Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist

NOVEMBER 8TH, 2026



Church of the Apostles

COPPELL, TEXAS

The Rt. Rev. Robert Price, Bishop
The Rev. Tim Cherry, Rector

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

HOLY FATHER, GREAT CREATOR

GRISWOLD/SMART

Holy Father, great Creator, source of mercy, love, and peace,
Look upon the Mediator, clothe us with His righteousness;
Heavenly Father, heavenly Father, through the Savior hear and bless.

Holy Jesus, Lord of glory, whom angelic hosts proclaim,
While we hear Thy wondrous story, meet and worship in Thy Name,
Dear Redeemer, dear Redeemer, in our hearts Thy peace proclaim.

Holy Spirit, Sanctifier, come with unction from above,
Touch our hearts with sacred fire, fill them with the Savior's love.
Source of comfort, Source of comfort, cheer us with the Savior's love.

God the Lord, through every nation let Thy wondrous mercies shine.
In the song of Thy salvation every tongue and race combine.
Great Jehovah, great Jehovah, form our hearts and make them thine.

THE WORD OF GOD

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

PEOPLE **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. 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.**

PRAISE SONG

GREAT IS THE LORD

MICHAEL & DEBORAH SMITH

Great is the Lord, He is holy and just,
By His power we trust in His love.
Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true,
By his mercy He proves He is love.

Chorus 1
Great is the Lord and worthy of glory,
Great is the Lord and worthy of praise.
Great is the Lord, now lift up your voice, now lift up your voice:
Great is the Lord! Great is the Lord!

Chorus 2
Great are You Lord and worthy of glory,
Great are You Lord and worthy of praise.
Great are You Lord, I lift up my voice, I lift up my voice:
Great are You Lord! Great are You Lord!
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THE COLLECT

OFFICIANT The Lord be with you.
PEOPLE **And also with you.**
OFFICIANT 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

READER **1 Thessalonians 4:13-18**

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command,

with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

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

THE HOLY GOSPEL

PRIEST The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
PEOPLE **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, “Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, ‘Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ But the wise replied, ‘No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.’ And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ But he replied, ‘Truly I tell you, I do not know you.’ Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.” *(Matthew 25: 1-13)*

PRIEST The Gospel of the Lord.
PEOPLE **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

SERMON

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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;
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.

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;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

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.

With Bishop Price, we pray for those from our Diocesan family still in immigration detention. We pray for all of those on our parish prayer list, and we invite you to lift up other names or needs now, whether you are in person or online… Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. *You may add your own petitions… Please pray loudly enough for others to hear and add their "Amen"… (The Celebrant will add concluding petitions.)*

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

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. **Amen**.

CELEBRANT The peace of the Lord be always with you.
PEOPLE **And also with you.**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY

THE DOXOLOGY

Genevan Psalter, 1551 (Old Hundredth)

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

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 ... Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn proclaim the glory of your Name:

CELEBRANT AND PEOPLE **SANCTUS** *Darnell*

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed † is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the Highest.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent *Jesus Christ*, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his 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 him. 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 with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. 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 forever. **Amen**.

CELEBRANT And now as our savior Jesus Christ has taught us, are bold to pray *(in song)*

CELEBRANT AND PEOPLE **THE LORD'S PRAYER** *Pulkingham*

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,
Your kingdom come, Your will be done, On earth as in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours … Now and forever, Amen. Amen.

CELEBRANT Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
PEOPLE **Therefore let us keep the feast.**
CELEBRANT The † Gifts of God for the People of God.

COMMUNION

All Christians are welcome to receive communion. You may request a priestly blessing or prayer for healing at the altar rail by simply raising one hand.

10,000 Reasons

Myrin & Redman

Refrain
Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; worship His holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship Your holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning,
It's time to sing Your song again.
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me,
Let me be singing when the evening comes. *(Refrain)*

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger.
Your name is great and Your heart is kind.
For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing;
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. *(Refrain)*

And on that day, when my strength is failing,
The end draws near, and my time has come;
Still, my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten Thousand Years, and then for evermore! *(Refrain)*

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior *Jesus Christ*; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

PRIESTLY BLESSING

RECESSIONAL

IN CHRIST ALONE

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In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.
My Comforter, my all in all,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless Babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save.
'Til on the cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied.
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid;
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world, by darkness slain;
Then, bursting forth in glorious day,
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory,
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine,
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the pow'r of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand;
'Til He returns or calls me home,
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

PRIEST Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
PEOPLE **Thanks be to God.**

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