I Give You My Heart

PSB 100

Words and Music by  
Reuben Morgan



5  
This is my de-sire, to hon - our You.

9  
Lord, with all my heart, I wor ship You.

13  
All I have with - in me, I give You praise.

17  
All that I a - dore, is in You.



21  
Lord I give You my heart, I give You my soul, I

24  
live for You a-lone. Ev-'ry breath that I take, ev-'ry mo-ment I'm a-wake,

*Last time to Coda*

27  
1 Lord have Your way in me. 2 have Your way in me. *D.S. al Coda*

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⊕ Coda

32

have Your way in me.

35

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## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (*All stand*)

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**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.**

## THE BLESSING †

*Celebrant* The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

**People** Amen.

1 God him-self is with us; let us all a - dore him,  
 2 Glad - ly, Lord, we of - fer thine to be for ev - er,  
 4 Come, a - bid with - in me; let my soul, like Ma - ry,

and with awe ap - pear be - fore him. God is here with -  
 soul and life and each en - deav - or. Help us to sur -  
 be thine earth - ly sanc - tu - ar - y. Come, in - dwell - ing

in us; souls in si - lence fear him, hum - bly, fer - vent -  
 rend - er earth's de - ceit - ful trea - sures, pride of life, and  
 Spi - rit, with trans - fi - guring splen - dor; love and hon - or

ly draw near him. Now his own who have known  
 sin - ful plea - sures; thou a - lone shalt be known  
 will I ren - der. Where I go here be - low,

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God, in wor-ship low - ly, yield their spi - rits whol - ly.  
 Lord of all our be - ing, life's true way de - cree - ing.  
 let me bow be - fore thee, know thee, and a - dore thee.

Words: Gerhardt Tersteegen (1697-1769); tr. *Hymnal 1940*, alt.;  
 st. 3, tr. Henry Sloane Coffin (1877-1954)  
 Music: Tysk, from *Psalm und Choralbuch*, 1719

## DISMISSAL

*Celebrant* Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
**All** **Thanks be to God.**



*WE WELCOME ALL to our services today.  
 Please contact the church office if we may assist you.  
 We would love to hear from you.*



Pray for our sick, especially Celeste Rosenau, David Livingston, Walter, Mae, Cynthia Jester, Lee & Bonnie McHugh, Herb & Rhonda Laing, Russell, Marcie, Erin, Sterling Henderson, Marcie, Jan Calvin, Jackie Montgomery, Faye, Roberta Boyer, Maria Morales, Anita Davis, Valerie, Suzy Young, Patsy Canetta, Sam MacDonnell, Elizabeth, Jess, Bonita, Patricia Trom, and Kevin & Ashley.

Pray for all who have died.

Pray for all who serve in the military, especially Hayden Livingston, Mathew, and Parry Alexander Thomas.

Pray for our companion churches in Cuba, Saint Michael's and All Angels in Ceballos and St. James the Apostle in Baraguá; and their priests, Mtr. Haydée Lugo Marrero and Fr. Roberto Faya Amaro.

Pray for our school; for Peter, Head of School; for Amy, Head of Middle School; for Brenda, Head of Lower School; for Michelle, Director of Preschool; and especially for Emily Lockard and Julie Stoff.

Pray for those celebrating birthdays, especially Nancye Rubin, Mary Luce, John Hill, Scott Smiley, and Nicki Smith.

Pray for those celebrating anniversaries, especially Kevin & Kelly Mistry.

*The policy for Prayers of the People is to list a person for one month.  
Please call or email the office if extended prayers are needed.  
Prayers can be requested by contacting the church office with the information.*

# *Happenings at Holy Comforter Episcopal Church*

## *TODAY*

### **NOVEMBER 10**

- 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I  
9 a.m. Spiritual Journey  
10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II  
Sunday School  
11:30 a.m. Small Group – Couples  
5 p.m. HCEC Book  
Group

## *THIS WEEK*

### **Monday, November 11**

Office Closed for Veterans' Day

### **Tuesday, November 12**

Morning Prayer, 9 am (FB)  
Daisy Troop Meeting, 4:30 pm  
Vestry Meeting, 6 pm

### **Wednesday, November 13**

Westminster Oaks Service, 3 pm  
Holy Eucharist Rite II, 5:30 pm  
Confirmation/Reception Class, 6:30  
Choir Rehearsal, 6:45 pm

### **Thursday, November 14**

Morning Prayer, 9 am (FB)  
Daughters of the King, 5 pm

### **Friday, November 15**

### **Saturday, November 16**

Food Pantry, 9 am



*The flowers at the altar today are sponsored by Frank & Frances Homme in celebration of five years of marriage.*





for:

Hannah Shelly



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**The staff of Holy Comforter would like to thank all of those who step up to volunteer in the past, present, and the future. Our parish would not run as smoothly without your gifts of time and talent.**



***The 2025 Stewardship Campaign  
concludes on Christ the King Sunday  
(November 24<sup>th</sup>).***

The ingathering of pledges will take place during both services on November 24<sup>th</sup>, where the pledges will be offered up to God. This will be the first Sunday that we will be joined by The Rev. Deacon Joe Scheff. Please welcome him to Holy Comforter and stop to introduce yourself if you have the chance.



## Potluck Lunch

There will be a potluck lunch after the 10:30 service on Christ the King Sunday. Join us downstairs in the parish hall for some fellowship and food! The Men's Cooking Crew will be providing the meat. Please bring a dish to share.

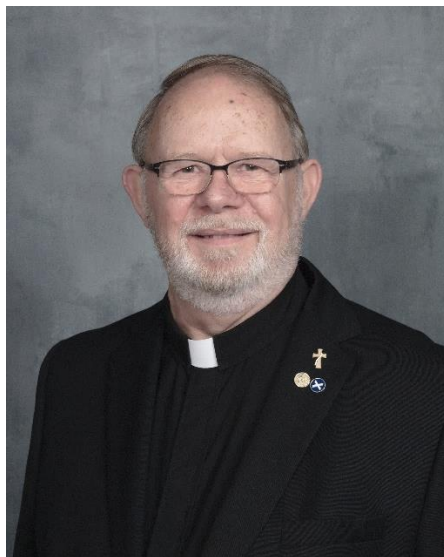
Dear friends at Holy Comforter,

I want to share some news with you about an important transition on our parish staff. I give thanks to God for His provision of **The Rev. Deacon Joe Scheff** to join our clergy team. Dcn. Joe's first Sunday with us will be on Christ the King Sunday, November 24th.

Dcn. Joe is an Atlanta native who has been married to the Rev. Canon Tanya Scheff (Rector of St. Paul's Quincy) for 37 years this year. He has five children and 10 Grandchildren. Dcn. Joe served as a retired Navy Hospital Corpsman of 24 years and lived in Korea, Japan, and Turkey. He is a member of The Order of St. Luke, Brotherhood of St. Andrew, The confraternity of the Blessed Sacrament, Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels, and a Life Member of the VFW.

Please join me in giving Dcn. Joe a very warm welcome and all the support he needs as he settles into this new role. And please continue to pray for Holy Comforter as we move into this new stage of ministry together.

--Fr. Allen



*The Reverend Deacon Joe Scheff*



***Whether you are returning to your faith or have recently experienced a time of spiritual renewal, there is a special opportunity for you to reaffirm your faith with Bishop Benhase on Sunday, December 15th.***

***If you would like to reaffirm your baptismal vows at this service please contact the office at 850-877-2712***

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

### November

12th	6 pm	Vestry Meeting
13th	6:30 pm	Confirmation & Reception Class
14th	5 pm	Daughters of the King
17 <sup>th</sup>	9 am	Buck Breakfast
17th	11:30 am	Small Groups – Couples
20th	6:30 pm	Confirmation & Reception Class
21st	3:30 pm	Chair Yoga
24th		Christ the King Sunday
27th	5:30 pm	Thanksgiving Eucharist
28th & 29th		Office Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday



November 17th at 9 am!

### Advent & Christmas (December)

1st	9:15 am	Advent Wreath-Making Workshop
3rd	7 pm	Capitol Bells Holiday Concert
8th	12:30 pm	Greening of the Church & Christmas Tree Blessing
8th	7 pm	Advent Lessons & Carols
11th	5:30 pm	Christingle Service (replaces normal Eucharist)
13th	6:15 pm	Christmas Caroling at The Grove
14th	10 am	Advent Prayer Labyrinth Walk
15th		Bishop Benhase Visit
15th	10:30 am	Confirmation, Reception, and Reaffirmation
18th	5:30 pm	Service of Remembrance (w/ Eucharist)
22nd	10:30 am	Grace Mission Angel Tree Ingathering
24th	4 pm	Christmas Eve Family Service
24th	8 pm	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
25th	10:30 am	Christmas Day Holy Eucharist

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