

CHRIST & SAINT LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

NOVEMBER 9, 2025, 10:15 a.m.

*All page numbers refer to the Book of Common Prayer. Hymns can be found in the blue Hymnal 1982.
Service music, marked with an 'S', may be found in the front portion of the hymnal.*

PRELUDE: Salut d'Amour

Edward Elgar

Please stand at the ringing of the bell.

HYMN 401: The God of Abraham praise

Leoni

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION & COLLECT FOR PURITY

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

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant 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 TRISAGION: Hymnal S102

Alexander Archangelsky

THE 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.**

THE FIRST LESSON

Job 19:23-27a

JOB said, "O that my words were written down! O that they were inscribed in a book! O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock forever! For I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at the last he will stand upon the earth; and after my skin has been thus destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another."

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 17:1-9 (*sung by all*)

Herbert Howells



1. Hear my plea of innocence, O Lord, give | heed to • my | cry *
listen to my prayer which does not | come • from | ly•ing | lips.
2. Let my vindication come | forth from • your | presence *
- let your | eyes • be | fixed • on | justice.
3. Weigh my heart | summon me • by | night *
- melt me down; you will find | no • im|purit•y | in me.
4. I give no offense with my mouth as | oth•ers | do *
- I have | heeded • the | words of • your | lips.
5. My footsteps hold fast to the | ways of • your | law *
- in your | paths • my | feet shall • not | stumble.
6. I call upon you O God for | you • will | answer me *
- incline your ear to | me • and | hear • my | words.
7. (*2nd part*) Show me your marvelous | lov•ing | kindness *
- O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand
- from | those who • rise | up • against them.
8. Keep me as the | apple • of your | eye *
- hide me under the | sha•dow | of • your | wings.
9. From the | wicked • who as•sault me *
- from my deadly | ene•mies | who • sur•round me.

THE SECOND LESSON

2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

AS to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you? But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of

the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter. Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

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

People Thanks be to God.

HYMN 526: Let saints on earth in concert sing

Dundee

THE GOSPEL

Luke 20:27-38

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

SOME Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus and asked him a question, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her." Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Reverend Jared Grant

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, Form II

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I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for Susan, our Bishop, for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of God. Pray that they may find and be found by God.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died.

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

The Priest adds concluding prayers and collect.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. (*please kneel*)

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.

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 (*please stand*)

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: The Spirit of the Lord

Edward Elgar

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because He hath anointed me to preach the Gospel to the poor.
He hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted,
to preach deliverance to the captives
and recovering of sight to the blind,
to preach the acceptable year of the Lord;
To give unto them that mourn a garland for ashes,
the oil of joy for mourning,

-Isaiah 61:1-3, 11

DOXOLOGY: Hymnal 380, v. 3 (*please stand*)

Old Hundred

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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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, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

The Celebrant continues with the proper preface...

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

Land of Rest

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

5 heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry: Ho - san - na in the high - est.

9 Bless - ed is He who comes in the name of the Lord; Ho -

13 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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

The Celebrant continues...

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

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Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast.

FRACTION ANTHEM: Hymnal S 171

Mason Martens

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Communion at Christ & St. Luke's:

- At the indication of the usher, please move to the center aisle and proceed up the altar rail. Move to the open spot filling in from the center of the rail to the wall.
- Kneel as you are able and place one hand over the other, palms up, to receive the bread.
- To sip from a chalice to receive the wine, consume the bread leaving your palms empty.
- To intinct (dip) your wafer into the wine, hold it between your thumb and forefinger.
- Once the chalices have passed, exit out the side and back down the side aisles to your pew.

Gluten free wafers are available, simply let the priest know you require one. If you prefer not to receive the bread or wine but would like a blessing, gently cross your arms across your chest.

A standing station is also available in front of the pulpit.

COMMUNION MUSIC: A Quiet Place

arr. Christine Jones

Christine Jones, piano

COMMUNION ANTHEM: Sing me to heaven

Daniel Gawthrop

In my heart's sequestered chambers
Lie truths stripped of poet's gloss.
Words alone are vain and vacant
And my heart is mute.
In response to aching silence
Memory summons half-heard voices,
And my soul finds primal eloquence
And wraps me in song.

If you would comfort me, sing me a lullaby.
If you would win my heart, sing me a love song.
If you would mourn me and bring me to God.
Sing me a requiem, Sing me to heaven.

Touch in me all love and passion,
Pain and pleasure, touch in me,
Touch in me, grief and comfort;
Love and passion, Pain and pleasure.
Sing me a lullaby, a love song, a requiem,
Love me, comfort me, bring me to God:
Sing me a love song, Sing me to heaven.

-Jane Griner

COMMUNION HYMN 340: For the bread which you have broken

Julion

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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Celebrant Let us pray. (*please stand or kneel*)

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 BLESSING

HYMN 579: Almighty Father, strong to save

Melita

THE DISMISSAL

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Prelude in C major, BWV 547

Johann Sebastian Bach

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God,
in loving memory of George McCoy Lankford,
and in honor of all veterans of the United States military forces
in recognition of Veterans Day, by Anne Lankford.*

WE INVITE YOUR PRAYERS

If you would like to be added to the Prayer List, please contact a member of clergy or BJ Taylor, Facilitator for Pastoral and Congregational Care (taylorasc@aol.com).

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Church in the Province of the West Indies.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Luke's, Courtland and St. Michael's, Colonial Heights.

All those facing illness, surgery, injury or adversity, especially: April Baynum, Keith Ehrhard, Elaine Harding, Nancy Hoffman, Shirlee Palmer, Leslie Pugh, and Warren Richard. We pray for all who are deployed, especially Michael Ortiz. We pray for the people of Ukraine. We pray also for a sustaining of peace in the Holy Land.

Repose of the Soul: Terry Beard and Jason Primm.

Those who ask for our continuing prayers: Carter Bernert, David Black, David Durica, Marilyn Gindroz, Valerie Harrington, Gary Hecht, Frank Kirchner, Wayne Lundie, Ceil McCoid, Mary Helen McCoy, Arthur Menoche, Elmer Morales-Torres, Leon Parham, Allen Shaffer, William Swan, Jake Tobin, and Marie Ward.

Our loved ones needing continuing prayers: Mary Baldrige, Ron Baldrige, Ryker Bellamy, Marian Butler-Shaw, Brittany Clark, Ellen Coffman, Joseph Graif, Heather Hayes, Calvin Horsley, Dean Kershaw, James Kilavey, Ena Kirkpatrick, Henley Lanphere, Wesley Lupo, Shawn Morlock, Mavis Stapleford, Christine Szeligowski, Auris Torres, and Autumn Vandehei.

This week's Birthdays: Nov. 10-16

Mary Beauchamp, Betty Denniston, Liz Fife, Amanda Ipock, Hank Jarrett, Bower Patrick, Ken Reynolds, and Janet Richard.

This week's Anniversaries: Nov. 10-16

Brian & Melissa Deutsch, Alyssa & Hugh McCrory, and Allen & Glenis Shaffer.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

LITURGY & MUSIC

Ingathering Sunday – Today, November 9, 8:00 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.

Today, as we celebrate **Ingathering Sunday**, we hope to collect your remaining financial commitments for next year. As a part of the service, we will bless all these gifts, trusting the Holy Spirit to multiply our offerings to the benefit of our church and our community. Thank you to those who have already made such commitments. Those who have responded have done so with overwhelming generosity and as a result we are making strong progress. We have received over 200 pledges and are over 75% of the way to our fundraising goal. Our annual stewardship campaign is essential, as pledges account for almost three-quarters of our operating revenue. Your support this year will allow us to continue the rhythm of discipleship: To “**Go and Be**” impactful embodiments of Christ’s love in our city and surrounding region. If you haven’t yet made your 2026 pledge, you are invited to visit the CSL website to pledge online and set up automatic payments for your convenience.

Church-Wide Veterans Day Eucharist – Livestreamed *online only* Tuesday, November 11, 7:00 p.m.

Christ & St. Luke’s is closed on Veterans Day to honor all those who have served in the United States Armed Forces, recognizing their patriotism, service, and sacrifice in both wartime and peacetime. Meanwhile, Episcopalians are invited to join a first-time churchwide Veterans Day Holy Eucharist service via livestream or in person at the Church Center chapel in New York City, to honor those who have served in the military and specially recognize the Episcopal chaplains who support them. Presiding Bishop Sean Rowe will preside, and the Rt. Rev. Ann Ritonia, bishop suffragan for the church’s Armed Forces and Federal Ministries, will preach. Look for the link to the livestream under the current announcements on our website.

FORMATION

Sunday Childcare, Children’s Formation, and Children’s Chapel Fall Schedule

- **9:00 a.m. - *Children up to 3 years old*** gather in the blue room in the Parish House at the end of the hallway before the stairs for childcare if their parents are attending adult formation or sing in the choir.
- **9:00 a.m. - *Children’s Formation for children 3-8 years old*** gather in the meeting room (the gold room) for what was formerly known as “Sunday School.” We will explore scripture and the traditions of the Episcopal church through stories, music, and art response.
- **9:00 a.m. - *Children’s Formation for children 9-12 years old*** gather in Lower Lloyd for discussion of scripture, the Episcopal Church, and Christ & St. Luke’s. Participants are invited to join their families for the 10:15 a.m. service.
- **9:00 a.m. - *Formation for youth ages 12-16*** gather in the Mezzanine office, up the parish house stairs. *This is a new formation group led by Kelly Storrs.*
- **10:15 a.m. - *All children through 8 years old*** participate in developmentally appropriate worship during Children’s Chapel in their respective rooms. Older children will be brought into church to rejoin their families at the Peace. If you would like your child under 3 to join you at the Peace, please come to the Children’s Room at that time to sign them out.

Grave Matters – Continues Today, November 9, 9:15 a.m., Lloyd Hall

Back by popular demand! This series on end-of-life planning invites us all to confront the sometimes uncomfortable fact of our death and it will encourage and equip us to make the necessary plans for it. This second week will include information on the legal, financial, and medical affairs which we would all do well to sort out ahead of time. Don’t miss this important session. There is no more helpful gift you can give your loved ones than attending to these matters now.

CSL Youth Meeting– Today, November 9, 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

All middle and high school students are invited to come for dinner, games, and conversation. We meet from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. in Lower Lloyd Hall.

- Sunday, November 9, Regular Gathering
- Sunday, November 16, Disciples and Dragons
- Sunday, November 23, Wrapping Presents for TFFC

Queer Theology – Today, November 9, 12:00 p.m., the Parlor

We're a parishioner-led group devoted to exploring queer theology more deeply and how members of the LGBTQIA+ community are not just accepted in the Episcopal Church but embraced in God's love. We ask ourselves: How does the queer perspective enrich queer theology and our community? All LGBTQIA+ people and allies are welcome. For more information please contact Anders "AJ" Nolan (creekhiker@gmail.com).

Save the Date: Advent Quiet Day with author Hannah Anderson, Saturday December 6, 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Advent and Christmas can be a loud and busy time, but here's an opportunity for those of us who want to look inward to find meaning and quiet in this season. Prepare your hearts with an Advent Quiet Day with renowned author Hannah Anderson who lives in the Blue Ridge Mountains. Drawing on her work in her Advent devotional *Heaven and Nature Sing*, Hannah will lead us into a reflection on the season of Advent grounded in God's renewal and redemption of all of creation through the act of incarnation. Join us for a day focused on observing and considering how to think deeply about all that this season teaches us about life. ***Space is limited please sign up using the online link under the current announcements.*** The day will take place at the chapel at Virginia Wesleyan University from 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Rector's Book Club – Friday, November 21, 4:00 p.m.

This month's book is "Zero at the Bone — Fifty Entries Against Despair," by Christian Wiman. It's poetry and theology and memoir combined, and a real treat for the soul as well as the intellect. See you there!

FAITH IN ACTION

Tidewater Friends of Foster Care: Let's Spread Some Joy! – Wish lists now available

This year, we are again partnering with Tidewater Friends of Foster Care (TFFC) to provide gifts for children in foster care. You may choose a child or sibling group for whom to purchase gifts. ***Gifts can be brought to Christ & St. Luke's now until November 23.*** We are sponsoring a hundred children this year, so we will be having a ***pizza/gift wrapping party on Sunday, November 23, from 4:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. in Lloyd Hall.*** Volunteers will be needed to help log in gifts as well as drop them off at TFFC. If you are available to help, please let Kathy Hanna (kathy.hanna@christandstlukes.org) know.

Archive Guild Training – Sunday, November 16, 12:00 p.m. in Lower Lloyd Hall

The Archive Guild, our newest ministry at Christ & St. Luke's Church, is still recruiting parishioners who are interested in reading about the history of our church, examining documents, cataloging, preserving our archives, and sharing information with our church family. Any member of Christ & St. Luke's who is 18 or over may sign up to join by contacting Fr Vince (vince.connery@christandstlukes.org) or Edmund Russell (ewrussell3@icloud.com).

FELLOWSHIP

Veterans Day Breakfast - Tuesday, November 11, 8:00 a.m. at The Williams School

The Williams School has a Veterans Day Breakfast each year and would like to extend the invitation to active duty and veteran service members of our congregation. A buffet breakfast will be served at 8:00 a.m. and followed by student presentations at 8:20 a.m. The breakfast will be held at The Williams School main campus at 419 Colonial Avenue. Please RSVP to Tracey Braham (tbraham@thewilliamsschool.org).

Dancing and Art with Arts Guild Community Art

The Arts Guild has some fun community art outings this month and would love you to join in!

- Do you love to dance? Contra Dancing! Or, just want a fun way to move and have fun? Join Heidi Anderson on **Saturday, November 15 at 7:30 p.m.** for an evening of Contra Dancing with a beginners lesson included. We will meet at the First Lutheran Church, 1301 Colley Ave, cost \$15. RSVP to Heidi (heidi.w.anderson@gmail.com)
- Do you love art? Visit to the Chrysler! Or just want to make some new friends? Meet Anne Lankford on **Sunday, November 16, 2:00 p.m.**, for a docent guided art tour at the Chrysler Museum. RSVP to Anne (gmlahl@gmail.com).

Young Families Fellowship Meet-Up – Sunday, November 16, 3:00 p.m., Lafayette Park

Before the colder weather truly arrives and the light gets too low, The Young Families Fellowship will gather for a day at the park on Sunday, November 16. Join us at Lafayette Park in Norfolk from 3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. This is an informal, come-as-you-are gathering. No RSVP required. Reach out to Fr. Jared (jared.grant@christandstlukes.org) with any questions.

Women of Wisdom – Tuesday, November 11, 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m., Gold Room

Women of Wisdom meets the second Tuesday of each month to discuss a good book and share life together. We'll be discussing the first eight chapters (Part 1) of "Rediscovering Christmas" by A.J. Sherrill. Karen Moskowitz, who will lead our discussion, recommends reading the book thoughtfully as a prelude to Advent and suggests, "Jot down your thoughts in the margin, journal something, draw something, or maybe create something that you feel inspired to create."

Flower Arranging Class – Saturday, November 22, 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., Lower Lloyd Hall

Come join members of the Flower Guild for a fun, free flower arranging class with lunch provided. We will make a small arrangement to take home for your Thanksgiving Table. The class will be taught by guild member, Sid Neighbours. All supplies and breakfast treats will be provided. Space is limited so sign up today! Please RSVP by November 15 to: Maria Lyall (marialyall@gmail.com) (757) 348-6889.

ADMINISTRATION

Impacted by the Government Shutdown?

We are aware that the shutdown of the federal government may be negatively impacting many of our parishioners. If you or your family are finding yourself in a difficult situation financially, or in need of support to manage the anxiety brought on by the uncertainty of this situation please reach out. We have information about resources that are available which we want to make sure you are accessing. Please email Fr. Noah (noah.vanniel@christandstlukes.org) directly and it will remain completely confidential.



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