



Thanksgiving Eve  
November 24, 2021 ~ 7pm



*Please check your mobile devices to make sure that they are in silent mode before the service begins.*

*Once you enter the church, please maintain the silence before the liturgy begins. In the Episcopal tradition, we use this time to pray, reflect, and prepare for worship. “BCP” refers to the Book of Common Prayer. The + symbol indicates an appropriate time to make the sign of the Cross. Many people bow while saying the italicized words in the Nicene Creed and when the Name of Jesus is said if they are standing instead of kneeling. These practices are not required, and they are noted as a convenience for those who choose to do so.*

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**PRELUDE** *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* Dr. Brett Judson  
(FAITHFULNESS) by William Runyan (1870-1957),  
arranged by Diane Bish (b. 1941)

*Please stand at the ringing of the bell.*

*Celebrant* +Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. BCP 355  
*People* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

**OPENING HYMN** *Come, ye thankful people, come* Hymnal #290  
(*St. George's, Windsor*)

**THE COLLECT FOR PURITY** BCP 355

*Celebrant* 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.**

**SUMMARY OF THE LAW** Matthew 22:37-40

Hear what our Lord *Jesus* Christ tells us: “You shall love the Lord your  
God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’  
This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: ‘You  
shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ On these two commandments hang  
all the law and the prophets.”

# THE GLORIA

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1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and  
 peace to his peo-ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven-ly King, al-  
 might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we  
 praise you for your glo-ry. 3. Lord Je-sus Christ,  
 on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4, you  
 take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;  
 5, you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-  
 ceive our prayer. 6. For  
 you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,  
 7, you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the  
 Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of  
 God the Fa-ther. A - - - men.

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*(Kneeling or standing)*

Almighty and gracious Father, we give you thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labors of those who harvest them. Make us, we pray, faithful stewards of your great bounty, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need, to the glory of your Name; through *Jesus* Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## FIRST LESSON

Joel 2:21-27

Do not fear, O soil; be glad and rejoice, for the LORD has done great things! Do not fear, you animals of the field, for the pastures of the wilderness are green; the tree bears its fruit, the fig tree and vine give their full yield. O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the LORD your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the LORD your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the LORD, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 126

- 1 When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, \*  
then were we like those who dream.
- 2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, \*  
and our tongue with shouts of joy.
- 3 Then they said among the nations, \*  
“The LORD has done great things for them.”
- 4 The LORD has done great things for us, \*  
and we are glad indeed.
- 5 Restore our fortunes, O LORD, \*  
like the watercourses of the Negev.
- 6 Those who sowed with tears \*  
will reap with songs of joy.
- 7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, \*  
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

## SECOND LESSON

1 Timothy 2:1-7

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For

there is one God;  
there is also one mediator between God and humankind,  
Christ *Jesus*, himself human,  
who gave himself a ransom for all

—this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

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

*Please stand.*

**SEQUENCE HYMN** *We plow the fields, and scatter*

Hymnal #291  
*(Wir pflugen)*

**GOSPEL**

Matthew 6:25-33

*Reader* The Holy Gospel of our Lord *Jesus* Christ  
according to Saint Matthew.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

*Jesus* said, “I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, ‘What will we eat?’ or ‘What will we drink?’ or ‘What will we wear?’ For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.”

*Reader* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**THE SERMON**

the Rev’d Todd Bruce

*Please stand.*

**THE NICENE CREED**

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**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.**

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;

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

For our president, Joe; our governor, Gavin; our mayor, Mike; for all who govern and hold authority; and for this community, the nation, and the world;

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

For the just and proper use of your creation;

**For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

**For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

**For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Megan our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;

**For all who serve God in God's Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*The People may add their own petitions and intercessions, silently or aloud.*

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, silently or aloud.*

We will exalt you, O God our King;

**And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

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

*The People may add their own intercessions, silently or aloud.*

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.**

#### ABSOLUTION

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*Celebrant* +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.**

#### THE PEACE

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

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### OFFERTORY SENTENCE

BCP 376

*If you would like to make an offering to the church, or if you would like to submit a visitor's card on your way out today, please use the red boxes on the front doors.*

**OFFERTORY** *All things bright and beautiful*

Trinity Choir

words by Mrs. C. F. Alexander (1818-1895),  
music by John Rutter (b. 1945)

Refrain:

*All things bright and beautiful,  
All creatures great and small,  
All things wise and wonderful,  
The Lord God made them all.*

*Each little flower that opens,  
Each little bird that sings,  
He made their glowing colours,  
He made their tiny wings. [Refrain]*

*The purple-headed mountain,  
The river running by,  
The sunset and the morning,  
That brightens up the sky;*

*The cold wind in the winter,  
The pleasant summer sun,  
The ripe fruits in the garden,  
He made them every one: [Refrain]*

*He gave us eyes to see them,  
And lips that we might tell  
How great is God Almighty,  
Who has made all things well. [Refrain]*

*Please stand.*

## DOXOLOGY

Hymnal #380, v. 3

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), para. of Psalm 117. St. 3, Thomas Ken (1637-1711)  
Music: *Old 100th*, melody from *Pseaumes octante trois de David*, 1551, alt.; harm. after Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?)

*Celebrant* All things come of you, O Lord,  
*People* **And of your own have we given you.**

## EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

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*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 God thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. (*A proper preface is said here.*) 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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly,  
 ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the  
 high - est. +Bless - ed is he who  
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

*The people kneel or stand.*

*Celebrant* 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."<sup>+</sup>

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."<sup>+</sup>

*Celebrant*

Therefore, according to his com - mand, O Fa - ther,

*Celebrant and People*

We re - mem - ber his death, We pro - claim his re - sur -  
 rec - tion, We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.

*Celebrant* 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 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.**

## FRACTION ANTHEM

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*Celebrant*

Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

*People*

There-fore let us keep the feast.

## INVITATION

BCP 364

*Celebrant* 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

*All baptized Christians, regardless of age or denomination, are invited to receive Communion in the Episcopal Church; if you are not baptized but feel called to Communion, please speak to one of the clergy. The appropriate response when receiving the bread is "Amen." Those who do not wish to receive Communion may come up and cross their arms in front of their chest to receive a blessing, or you may remain in your pew.*

## ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

**My *Jesus*, I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you were already there, I embrace you and unite myself wholly to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.**

COMMUNION HYMN *O Food to pilgrims given* Hymnal #309  
(*O Welt, ich muss dich lassen*)

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER  
(*Kneeling or standing*)

BCP 366

**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 for ever. Amen.**

## THE BLESSING

*(Kneeling or standing)*

*Celebrant* The blessing of God Almighty+, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you this day and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*Please stand.*

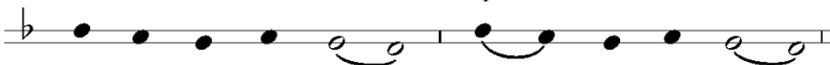
**CLOSING HYMN** *Now thank we all our God*

Hymnal #397  
*(Nun danket alle Gott)*

## THE DISMISSAL

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*Celebrant* *People*



Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.

**POSTLUDE** *Nun danket alle Gott, Op. 64, No. 13*  
by Sigfrid Karg-Elert (b. 1877-1933)

Dr. Brett Judson



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