

THE RT. REV. MARTY STEBBINS, BISHOP THE VERY REV. KENDRA WILDE, DEAN

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST NOVEMBER 16, 2025, 9:00 AM & LIVESTREAMED

Welcome to St. Peter's Cathedral!

We're delighted you're here. Whether you've been here for years or it's your first time with us, we hope you'll find richness in offering your prayers and praise with us during worship. And afterward, please join us downstairs for snacks. Whoever you are and wherever you come from, wherever you hurt today, whatever you bring today, you are welcome at Christ's table and here at St. Peter's.



Neuman observatory, Carroll College, Helena, Montana

MINISTERS SERVING TODAY

Presider: The Very Rev. Kendra Wilde

Piano: Patty Dean

Acolyte: Abe Loveland & Eliza Loveland Lectors: Scott Hibbard & Ruth Ann Schuler

Eucharistic Minister (EM): Charlie Briggs

Eucharistic Visitors (EV): Donna Church, Dan & Lizzie

Carlson-Thompson, Robin Erickson,

& Maggie Stockwell

Ushers: Grace Berger & Mark Kelly

We draw our liturgy from a variety of approved resources. Please see endnotes for sources and permissions.

The People's responses are printed in boldface.

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PRELUDE

HYMN, H-632

O Christ, the Word Incarnate

THE WORD OF GOD

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

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

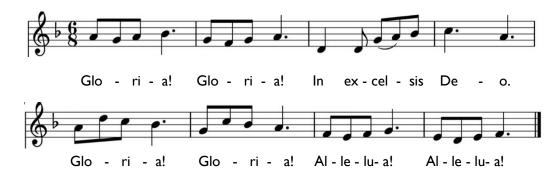
THE OPENING COLLECT

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 GLORIA

laques Berthier (1923-1994)

Tune: Munich



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. And also with you. 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 OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 65:17-25

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth:

the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.

But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating;

for I am about to create lerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight.

I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people;

no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress.

No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days,

or an old person who does not live out a lifetime;

for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth,

and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat;

for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,

and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity;

for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord—and their descendants as well.

Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear.

The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox;

but the serpent-—its food shall be dust!

They shall not hurt or destroy

on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

THE RESPONSE: Canticle 9: (Metrical paraphrase)



THE NEW TESTAMENT

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Tune: Merton

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night

and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



THE GOSPEL PROCLAMATION

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them. When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately."

Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Very Rev. Kendra Wilde

THE NICENE CREED BCP 358

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

Leader In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For our community, the nation, and the world; for peace to all who suffer, especially those who endure conflicts in Myanmar; Palestine, Israel, Lebanon; Russia and Ukraine; Syria; Ethiopia; Mali, Burkina Faso, Niger, and Nigeria.

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For any child of God who is in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For all who minister to those who are sick, friendless, lonely, or in need.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For those who are hungry, unsheltered, or inadequately sheltered, those who are unemployed, and those who are victims of fear, injustice, and oppression.

For the people of the Salish, Pend d'Orielle, Kootenai, Blackfeet, Chippewa Cree, Gros Venture, Assiniboine, Sioux, Northern Cheyenne, Crow, and Little Shell Band of Chippewa. Bless, especially, our Togendowagan Society who so beautifully weave together Native and Christian traditions. For us all as attentive, compassionate caretakers of the creation you entrust to us.

For Sara, Archbishop of Canterbury, Sean our Presiding Bishop, and Marty our Bishop; for all bishops and other ministers; and in praise for the many faithful stewards of St. Peter's and for your Spirit which inspires generosity.

For all who share time, talent, and treasure in God's Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially those who are living with grief.

The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our only King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, especially Bob, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant concludes with an absolution or a suitable Collect.

THE PEACE

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PRAYER FOR BIRTHDAYS

BCP 830

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE PRAYER FOR ANNIVERSARIES

We thank you, most gracious God, for consecrating the marriage of N. and N. in Christ's Name and presence. Lead them further in companionship with each other and with you. Give them grace to live together in love and fidelity, with care for one another. Strengthen them all our days, and bring them to that holy table where, with those we love, we will feast for ever in our heavenly home; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory sentence

THE OFFERTORY HYMN, H-550

lesus calls us o'er the tumult

Tune: Restoration

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

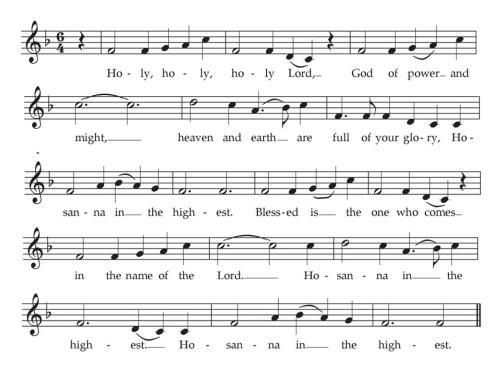
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our 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 by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:



Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, God-with-us, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN**.

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

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

Silence

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The holy gifts of God for the holy people of God.

Christ welcomes all to communion. ■ Receive the bread in open and outstretched hands and sip the wine, guiding the chalice to your lips. ■ If you do not want to sip the wine, it is also perfectly appropriate to receive the bread only. ■ You may respond to communion by saying "Amen." ■ If you prefer a blessing, cross your hands over your chest. ■ Tell the minister if you require gluten-free elements. ■ In the Episcopal Church Baptism generally precedes communion and is offered several times a year; please speak to a member of the clergy to learn more. ■

THE PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION on behalf of those participating remotely

MUSIC AT COMMUNION

PIANO INTERLUDE

HYMN, H-620Jerusalem, my happy homeTune: Land of RestHYMN, H-482Lord of all hopefulnessTune: Slane

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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.

SENDING FORTH OF EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

In the name of Christ and this congregation, we send forth Dan, Donna, Lizzie, Maggie, and Robin, bearing these holy gifts, that John Board and Meredith Anderson may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

We who are many are one body, for we all share one bread, one cup.

THE CHILDREN'S MOMENT

The Very Rev. Kendra Wilde

THE BLESSING

HYMN, H-665 All my hope on God is founded Tune: Michael

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

MUSIC NOTE:

Tunes of today's Sequence hymn, the Sanctus, and both communion hymns are based on folk melodies. For centuries, in order to popularize Christian texts, and make them easily singable for people who don't read music, the church's hymnwriters and teachers have overlaid popular secular tunes of the times with new texts. This method was also famously employed by those who wrote what has become our national anthem—pasting a patriotic text over what was, at the time, nothing more than a popular drinking song! Many of our Christian holidays are the result of a similar practice; the date of Christmas, the Feast of the Nativity of Our Lord, was set to supplant traditional winter solstice celebrations and related festivals, in the hope of making the new Christian holiday more appealing to the public. Jesus might have quibbled with this practice of putting "new wine in old wineskins," but, over the ages, it's been an effective tool for the Church.



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NEXT WEEK'S LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Piano: Patty Dean **Acolyte**: Duke Demmons

Eucharistic Minister (EM): Chris Boyce

Lectors: Lizzie Carlson-Thompson & Sharon Nielsen

Ushers: Sara Medley & Sharron Moran

Eucharistic Visitors (EVs): Jennie Eckwortzel, Barb Hoag, Manny Hoag

Happenings for St. Peter's Cathedral

for the week of November 16th

Calendar Location Legend: UC: Undercroft, WH: Wilson Hall SPC: St. Peter's Nave, V: Virtual

Sunday, Nov 16, 23rd Sunday after Pentecost

8:15 Choir Rehearsal (Choir room)

9:00 Holy Eucharist (SPC)

9:00 Sunday School (WH)

10:00 Fellowship (UC)

10:15 Celebration Sunday

Monday, Nov 17

8:30 Morning Prayer (V)

10:15 Lectionary Study Group (WH)

6:00 Gamblers Anonymous (WH)

Tuesday, Nov 18

7:00 Men's Fellowship (V)

8:30 Morning Prayer (V)

12:05 Holy Eucharist (Diocesan House)

5:00 Musikanten Rehearsal (UC)

5:15 Chapter Meeting (WH)

6:30 Women's AA Group (G)

Wednesday, Nov 19

8:30 Morning Prayer (V)

12:00 Happenings Submission Deadline

5:00 Spiritual Social (Melinda's house-

address below)

7:00 Youth Collective (New Life Lutheran)

Thursday, Nov 20

8:30 Morning Prayer (V)

9:30 Shawl Ministry (WH)

Friday, Nov 21

8:30 Morning Prayer (V)

Saturday, Nov 22

8:30 Morning Prayer (V)

5:30 Togendowagan Society Service - Potluck following service (SPC & UC)

Sunday, Nov 23, 24th Sunday after Pentecost

8:15 Choir Rehearsal (Choir room)

9:00 Holy Eucharist (SPC)

9:00 Sunday School (WH)

10:00 Fellowship (UC)

10:30 Listen & Learn with the Dean (G)

Altar Flowers

Altar Flowers were given by Dianne Beaman in loving memory of Bill Beaman.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Donna Church, November 16 Sara Johnson, November 16 Ken Liston, November 17 Hal Jacobson, November 19 Everett March, November 19 Vera Towery, November 20 Michael Sanders, November 22 Vicky & Jeff Tiberi, November 17 We recognize this is an economically challenging time not just for many outside of our faith community, but also for some who are part of our faith community. If you are having trouble making ends meet, please reach out to Dean Kendra

You may have received an email from Janet Kirkland recently asking for your assistance with purchasing gift certificates for the staff. Please block/ignore these messages—they are a phishing scam. The church will not ask for your assistance with gift cards via email.

In order to keep our prayers for those in need of healing and comfort contemporary, we are going to resume a practice of renewing that list at the beginning of each month. If you would like to be included or have a loved one included, please email that name to Dean Kendra at dean@spchelena.org

We are hosting Family Promise this week, though not at Wilson Hall. We will be hosting at First Christian Church. Thank you, to all of our volunteers.

Please join us for the Spiritual Social on Wednesday evening. It will be held at Melinda's house. She will provide Lasagna; others may bring side dishes and a beverage of their choice. Melinda's address is 2856 Jeannette Rankin Dr.

Prayer Requests

The Church: for Sean, our Presiding Bishop; for Marty, our Bishop; for Kendra, our Dean; for the Togendowagan Society, Darcy and Dan, their Elders; and for St. John's of Emigrant's Rector, Kristen Orr.

The Government: for Donald, our President; for Greg, our Governor; for Congress, especially Tim, Steve, Ryan and Troy. Also, for Kelly, Vickie, and Wilmot, our area mayors.

The Community: for the staff, volunteers, and beneficiaries of God's Love, Good Samaritan Ministries, Family Promise, Helena Food Share, Friendship Center, Head Start, and YWCA. **Comfort, Healing & Hope:** for Kevin, Ray, Kathy J., Dick, Bob D, Gene, Janet, Sarah, the family of Joseph Passamani, grieving his passing, Terry, For the family of Bob Dallas, grieving his passing, for the family of Vincent Hunsaker,

Those Serving in our Armed Forces: for David Emineth, Shane Medley, Charles Lewis, Kenneth V Liston, and Parker Jones.