



# The Last Sunday after Pentecost

## Christ the King

(PROPER 29)

26 November 2017

The Holy Eucharist

10:30 a.m.

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WELCOME to The Episcopal Church of the Redeemer. We are so glad you are here to worship with us this morning. If you are visiting, we invite you to sign the guest register in the narthex or to fill out a visitor card, found in the pews. Place the visitor card in the offering plate or give it to an usher or member of the clergy. As the parish community gathers, we invite you to prepare for worship in prayerful silence. During the liturgy, we will use the *BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER* 1979 and *The Hymnal* 1982, found in the pew racks. 'S' refers to the service music section at the front of *The Hymnal* 1982. Large-print leaflets and hearing assistance devices are available. Please speak with an usher or member of the clergy before the liturgy.

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### THE ENTRANCE RITE

*The liturgy begins on page 355 in the BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER.*

ORGAN VOLUNTARY: Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele - J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

*As the church bell rings, all stand and sing:*

HYMN AT THE PROCESSION: Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendor      *HYMNAL*, 307

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant*      Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit  
*People*          **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

### THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.**

THE SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY

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.**

*As the children, youth and teachers leave for Church School, all join in singing*

HYMN 576, verse 1 and refrain



God is love, and where true love is God him-self is there.



Here in Christ we gath-er, love of Christ our call-ing, Christ, our love, is with us,



glad-ness be his greet ing. Let us fear and love him, ho-ly God e-ter-nal.



Lov-ing him, let each love Christ in one an-oth-er.



God is love, and where true love is God him-self is there.

Words: Latin, tr. James Quinn (b. 1919) Music: *Mandatum*, Richard Proulx (b. 1937)  
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## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### THE FIRST READING Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all

the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.

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

*The choir sings*

## PSALM 100

- 1 Be joyful in the LORD, all you lands; \*  
    serve the LORD with gladness  
    and come before his presence with a song.
- 2 Know this: The LORD himself is God; \*  
    he himself has made us, and we are his;  
    we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
- 3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving;  
    go into his courts with praise; \*  
    give thanks to him and call upon his Name.
- 4 For the LORD is good;  
    his mercy is everlasting; \*  
    and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

Chant: Edward Bairstow (1874-1946)

## THE SECOND READING Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age

but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

*Reader*        The Word of the Lord.  
*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

*All stand and sing:*

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE: Jesus, our mighty Lord

HYMNAL, 478

THE HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 25:31-46

*Gospeller*     The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew  
*People*        **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

*Gospeller*     The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*        **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

THE SERMON

Rev. Cricket Park

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (FORM V)

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## THE CONFESSION OF SIN & ABSOLUTION

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 PEACE & THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

### THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY        *The Adult and Youth choirs sing*

ANTHEM: Lift up your heads, O ye gates

Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors, and the King of glory may come in. Who is this king of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle. Lift up your heads, O ye gates, even lift them up, ye everlasting doors, and the King of glory may come in. Who is this king of glory? The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

Text:            Psalm 24:7-10

Music:          William Mathias (1934-1992)

## THE DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (PRAYER A)

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SANCTUS from *Mass of the Redeemer*

*See insert at back of Hymnal*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

FRACTION ANTHEM from *Mass of the Redeemer*

*See insert at back of Hymnal*

*All who seek a deeper relationship with God in Jesus Christ are welcome to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion during this liturgy. Gluten-free wafers are available. The second chalice bearers have grape juice. Please make your need known at the altar rail. If the reception of Holy Communion is not part of your tradition, you are invited to come forward to receive a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest to indicate to the priest your desire to receive a blessing.*

## THE COMMUNION

*All join in singing*

HYMN: Father, we thank thee

HYMNAL, 302

*The choir sings*

ANTHEM: King of glory, King of peace

King of glory, King of peace, I will love thee; and that love may never cease, I will move thee. Thou hast granted my request, thou hast heard me; thou didst note my working breast, thou hast spared me. Wherefore with my utmost art I will sing thee, and the cream of all my heart I will bring thee. Though my sins against me cried, thou didst clear me; and alone, when they replied, thou didst hear me. Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise thee; in my heart, though not in heaven, I can raise thee. Small it is, in this poor sort to enroll thee: e'en eternity's too short to extol thee.

Text: George Herbert (1593-1632)

Music: Jesu, meines Herzens Freund, J. S. Bach (1685-1750) arr. William Harris (1883-1973)

## THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

**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 BLESSING

*All respond: Amen.*

HYMN IN PROCESSION: Crown him with many crowns

HYMNAL, 494

THE DISMISSAL

*All respond: Thanks be to God*

ORGAN VOLUNTARY: Fanfare - John Cook (1918-1984)

*Please respect those who wish to listen to the organ postlude by holding your conversations outside the sanctuary. Thank you.*

*Thank you for worshipping with us. At the conclusion of the liturgy, we invite you to join us for refreshments and fellowship in the Parish Hall, located on the lower level of the building.*

*To learn more about the mission and ministry of The Church of the Redeemer, visit the parish website: [redeemberbethesda.org](http://redeemberbethesda.org)*

## ■ PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Welcome to Church of the Redeemer.*

*You're invited to join us in our mutual Christian journey.*

*All are welcome at the Lord's Table for communion.*

***Please sign the guest book in the foyer or complete a visitor's card,  
and please take a copy of Redeemer Spirit.***

*We wish to welcome you fully into the Redeemer community!*

*Altar flowers are given today to the glory of God by Cricket and Steve Park  
in memory of Peggy and Margaret & James Park.*

### **No Adult Forum Today**

Amma Cricket takes the reins of Adult Forum during Advent to look at the history of the season, the upcoming gospel of Mark, and a bit of humorous reading. December 3rd, join her to hear about the reason for the season. Why do we do blue? Why is it four weeks long? Is it only about Christmas? On December 10th we'll talk about the gospel of Mark. We'll be reading this gospel during the upcoming church year (Year B). Finally, on Rose Sunday - December 17th - relax and enjoy *The Christmas Cantata* by Mark Schweizer. Pick up a copy at [www.sjimp.com](http://www.sjimp.com), or let Cricket know by December 1st if you'd like her to order one for you. The cost is \$10. Mr. Schweizer is the author of the Liturgical Mystery series set in St. Germaine, North Carolina. It's like Cabot Cove with an Episcopal twist. If we ask nicely, he'll even autograph the books! Don't miss it!

### **Bethesda Cares Dinner, Today**

Thank you to all who signed up to provide food for homeless men and women today. Our next date for hosting will be in March. Please watch TWAR and the Redeemer Spirit for more information.

### **Funeral for Jack Hutchings**

We will remember the life and ministry of Jack Hutchings on December 9th at 4:00 p.m. with a Requiem Mass. Jack was a long-time member of Redeemer who assisted the previous rector with pastoral care. There will also be a service that morning at Asbury Retirement Village, where Jack lived.

### **Holiday Alternative Gift Sales**

Holiday Alternative Gift Sales will take place on December 3 and 10. Palestinian olive oil products, as well as other items supporting local ministries, will be available after each Sunday service in the Parish Hall. If you would like to participate and have a product to sell, please contact Cricket.

### **Advent Greens**

We need tall people to help us decorate the church for the Advent season. We have to hang the Advent Wreath and put up greenery. If you will be in town December 2nd at 10:00 a.m. and can help, please let us know! ([office@redeemerbethesda.org](mailto:office@redeemerbethesda.org))

## **A Visit from St. Nicholas**

***Sunday, December 3, 10:30 a.m.***

St. Nicholas, fourth century Bishop of Myra, will make his annual visitation to The Church of the Redeemer at the very start of the 10:30 Eucharist on Sunday, December 3. Children, be sure your parents get you to church on time!

## **Toy Sunday**

***Sunday, December 3***

Every year, Redeemer collects new, unwrapped toys and/or funds for the purchase of toys for needy children served by Community Family Life Services (CFLS), a long-time Redeemer outreach partner. To contribute, please bring the toys on Sunday, December 3 or, if you wish to contribute funds, please speak with Jefferson or Cathy Arrington following the 10:30 Eucharist that day. They will do the shopping and deliver the toys. Questions? [jefferson7019@aol.com](mailto:jefferson7019@aol.com)

**Advent Lessons and Carols** - Sunday, December 3 at 5:00 p.m.

Our adult and youth choirs are continuing our annual tradition with the beautiful service of scripture and music focusing our hearts and minds on the coming of Christ

*The Christmas Pageant will be on December 17th at the 10:30 a.m. service. Stay tuned for more information.*

## **Redeemer Book Group**

The Book Group is reading "The Alto Wore Tweed" by Mark Schweizer. St. Germaine is a quiet little town in the mountains of North Carolina. Quiet until full-time police detective, part-time Episcopal choirmaster and aspiring whodunit novelist Hayden Konig begins his opus amidst murder and hilarious mayhem at St. Barnabas Church. In addition to discussing this liturgical mystery novel, we will continue delving into the forty rules of love that were listed in the book we have been discussing. No prior reading of the book is required. The meeting for discussing "The Alto Wore Tweed" and the forty rules of love will be on December 17, 2017 at 3:00 pm at the home of Susan Grigsby, 7325 University Avenue in Glen Echo. Any questions? Contact Huda Kraske at [hqkraske@aol.com](mailto:hqkraske@aol.com).

The book to be read after that is "The Book of Joy" by the Dalai Lama and Archbishop Desmond Tutu and deals with attaining happiness in a changing world. This book affirms many of the 40 rules of love mentioned above. More on this later.

For more information, contact Huda Kraske at [hqkraske@aol.com](mailto:hqkraske@aol.com) or by calling 301-656-2087. All are welcome.

## **Epiphany Evensong, the Feast of Lights and Magi-themed party!**

Saturday, January 6, beginning at 5:00 p.m.

January 6 is the Feast of the Epiphany, when we commemorate the visit of the Magi to the infant Jesus and the coming of the light of Christ into the world. This year we are introducing a new event to mark this special day in our lives as Christians. Our choirs will lead us in an Evensong service, which will include a special liturgy of the Feast of Lights, followed by a party in the parish hall. You are all invited to help decorate the

parish hall for the party by bringing your own nativity/manger scene from home to join in a display of many nativities. In honor of the Magi we will serve special Persian-themed food, in addition to our usual wonderful reception refreshments. If you have Persian food that you can bring (savory or sweet) we'd love you to!

### **New choir members always welcome - adults and youth**

If you or someone you know would like to be in our choirs, contact Chris Betts [music@redeemerbethesda.org](mailto:music@redeemerbethesda.org). New members are always welcome. Right now we are particularly looking for youth choristers (any grade school age), tenors and basses, but we'll welcome sopranos and altos too!

### **Upcoming P.R.A.Y. Events (Potomac River Anglican/Awesome Youth)**

*Caroling & Secret Santa at Oasis, Sunday, December 17*

1:45 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

We will sing for the residences of the Oasis at Sibley, a unit specializing in care for those with dementia and Alzheimer's. The group will gather for snacks and a gift exchange when we take a break in our singing time. Gifts should be under \$10. There is no other cost for the event. Meet at the entrance for check-in at 1:45. We will begin singing at 2:00 p.m. Friends are welcome. Dress in your "best" Christmas attire! All those participating need to sign up no later than Wednesday, December 13

*Martin Luther King Day of Service, Monday, January 15*

Time - TBD

### **■ PRAYER REQUESTS**

For healing:

Rick Abramson, Barbara Alterowitz, Ellen Boyle, Allison Chow, Joan Eisenstodt, Kiki Garo, Lucien Garo, Jr., Jack Hutchings, Susan Ingraham, Olivier Jeanne, Peter & Beate Kendall, Rosalie Kerr, Clarice Leslie, Catherine Moore, Hal Palmer, Evelyn Paparelli, Mary Potter, Marilyn Raisch, Rich Randa, Charlotte Ripa, Tom Rogers, Bill Ryon, Lynda Shepard, Anne Southard, Karen Stewart, Patricia Snowden, Ann Taylor, Carter Taylor, Edward, Greg, Jerry, Jim, Katherine, Katie, Mollie, Quinn, Logan, Jay, James, and the Sewell family.

**For the repose of the souls of Jack Hutchings and Stan Berger (Dawn Fairbanks' father)**

**In thanksgiving for birthdays:** Alicia Jennings, Josephine Campa, Caroline Gibson, Diana Daley

## ■ LITURGICAL ASSISTANTS

### **Today, Sunday, November 26**

Lector 8:00 Marie France; Chalice 8:00 Tami McMinn

Ushers: Jefferson Arrington, Ben Ivins, Mary K Young

Crucifer: Thad Arrington

Acolyte: Helen Zitomer

Lectors 10:30: Cathy Arrington (Old Testament); Clark Downs (Epistle)

Intercessor: Karen Stewart

Chalice 10:30: Chrissy de Fontenay, Judy James, TBD

Counters: Mary K Young, Brooke Anthony

Altar Guild: Patricia Snowden, Diana Dial, Helen Zitomer, Ann Taylor

Coffee Hour: Thanksgiving Leftovers!

### **Next week, Sunday, December 3**

Lector 8:00 Rachel King; Chalice 8:00 Susan Grigsby

Ushers: Jefferson Arrington, Bill MacBain, John Smallwood

Crucifer: Sam Nickerson

Acolyte: Thad Arrington

Lectors 10:30: Barbara Alterowitz (Old Testament); Mary K Young (Epistle)

Intercessor: Bob Yates

Chalice 10:30: Michael Hart, Jenny Nachbar, Justin Hess

Counters: Cathy Arrington, Jane Dealy

Altar Guild: Marie France, Cathy Baker, Ann Hartman

Sign-up sheets for Coffee Hour and Altar Flowers are on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall.

**We're counting on you for these ministries of hospitality. Thank you!**

## ■ NEXT WEEK'S LECTIONARY - [WWW.LECTIONARYPAGE.NET](http://WWW.LECTIONARYPAGE.NET)

Isaiah 64:1-9; 1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Mark 13:24-37; Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18

## ■ PARISH CALENDAR

### **Today, November 26, Christ the King**

Holy Eucharist, 8:00 a.m.

NO Adult Forum

Childcare begins 9:15 a.m..

Holy Eucharist, 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School, 10:45 a.m.

Coffee Hour 11:45 a.m.

Bethesda Cares Dinner, 4:00 p.m.

### **Monday, November 27, Office closed**

AA Meeting, Noon

### **Tuesday, November 28**

Neighborhood Needlers, 3:00 p.m.

Education for Ministry, 6:30 p.m.

AA Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, November 29**

Morning Prayer, 9:00 a.m.  
Education for Ministry, 9:30 a.m.  
Holy Eucharist, Noon  
AA Meeting, Noon  
Youth Choir Rehearsal, 4:30 p.m.

**Thursday, November 30**

Holy Eucharist, 10:00 a.m.  
Balkan Dancers, 7:30 p.m.  
Adult Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 p.m.

**Friday, December 1**

AA Meditation Meeting, Noon  
AA Meeting, 8:30 p.m.

**Saturday, December 2**

Yoga, 9:30 a.m.  
Decorate the church for Advent, 9:00 a.m.

**Sunday, December 3**

Holy Eucharist, 8:00 a.m.  
Advent Wreath Workshop - between services and after  
Advent Adult Forum, 9:15 p.m.  
Childcare, 9:15 a.m.  
Holy Eucharist, 10:30 a.m.  
Coffee Hour, 11:45 a.m.  
An Advent Service of Lessons & Carols, 5:00 p.m.

**Looking ahead:**

Taize contemplative service and healing rite, December 6 - 7:30 p.m.  
Christmas Wreath Making, December 9  
Funeral for Jack Hutchings, December 9  
Christmas Pageant, December 17 - at the 10:30 Service  
Redeemer Book Group meets, December 17  
Choral Evensong for the Feast of the Epiphany, January 6

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*O worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness; let the whole earth stand in awe of him.*

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