



**HOLY EUCHARIST**  
Christ the King  
November 23, 2025 • 10:00am

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*Welcome to St. Paul's! We are grateful for your presence in worship and look forward to welcoming you into this life we share through the love of Jesus Christ! Please don't forget to silence your devices as our worship service begins.*

*Families are welcome to sit anywhere they would like, including in our dedicated children's area in the Chapel, which features self-directed activities and books. An all-gender restroom and a ladies' room are located in the Parish Hall on the Occidental Avenue side of the church campus. In lieu of Children's Chapel activities today, the children will be invited to participate in the today's sermon. Our worship service is live-streamed on St. Paul's YouTube Channel, where we welcome online friends to pray with us.*

*All are warmly invited to participate in Holy Communion at St. Paul's. If you prefer not to receive the wine, simply cross your arms over your chest as the Eucharistic Minister greets you saying, "the Blood of Christ, the Cup of Salvation." Thank you for sharing the light of your presence with our community! May God's presence be very near to you in this holy season!*

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Prelude

*Adoration, Florence Price (1887-1953)*

*All stand to sing*

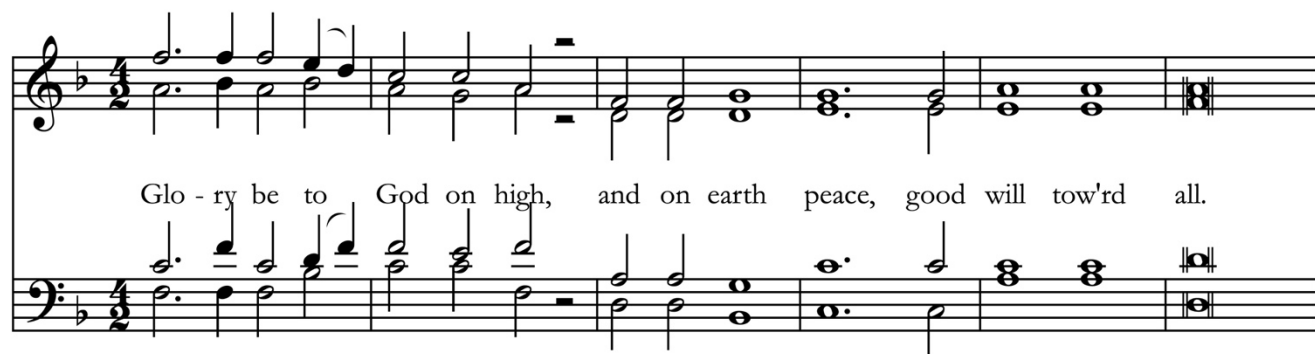
Processional Hymn 382

*"King of glory, King of peace," General Seminary*

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be the Holy One: who creates all things.

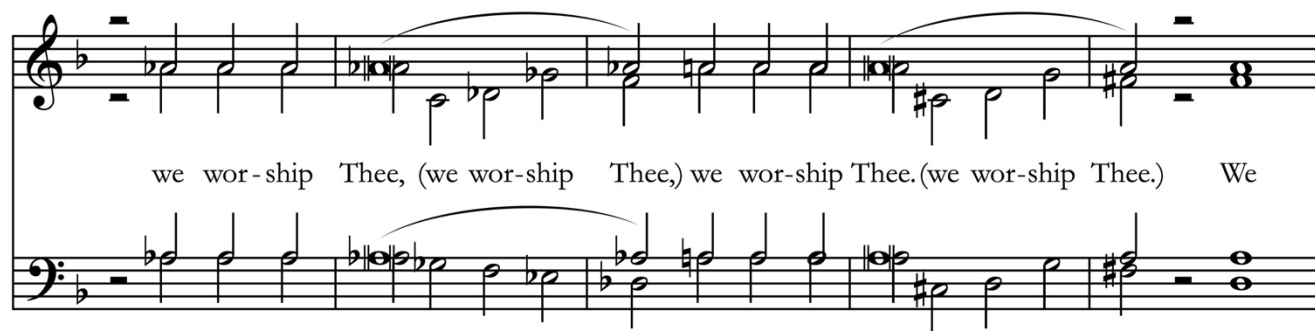
**People God's love is new every morning. Amen.**



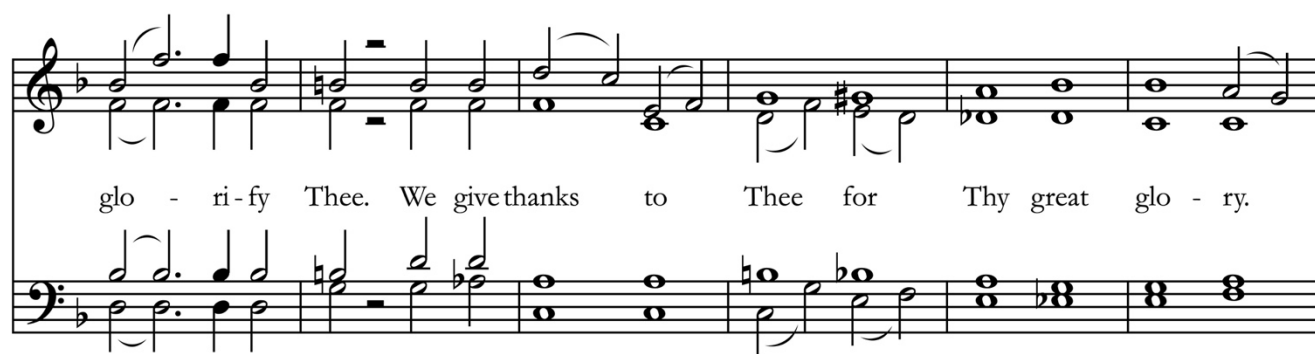
Glo - ry be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will tow'rd all.



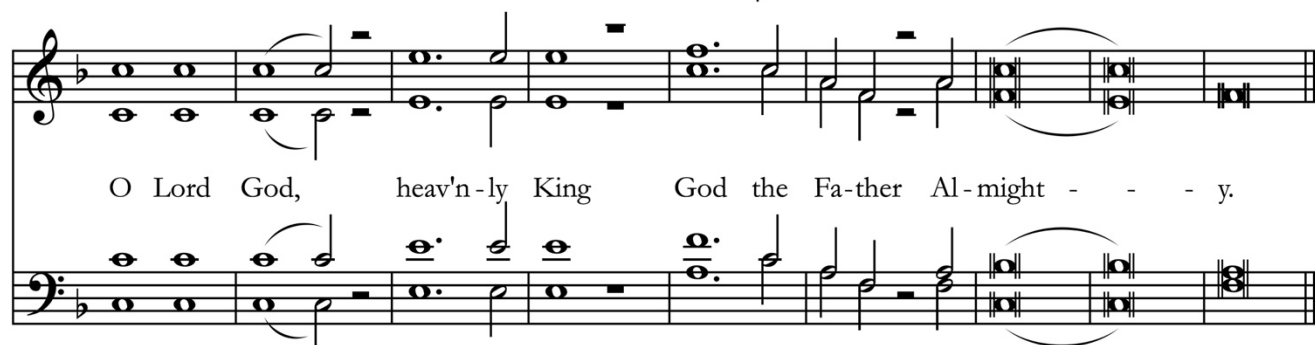
We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we bless Thee, we bless Thee.



we wor-ship Thee, (we wor-ship Thee,) we wor-ship Thee. (we wor-ship Thee.) We



glo - ri-fy Thee. We give thanks to Thee for Thy great glo - ry.



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King God the Fa-ther Al-might - - - y.

## The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

**People And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*The people are seated.*

## The First Lesson

Jeremiah 23: 1-6

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up

shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

*After the reading, the reader says*

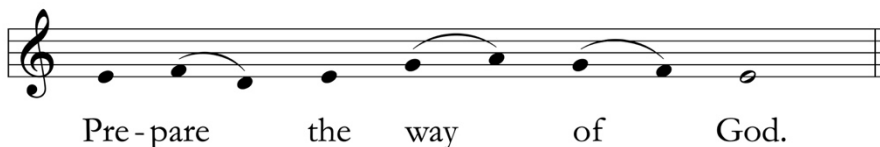
Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**People Thanks be to God.**

Canticle 16 *The Song of Zechariah* (Luke 1:68-79)

Mode 4 Chant

*Cantor sings REFRAIN. All sing REFRAIN. Cantors sing verses.*

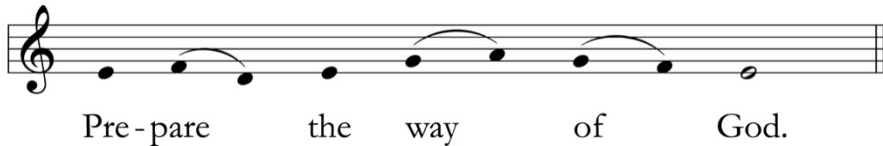


Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; he has come to his people and set them free. He has raised up for us a mighty savior born of the house of his servant David.

*All sing Refrain*

Through his holy prophets he promised of old, that he would save us from our enemies,  
from the hands of all who hate us.  
He promised to show mercy to our fathers and to remember his holy covenant.

*All sing* **Refrain**



This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, to set us free from the hands of our enemies,  
Free to worship him without fear, holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.

*All sing* **Refrain**

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High,  
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,  
To give his people knowledge of salvation by the forgiveness of their sins.

*All sing* **Refrain**

In the tender compassion of our God the dawn from on high shall break upon us,  
To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death,  
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

*All sing* **Refrain**

The Second Lesson

Colossians 1: 11-20

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Church in Colossia

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things

visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers-- all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

*After the reading, the reader says*

**Reader** Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

**People** Thanks be to God.

## Alleluia

*Cantor sings Alleluia. All sing Alleluia.*



*Cantor Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.*

*All sing Alleluia.*

## The Holy Gospel

Luke 23: 33-43

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

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

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. The people stood by, watching Jesus on the cross; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an

inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.

*After the Gospel, the reader says*

**Reader** The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*The people are seated. All children and teens in the congregation are invited to come forward to the front of the church to participate in the sermon conversation.*

## Children's Sermon

The Rev. Sarah C. Stewart

*All stand.*

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,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

*Hear Our Prayer*

Glorious God, in confidence and hope we lift our needs and hopes to you in anticipation of your response as we say, Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Clothe your church with humility and grace, that the sacrificial love of Jesus may course through every mission, every ministry, every program, and every faithful servant. We especially lift up the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia in the Anglican Communion; Christ Church in Los Altos, Portola Valley, Sausalito, San Francisco; Christ the Lord, Pinole; and Advent of Christ the King, San Francisco in the Diocese of California.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Help our nation to use wisely the blessings of our history, our geography, our industry, our culture, and our people, so that we might find common purpose and meaning in ensuring the well-being of all who call this land home.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Move through every heart in this assembly and open us to the possibilities of your love. Energize us for the sake of your ministry.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You have placed Christ over all Creation, help us to ensure that the goodness with which it was formed might be preserved and sustained that Christ might reign over a plentiful and beautiful earth.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Christ knew suffering on the cross, may Christ be present with those who are suffering now and walk with them into the peace and wholeness of God's ever-present love. We pray especially for Janet Bock, Rodney Gehrke, Homa, Michael Kimball, Ray Loughrey, Jen Norman, Jack Palladino, Janice Parsons, Linda Pittman, Jim Prescott, Parker Quickert, and those affected by mass shootings around the country.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Relieve us from the fear of death and grant us entrance into God's glorious eternal presence when our mortal journey has ended. We pray especially for Carmen Villalobos.

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You have made Christ Lord and His name the name at which every knee shall bow. Christ's glory is revealed in grace, humility, and love. Help us to walk this path and to be your faithful servants, through the same Christ who abides with you and the Holy Spirit, now and always. **Amen.**

### The Confession

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

**God of all mercy,  
we confess that we have sinned against you,  
opposing your will in our lives.  
We have denied your goodness in each other,  
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.  
We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done,  
and the evil done on our behalf.  
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ,  
that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

### The Absolution

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 Christ be always with you.  
People        **And also with you.**

*The people greet each other with a sign of God's peace and then are seated.*

Announcements

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Anthem

*Praise the Lord* (1951), Florence Price

*Praise the Lord all ye nations. Praise the Lord all ye people.  
Praise the Lord for His merciful kindness is great toward us.  
And the truth of the Lord endureth forever.*

~ Psalm 117

*All stand to sing*

Presentation Hymn 324

“Let all mortal flesh keep silence,” *Picardy*

The Great Thanksgiving

*Eucharistic Prayer A, The Book of Common Prayer, page 361*

The musical notation consists of four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words underlined. The first staff is for the Celebrant and the second for the People. The third staff is for the Celebrant and the fourth for the People. The lyrics are as follows:

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you. *People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts. *People* We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every where to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:



*pp* Ho - ly, *p* Ho - ly,

*mp* Ho - - - ly, *mf* Lord God of hosts,

*ff* Heav'n and earth are full, full of Thy glo - ry;

*mf* Glo - ry be to Thee O - Lord most high. *p* A - men.

*The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer, giving thanks for God's work of redemption through Jesus Christ and consecrating the bread and wine for Holy Communion. The people join in sacramental witness, speaking to the mystery of God's saving grace.*

...Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:  
**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*The children of the choir will move to the front of the pulpit in preparation to support the congregation in singing the Our Father, following the prayers the Celebrant offers.*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Most Holy God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's 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 Christ. 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 and all your saints into the joy of your eternal Reign.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory are yours, Most Blessed One, now and forever. **AMEN.**

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

*Choir sings. All are invited to join in singing a second time.*

### The Lord's Prayer

Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)



Our Fa - ther who art in heav'n, hal-low'd be\_\_\_ thy name. Thy



king-dom come, thy will be done on earth as it is\_\_\_ in heav'n. Give



us this day our\_\_\_ dai - ly\_\_\_ bread. And for -



give us our tres-pas-ses, As we for - give those who tres-pass a - gainst us.



And lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion,



But de - liv - er us from e - vil.

## The Breaking of the Bread

*The Celebrant breaks the Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

Agnus Dei *sung by choir*

*Communion Service in F, Florence Price*

## Invitation to Communion

*The Celebrant lifts the bread and wine saying,*

The gifts of God for the people of God. If you feel drawn to this table, let nothing keep you away.

*All are welcome to receive Communion. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. Ushers will see that Communion is brought to you at your seat, should you request it.*

## Communion Anthem

*Now thank we all our God (Cantata 79), J. S. Bach*

*Now thank we all our God, with heart, and hands, and voices:*

*Who wondrous things hath done, in whom God's word rejoices:*

*Who from our mother's arms hath bless'd us on our way*

*With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.*

~ Martin Rinkart (1586-1649); English translation by Catherine Winkworth (1829-1878)

## Postcommunion Prayer

*All stand as the Celebrant invites,*

Let us pray.

**God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## Blessing

Life is short,

And we do not have much time  
to gladden the hearts of those who  
make the journey with us.

So be swift to love,  
and make haste to be kind.

And the blessing of God,  
who made us, who loves us,  
and who draws us into community by the power of the Spirit,  
rest upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

*All sing*

Hymn 397

“Now thank we all our God,” *Nun danket alle Gott*

Dismissal

Christ our King make us faithful and strong to do his will,  
that we may reign with him in glory;

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Postlude

*Toccata on “Nun danket alle Gott,”* Egil Hovland (1924-2013)

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