

# Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

November 10, 2024

From Bishop Bonnie:

We are not one person, we have never  
been just one person. We are the sum of us:  
the sum of all of us.

Some of us are rejoicing, filled with hope,  
others of us are doubled over in despair.

We are all of us.

Separated, divided, we perish.

Together we do not.

“Create in me a clean heart O God.

Renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence and

Take not your Holy Spirit from me.”

Psalm 51:11

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## The Word of God

**Prelude**

*Jesus is all the world to me*

-- W. Thompson

**Opening Hymn #574**

*Before thy throne, O God, we kneel*

Priest Blessed Be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**People** *And blessed be His kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

Priest Let us pray

***Almighty God, you have given us this good land for our heritage: We humbly ask that we may always prove ourselves a people mindful of your favor and glad to do your will. Bless our land with honorable industry, sound learning, and pure manners. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion; from pride and arrogance, and from every evil way. Defend our liberties, and fashion into one united people the multitudes brought out of many kindreds and tongues. Endue with the spirit of wisdom those to whom in your Name we entrust the authority of government, that there may be justice and peace at home, and that, through obedience to your law, we may show forth your praise among the nations of the earth. In the time of prosperity, fill our hearts with thankfulness, and in the day of trouble, let our trust you never fail; all which we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

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**

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***Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.***

***Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.***

***Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.***

***For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,***

***you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.***

Priest        The Lord be with you  
**People**      ***And also with you***  
Priest        Let us pray

### **The Collect of the Day**

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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 Lessons**

#### **The First Reading**

Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17

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Naomi her mother-in-law said to Ruth, "My daughter, I need to seek some security for you, so that it may be well with you. Now here is our kinsman Boaz, with whose young women you have been working. See, he is winnowing barley tonight at the threshing floor. Now wash and anoint yourself, and put on your best clothes and go down to the threshing floor; but do not make yourself known to the man until he has finished eating and drinking. When he lies down, observe the place where he lies; then, go and uncover his feet and lie down; and he will tell you what to do." She said to her, "All that you tell me I will do."

So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife. When they came together, the Lord made her conceive, and she bore a son. Then the women said to Naomi, "Blessed be the Lord, who has not left you this day without next-of-kin; and may his name be renowned in Israel! He shall be to you a restorer of life and a nourisher of your old age; for your daughter-in-law who loves you, who is more to you than seven sons, has borne him." Then Naomi took the child and laid him in her bosom, and became his nurse. The women of the neighborhood gave him a name, saying, "A son has been born to Naomi." They named him Obed; he became the father of Jesse, the father of David.

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

#### **Psalm 127**

*Nisi Dominus*

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1 Unless the Lord builds the house,  
their labor is in vain who build it.

**2 Unless the Lord watches over the city,  
in vain the watchman keeps his vigil.**

3 It is in vain that you rise so early and go to bed so late;  
vain, too, to eat the bread of toil,  
for he gives to his beloved sleep.

**4 Children are a heritage from the Lord,  
and the fruit of the womb is a gift.**

5 Like arrows in the hand of a warrior  
are the children of one's youth.

**6 Happy is the man who has his quiver full of them!  
he shall not be put to shame  
when he contends with his enemies in the gate.**

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## **The Second Reading**

Hebrews 9:24-28

Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

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

**Gradual Hymn #707**

*Take my life, and let it be*

Vs 1 before and Vs 2 after

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## **The Gospel**

Mark 12:38-44

The Gospel of the Lord according to Mark.  
***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

As Jesus taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of

them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”

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

## **The Homily**

The Reverend Sharon Voelker

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### **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.***

***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 III**

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Father, we pray for your holy catholic church;  
***That we all may be one.***

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
***That your Name may be glorified by all people.***

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; for Sean Rowe our Presiding Bishop, for Bonnie our Bishop, Bishop Mota, ELCA Bishop Donald Kreiss, for Sharon our priest, for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, including St. Patrick's in Madison

Heights and St. Martha's in Santana, DR.

***That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.***

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
***That there may be justice and peace on the earth.***

O Judge of the nations, we remember before you with grateful hearts the men and women of our country who in the day of decision ventured much for the liberties we now enjoy. Grant that we may not rest until all the people of this land share the benefits of true freedom and gladly accept its disciplines.

***We ask in the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
***That our works may find favor in your sight.***

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble, especially those on our Parish Prayer list: **Dennis; James Bender; Katie Blouin; Cindy Bouchard; Adam Bridgewater; Amy C.; Jack Coatta; Terry Coatta; Jerry Elliot; Angela Ferris; Midge Ferris; Allen Fields; Wesley Harnack; Samantha Haremza, David Kelly; Gary M.; Jerry M.; Anderson Moreno; Trisha Neuenschwander; Sydney Owen; Tom P.; Patrick; Riendl Family; Rosalie; Carolyn and Michael Roy; Benjamin Runyan; Sophia Russell; Christine Saiter; Del Saiter; Cameron Sipperley; Debra Uhl; Tom and Joyce Yarnevich; Brandon; Edward; Lucas; Leslie and Jim Richardson; Char Wall; Matthew; Lyla Joy; Laura; Patty; Father Bob Wollard; Ryan; Sharon Yates; Amanda K.; Ricky, Payton K., Pema** and for those we remember aloud or spoken silently in our hearts (pause),

Give to the departed eternal rest.  
***Let light perpetual shine upon them.***

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
***May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.***

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions.*

O Lord our Governor, bless the leaders of our land, that we may be a people at peace among ourselves and a blessing to other nations of the earth.  
***Lord, keep this nation under your care.***

To the President and members of the Cabinet, to Governors of States, Mayors of Cities, and to all in administrative authority, grant wisdom and grace in the exercise of their duties.  
***Give grace to your servants, O Lord.***

To Senators and Representatives, and those who make our laws in States, Cities, and Towns, give courage, wisdom, and foresight to provide for the needs of all our people, and to fulfill

our obligations in the community of nations.

***Give grace to your servants, O Lord.***

To the Judges and officers of our Courts give understanding and integrity, that human rights may be safeguarded and justice served.

***Give grace to your servants, O Lord.***

And finally, teach our people to rely on your strength and to accept their responsibilities to their fellow citizens, that they may elect trustworthy leaders and make wise decisions for the well-being of our society; that we may serve you faithfully in our generation and honor your holy Name.

***For yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head above all. Amen.***

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

### **The Confession of Sin**

Priest        Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

#### **Priest and 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.***

Priest        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.

### **The Peace**

Priest        The Peace of the Lord be always with you.  
***People        And also with you.***

### **The Announcements**

#### **The Holy Communion**

**Offertory**, Judy Saiter & Pat Kent        *You are my all in all*        -- L. Larson

### **The Doxology**

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

**The Great Thanksgiving**  
*The people remain standing.*

Eucharistic Prayer B

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 him 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.

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:

***Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.***

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***Hosanna in the highest.***

***Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.***

***Hosanna in the highest.***

*The people stand or kneel.*

*Then the Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People:*



***We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;***

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Andrew and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.**

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**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

## **Fraction Anthem: Lamb of God**

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The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## **Communion**

*Living Water*

-- M. Shea

*All baptized persons are invited to receive communion at God's table. If you wish to receive a blessing instead of communion, you may indicate this by crossing your arms in front of your chest at the altar. Communion can be brought to those in the pews with mobility issues. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.*

*For those who are participating through YouTube, the following prayer of “spiritual communion” may be said when actual reception of Holy Communion is not possible. It is meant to be said silently or aloud by each individual at the time when communion would normally occur.*

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving as I proclaim your resurrection. I love you above all things and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you and you in me in this life and in the life to come. Amen  
(from Washington National Cathedral; material adapted from *Prayer of St. Alphonsus Ligouri*)

### **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.***

**Closing Hymn #686**                      *Come, thou fount of every blessing*

### **The Dismissal**

**Priest**      Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
**People**    ***Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.***

**Postlude**                                      *Jesus Shall Reign*                                      -- D. Wagner

### **Events This Week**

<b>SUN-10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>MON-11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>TUES-12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>WED-13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>THUR-14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>FRI-15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>SAT-16<sup>th</sup></b>
	Mahjong - 1:00 pm  8:00 pm - AA & Al- anon	9:30-3:30 pm -Office Hours  Camera Club 7-9:00 pm	Camera Club Competition- 9-5:00 pm  7:00 pm - Choir	9:30-3:30 pm -Office Hours  Chair Yoga - 3:30 pm		

**Birthdays and Anniversaries in November**  
**Happy Anniversary**  
Ken & Pat Sasse

## **Happy Birthday**

Gaynor Whitehouse, Audrey Smith, Bob VanFleet Jr, Pam Morrison, Wren Przytulski, Carin Shaughnessy, Richard Whitehouse, Carey Ellen Ferris, John Ferris Sr.

### **SUNDAY ASSISTANCE – 10 AM**

Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup> – Ushers: Doug White, Scott Slocum  
Readers: Beth White, John Ferris Jr, Pat Kent  
Coffee Hour: *help needed*

Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup> – Ushers: John Ferris Jr., Donna Andrzejewski  
Readers: Bill Richardson, Francine Klein, Carole Wollard  
Coffee Hour: Emily and Sheila

Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup> – Ushers: Francine Klein, Justice Moor  
Readers: John Ferris Jr, Lois Vestuto, Greg Walter  
Coffee Hour: *help needed*

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Unfortunately, Greg Walter and Jack Chaney are both out of town this weekend which means we do not have anyone to run our streaming equipment. If anyone would like to learn how to work the equipment, please contact either one of them upon their return.

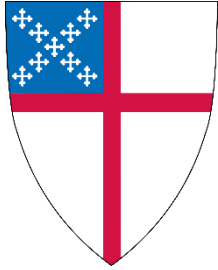
Healing services are on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday during Communion at the 10:00 am service.

Treesgiving Foundation is a volunteer run organization that provides tabletop Christmas trees to local seniors, homebound, and families in need. They believe that nobody should go without a Christmas tree for the holidays. They would appreciate new or gently used tree trimming décor (no lights) or monetary donations. There is a basket in the Narthex that you may place tree décor, they will be taking donations until the end of December. Also, if you are aware of anyone who is homebound or could benefit from a tree, please contact Lois Vestuto or Emily Hack as soon as possible so that arrangements can be made.

The 2025 Stewardship Campaign has begun. Please be thinking of what this community means to you and how you can help in its success.

The Vestry is searching for new members. Three people are going off the vestry this year. If you are interested in being on the Vestry, please let the Vestry know.

It's that time again...Companion submissions are due. Please email those ASAP to Emily in the office or to Greg Walter (itsgregwalter@gmail.com)



# St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

## Sunday Worship Schedule

**10:00 am**  
Choral

YouTube service and Sunday School are available  
*Details can be found on our website or join our email  
list for information direct to your inbox!*

**The Rev. Sharon Voelker**  
Interim Priest in Charge

**Music Director/Organist:** Sherri Brown  
Elizabeth Heilig, Chancel Choir Accompanist

**Vestry:**

Jack Chaney, Senior Warden  
Greg Walter, Junior Warden

Gail Fleming, Emily Hack, Dani Hamm, Pat Kent,  
Scott Slocum, Audrey Smith, Carole Wollard

Joelle Chaney, Clerk  
Judy Rowcliffe, Treasurer