

## Christ the King Sunday

November 26, 2023

Grace: 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite 1, without music (p. 323/340)  
(1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays)

All Saints Chapel: 9:00 a.m. (2nd/4th Sundays)

Grace: 11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite 2



*Remember to silence all cell phones.*

### Church Bell Tolls

**Prelude** *Dorian Prelude and Fugue*

Flor Peeters

**Processional Hymn # 494**

*Crown him with many crowns*

**Opening Acclamation**

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

**People: Blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

**The Collect for Purity**

**Gloria** (*standing*)

Hymnal S-280

**The 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.**

## THE WORD OF GOD

### The Old Testament

A Reading from the Book of 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. The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### The Psalm

A Responsive Reading from the Psalms (100).

<sup>1</sup>Be joyful in the LORD, all you lands; \*

**serve the LORD with gladness**

**and come before his presence with a song.**

<sup>2</sup>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.**

<sup>3</sup>Enter his gates with thanksgiving;

go into his courts with praise; \*

**give thanks to him and call upon his Name.**

<sup>4</sup>For the LORD is good;

his mercy is everlasting; \*

**and his faithfulness endures from age to age.**

### The Epistle

A Reading from St. Paul's Letter to the 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.

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

**Pre-Gospel Hymn # 435** (v.1-2)

*At the Name of Jesus*

### The Gospel

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (25:31-46).

**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.'" The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**Post-Gospel Hymn # 435** (v.3-4)

*At the Name of Jesus*

**The Homily**

The Very Rev. Miles Smith

**The Nicene Creed**

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**Prayers of the People – Form IV**

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**The Confession & Absolution**

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**The Peace**

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

**Offertory Anthem: Praise God in His Holiness**

Geoffrey Shaw

**Presentation Hymn # 380** (v. 3)

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow*

**The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B**

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**Sanctus** (*standing*)

Hymnal S-129

**The Lord's Prayer**

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**The Breaking of the Bread**

*On receiving Communion: All are welcome to the Lord's table, kneeling or standing to receive. Baptized Christians may receive Communion and those not baptized or choosing not to receive may cross their arms upon their chest and receive a blessing. To receive wheat bread, extend both hands together. To receive gluten-free bread please extend one hand only. Communion may be received in "one-kind", the bread alone, remaining in place with arms crossed as the chalice comes by. You may also receive by drinking from the chalice or by intinction (carefully dipping the bread into the wine). If you need the Sacrament brought to your pew, then please notify an usher.*

**Communion Hymn # 609**

*Where cross the crowded ways of life*

**Post Communion Prayer**

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**The Blessing**

**Recessional Hymn # 544**

*Jesus shall reign where'er the sun*

**Announcements**

**Dismissal**

**Postlude: Festival Voluntary**

Flor Peeters

### Welcome to our guests!

We are happy you are visiting Grace Church. Please sign a guest card and leave it in the offering. Introduce yourself to our Clergy after the service and join us for Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall. Thank you!

### Serving this Morning

**Officiant** – The Very Reverend G. Miles Smith

**Music Director/Organist** – Joel VanderZee

**Reader** – LeAnne Brubaker

**Chaliciest** – Barclay Rives

**Ushers** – Stephanie Shellenberger & Connie Laudenschlager

**Nursery Staff** – Seleen Collins

**Vestry on Duty** – Barbara Crawford & Ralph Dammann

**Altar Guild** – Linda Crummette, Connie Pepper, Chris Melnik, & Julie Estes

### Altar Flowers

- *In Loving Memory of My Husband, David (Karen Whitcomb) and*
- *In Loving Memory of My Husband and Our Father, Deacon Don Cady (Deede & Family)*

Please sign up for Sunday service flowers given in memory of or in thanksgiving for a loved one or event. The 2023 sheet is posted in the narthex. You can also email Kathy Trossi at [ParishAdministrator@gracekeswick.org](mailto:ParishAdministrator@gracekeswick.org). Make checks payable to Grace Church Altar Guild \$75.00 per Sunday. Please feel free to share the dedication and cost of flowers that are for the same Sunday.

Poinsettias will again adorn our church for the Christmas Eve services. If you would like to place one in memory of or thanksgiving for someone please sign up in the narthex, contact the office (293-3549), or email [parishadministrator@gracekeswick.org](mailto:parishadministrator@gracekeswick.org). More information coming soon! Thanks, *The Altar Guild*

### Prayer List

Tom Faucett, Ellen Reed, Doug Wachenfeld, Lauren Wachenfeld, (Margaret Wachenfeld), Neil Horner (Chris Horner), Caryn Stefanchik (Beth Davis), Phil Ianna, Dottie Pratt, George Gaige, my brother-in-law, John Hart (Julie Russell), Jane Remington, Reverend Carol Sims, Pooh Johnson, Bob Burnett, Josephine Mazzoni, (The Bakers), Patty DuPuis, Wanda Martin, Kelly Martin (Wanda Martin's daughter in law), Elizabeth Levaca, Anne Slator Coyner, Cathy Corlis (Jill Kavanagh), Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Reverend Tige Newell (Miles Smith), Steve Manos (Jill Kavanagh), Juanita Taylor (Betsy Baten), Nancy Mastin (Don & Tucker McQueen), Sandi Byrnes (Steve Byrnes), Bill McCowen, John Fischer (Margaret Wachenfeld's brother), Ford Edson & family (Beverly Henderson), Nikki Henry (Barbara Crawford), Lily Samuels (granddaughter of Bill & Eleanor Adams), Barbara Shipman (Tara Harris), and Alison Walden.

*After the listed names, you will see the parishioner's name in parenthesis that placed the person on our prayer list. You can address the parishioner as to the wellbeing of their family member or friend. The list is revised monthly. Send changes to [ParishAdministrator@gracekeswick.org](mailto:ParishAdministrator@gracekeswick.org).*

### Birthdays & Anniversaries this Week

November 26<sup>th</sup>: Don & Tucker McQueen (1970)

November 27<sup>th</sup>: Crosby Scalise

November 28<sup>th</sup>: Mark Brown, Rohn Laudenschlager

November 29<sup>th</sup>: Seleen Collins, Alden & Marjorie Bigelow (2003)

December 2<sup>nd</sup>: Jane Baker, Jennifer Jordan

### This Week in the Parish

#### **Sunday, November 26, 2023**

9:00 am: Morning Prayer (All Saints)

10:00 am: Choir Rehearsal

11:00 am: Holy Eucharist, Rite 2 (Grace)

Noon: Coffee Hour (Team #5)

#### **Monday, November 27, 2023**

7:30 pm: AA meeting (Parish Hall)

#### **Thursday, November 30, 2023**

9:30 am: Women's Study Group (Conference Room)

7:00 pm: Choir Rehearsal

#### **Saturday, December 2, 2023**

4 pm: Outdoor Tree Lighting & Caroling Party

#### **Sunday, December 3, 2023 – First Advent**

9:00 am: Holy Eucharist, Rite 1, no music (Grace)

10:00 am: Choir Rehearsal

11:00 am: Holy Eucharist, Rite 2 (Grace)

Noon: Special Coffee Hour Recognition for Miles Smith, celebrating 10 years of Service at Grace (Coffee Hour Team #6)

4:00 pm: Three Notch'd Road Concert: English, Irish, and American Christmas

### Announcements

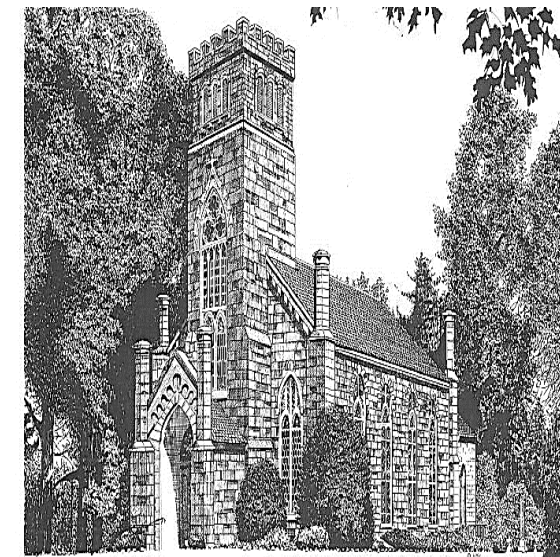
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**2024 Stewardship Campaign** - Thank you to all who have made their annual pledge to Grace. If you have not yet done so, it is not too late. Making a financial pledge is easy. Options are:

- Online - [gracekeswick.org/stewardship.html](http://gracekeswick.org/stewardship.html)
- Pick-Up a pledge form in the church narthex
- Call the Office and a pledge card will be mailed to you (434-293-3539)

Thank you,

*Don McQueen, 2024 Stewardship Chair*



We open wide the doors of this church to all who desire sincerely to worship the Eternal God whom Jesus revealed as our Heavenly Father. Through our worship we endeavor to know Jesus Christ and make Him known through our lives. We offer our church for the cure of souls who doubt and for the persuasion of those who have found faith difficult; for the encouragement of the discouraged; for the consecration of the strong, for the inspiration of all who face life daringly, and for the ever-deepening assurance of the life Eternal.

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11:00 A.M.

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