

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

NOVEMBER 19TH, 2023 10:00 A.M.

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

PRAISE & WORSHIP		Screen
PROCESSIONAL	<i>“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”</i>	Hymnal #290
OPENING ACCLAMATION		BCP 355
GLORIA		Hymnal #S-280
THE COLLECT OF THE DAY		BCP 236
FIRST LESSON		Judges 4:1-7
THE PSALM		PSALM 123
SECOND LESSON		1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
SEQUENCE HYMN	<i>“We Gather Together”</i>	Hymnal #433
THE HOLY GOSPEL		Matthew 25:14-30
SERMON		The Rev. Lee Miller
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COLLECT & LESSONS

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 236

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.*

FIRST LESSON

Judges 4:1-7

The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the Lord, after Ehud died. So the Lord sold them into the hand of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-hagoiim. Then the Israelites cried out to the Lord for help; for he had nine hundred chariots of iron, and had oppressed the Israelites cruelly twenty years.

At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites came up to her for judgment. She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali, and said to him, “The Lord, the God of Israel, commands you, ‘Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin’s army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops; and I will give him into your hand.’”

THE PSALM

PSALM 123

- 1 To you I lift up my eyes, *
to you enthroned in the heavens.
- 2 As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, *
and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,
- 3 So our eyes look to the Lord our God, *
until he show us his mercy.
- 4 Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy, *
for we have had more than enough of contempt,
- 5 Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, *
and of the derision of the proud.

SECOND LESSON

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, “There is peace and security,” then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 25:14-30

Jesus said, “It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master’s money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, ‘Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.’ His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.’ And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, ‘Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.’ His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.’ Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, ‘Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.’ But his master replied, ‘You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’”

PRAYERS

BIRTHDAYS: Carlotta Maison, Sharon Bakay, Jacqueline Davis, Diane Vogel, Isabel DeTringo, Faithe Silver, Cis Gammons

ANNIVERSARIES: Richard & Jo Ann Beebee

THE SICK: Ed Patrick, Sandi Buyak, Jo Arendt, Carol Croll, Linda Jean Warring, Sandra Bowers, Joe Fairchild, Lisa Watson, Mary Lou Jones, Sally Sutton, Mary Soja, Linda Cardillo, Shelia Turpin Benter, Raymond Barrett

SERVING TODAY

FLOWERS:	Flower Guild
ALTAR GUILD:	Joy Johnson, Maggie Pliska, Betty Burke
A/V BOOTH:	Howard Roshaven, Trevor Warner
MUSICIANS:	SJD's Praise Band & Chancel Choir, D.J. Holt
READERS:	Greg & Paulette Diehl, Barbara Gingrich
EUCH. MIN.:	Dennis Accardo, Sharon Van Loan, Susan Morgan
USHERS:	Doug Roderick, Steve Van Loan
KITCHEN HELPERS:	The Team

STAFF

The Rev. Lee Miller	Priest in Charge
The Rev. Carl Buxo	Assisting Priest
Mrs. Valerie Southwell	Music Director
Mr. Howard Roshaven	Interim Praise Leader
Ms. Connie Minnoe	Financial Administrator
Ms. Cheryl Savini	Receptionist
Mr. Tristan Warner	Media/Tech Specialist
Mr. Aubrey Thompson	Verger
Mr. D.J. Holt	Cantor
Ms. Vivian Smalls	Nursery Coordinator
Ms. Denise Smalls	Nursery Attendants

THE HOLY COMMUNION

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER A



OFFERTORY	If you wish to give online, please scan or click the above QR Code	
ANTHEM	<i>“We Thank You, Lord”</i> by Price/Besig	Chancel Choir
PRESENTATION	<i>Doxology (Old 100th)</i>	Screen
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING		BCP 361
SANCTUS		Hymnal #S-129
THE LORD’S PRAYER		BCP 364
FRACTION ANTHEM		Hymnal #S-164
COMMUNION HYMNS	<i>“Take A Little Time”</i> <i>“Give Thanks”</i> by Smith/Fettke <i>“I Am The Bread of Life”</i> <i>“Deck Thyself, My Soul, With Gladness”</i>	Screen Soloist Hymnal #335 Hymnal #339
POST COMMUNION PRAYER		BCP 365
RECESSIONAL	<i>“Now Thank We All Our God”</i>	Hymnal #397
DISMISSAL		BCP 366
POSTLUDE	<i>“Recessional on ‘Now Thank We All Our God’</i> by Bach	Organ

SJD WEEKLY SCHEDULE

**HEALING CENTER OPEN TUESDAY & THURSDAY 10 A.M. TO 4 P.M.
EVERY WEEKDAY AT 10 AM YOU MAY JOIN US
IN THE SANCTUARY FOR WORSHIP.**

Sun. Nov 19	Newcomers Sunday	
	Holy Eucharist Rite 1 Sanctuary	8:00a.m.
	Adult Bible Study – Wilder Room	9:00 a.m.
	Nursery Opens – Nursery	9:45 a.m.
	Divine Jewelry Shop – Sunday School Room	9:30 a.m.
	Holy Eucharist Rite 2 – Sanctuary	10:00 a.m.
	Holy Eucharist Rite 2 – Aston Gardens	6:00 p.m.
Mon. Nov 20	Outreach Committee – Wirick Room	10:30 a.m.
Wed. Nov 22	Divine Jewelry Shop – Sunday School Room	9:00 a.m.
	Holy Eucharist / Healing Service – Sanctuary	10:00 a.m.
	Bible Study – Wirick Room	11:00 a.m.
	Faithful Followers – Dons’ Room	12:00 p.m.
	Choir Rehearsal – Sanctuary	2:00 p.m.
	Small Group Gathering – Healing Center	6:30 p.m.
Thur. Nov 23	Thanksgiving Day Office Closed	
Sat. Nov 25	Divine Jewelry Shop – Sunday School Room	9:00 a.m.
Sun. Nov 26	Holy Eucharist Rite 1 Sanctuary	8:00a.m.
	SJD Breakfast – Parish Hall	9:00 a.m.
	Blood Pressure Checks – Parish Hall	9:00 a.m.
	Adult Bible Study – Wilder Room	9:00 a.m.
	Nursery Opens – Nursery	9:45 a.m.
	Divine Jewelry Shop – Sunday School Room	9:30 a.m.
	Holy Eucharist Rite 2 – Sanctuary	10:00 a.m.
	Holy Eucharist Rite 2 – Aston Gardens	6:00 p.m.

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