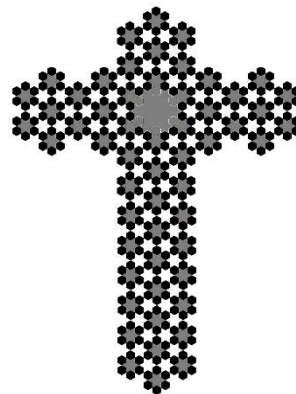


TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 12, 2023

10:00 AM Service

Holy Communion: Rite II



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Sunday Services at 8 and 10 AM • Wednesday at 6 PM

Our Sunday 10 AM service is livestreamed

WELCOME TO GOOD SHEPHERD

Restrooms: Handicap-accessible restrooms are located to the right as you go up the ramp through the archway across from the doors of the sanctuary.

We have gluten-free wafers available: Please tell us when you come to the altar rail.

Standing, sitting, and kneeling: Throughout the bulletin, there are invitations to stand, sit or kneel, as you choose. You are free to be seated at any time when that is best for you.

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A gentle Reminder: Please enter the Nave quietly and reverently and silence your phones.

Most of the sung music is found in the blue hymnal, *The Hymnal, 1982*. In the bulletin, an "H" indicates the hymn section of the book; an "S" indicates it's from the service music section in the front of the book.

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

VOLUNTARY

Aurore
Mignardise

Denis Bédard

from *Suite brève pour trompette et orgue*

[During the Voluntary, please prepare for worship by observing attentive silence.]

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ENTRANCE HYMN

Lord, You Give the Great Commission

ABBOT'S LEIGH

(stanzas 1,2,4,5)

Lord, you give the great commission: "Heal the sick and preach the word."

Lest the church neglect its mission, and the gospel go unheard,

help us witness to your purpose with renewed integrity:

with the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

Lord, you call us to your service: "In my name baptize and teach."

That the world may trust your promise, life abundant meant for each,

give us all new fervor, draw us closer in community:

with the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

Lord, you show us love's true measure: "Father, what they do, forgive."

Yet we hoard as private treasure all that you so freely give.

May your care and mercy lead us to a just society:

with the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

Lord, you bless with words assuring: "I am with you to the end."

Faith and hope and love restoring, may we serve as you intend,

and, amid the cares that claim us, hold in mind eternity:

with the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

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

COLLECT FOR PURITY

All 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.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS S-278

William Mathias

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

2. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

- we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
3. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
 4. you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
 5. you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
 6. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
 7. you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father, Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant 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.

All **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

The people sit.

THE FIRST READING

Joshua 24:1-3a,14-25

Lector *The First Reading is taken from Joshua chapter 24...*

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, "Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors—Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor—lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. Then I took your father Abraham from beyond the River and led him through all the land of Canaan and made his offspring many.

"Now therefore revere the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord."

Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods; for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the Lord drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God."

But Joshua said to the people, “You cannot serve the Lord, for he is a holy God. He is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions or your sins. If you forsake the Lord and serve foreign gods, then he will turn and do you harm, and consume you, after having done you good.” And the people said to Joshua, “No, we will serve the Lord!” Then Joshua said to the people, “You are witnesses against yourselves that you have chosen the Lord, to serve him.” And they said, “We are witnesses.” He said, “Then put away the foreign gods that are among you, and incline your hearts to the Lord, the God of Israel.” The people said to Joshua, “The Lord our God we will serve, and him we will obey.” So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and made statutes and ordinances for them at Shechem.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 78:1-7

TALLIS' CANON

(all singing)

**Hear, O my people, what I say; incline your ears to learn my ways;
And I will tell you parables, the mysteries of ancient days.**

**These are the things we have been told, which all our ancestors have known,
Which we will tell our children too: the glorious deeds our God has done.**

**God gave decrees, established laws for Jacob and for Israel,
Which children yet unborn must know and age to age the story tell,**

**That generations still to come, may not forget what God has done
But set their hope in God the Lord and keep God's statutes as their own.**

THE SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Lector *The Second Reading is taken from First Thessalonians chapter 4...*

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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All stand as able.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Celtic Alleluia

Fintan O'Carroll

(all sing refrain, choir on the verse)

Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Choir: Now he is living, the Christ. Out of the tomb he is risen;
He has conquered death, opened heaven to all believers. **(Refrain)**

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 25:1-13

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Deacon 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."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The people sit.

SERMON

The Rev. Whitney Burton

NICENE CREED *All stand as able.*

People

**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 *Please sit, stand, or kneel, as you prefer.*

Deacon

Gather us together, O God, that we might share the prayers, intentions, and thanksgivings of our community. We are generous with our gifts

People

Because we are Rooted in God's Abundance.

Silence

Lector

I ask your prayers for the Church, for all who worship God this day. For our clergy, our diocesan leaders, and for our congregation. We pray especially for this season in which we celebrate our stories of leadership and our support for mission... We are generous with our gifts of leadership,

People

Because we are Rooted in God's Abundance.

Silence

Lector

I ask your prayers for our Nation and all nations; for refugees fleeing climate change and war; for conflicts of resources and land; for lawmakers, peacekeepers, and informed citizens. We pray for a peaceful resolution and an end to violence in the Middle East ... We are generous with our gifts of peace,

People **Because we are Rooted in God's Abundance.**

Silence

Lector I ask your prayers for the sick, the lonely, the lost, and those who grieve. We remember those on our parish prayer list (*add names from notebook*), and those we name now in silence or aloud. We are generous with our gifts of healing,

People **Because we are Rooted in God's Abundance.**

Silence

Lector I ask your prayers for those who have died, those who are dying, and those who mourn. Especially those on our parish prayer list (*add names from notebook*), and for those we name now in silence or aloud (*leave time*).

We are generous with our gifts of support,

People **Because we are Rooted in God's Abundance.**

Silence

Lector I ask for your remembrances of thanksgivings and blessings, for we are given time, talent, and treasure to share with the world. We give thanks for the flowers given to the Glory of God, and for all the blessings of this life, especially the birthdays this coming week of Nels Auger, Nancy Belfsky, Barbara Ann Belz, Nancy Heuer, and Daniel Little. We are generous with our gratitude,

People **Because we are Rooted in God's Abundance.**

The Celebrant will add the following collect.

Celebrant Hear the prayers of your people, Creator God. May we who are blessed by so much wealth and wisdom, share our works with a world in need.

All **Amen.**

Prayers for the People were adapted from Episcopal Network for Stewardship.

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION:

Please kneel or stand as able.

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. (*Silence is kept.*)

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.**

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.

All **Amen.**

THE GREETING OF PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

All may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Please be seated.

OFFERTORY

I Am Not My Own

Craig Courtney

Nick Lipsette, Trumpet and Choir

I am not my own, not in body, not in soul, in life, nor even death. I am not my own.

I belong unto my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. I am not my own.

I am not my own. His own blood has ransomed me, from evil set me free.

For my salvation all things work together, in eternal life He gives me hope.

By the power of His Holy Spirit, I will live for Him.

I am not my own. I belong unto my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. I belong to Him,

In life, in death, my only comfort, I belong to Him, I will live for Him.

Forever and ever, forevermore.

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THE PRESENTATION

All stand as able.

Deacon We gladly present the fruits of our lives to the God who creates us, redeems us and sustains us. May we have the grace to use them to heal God's world.

PRESENTATION HYMN H-717

My Country, 'Tis of Thee

AMERICA

(stanzas 1,4)

**My country, 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty,
of thee I sing; land where my fathers died,
land of the pilgrim's pride, from every mountainside
let freedom ring.**

**Our fathers' God, to thee, author of liberty,
to thee we sing; long may our land be bright
with freedom's holy light; protect us by thy might,
great God, our King.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer A

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.**

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.

(Proper Preface)

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:

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, S-129
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.**

The Celebrant continues

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 Jesus 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:

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

The Celebrant continues

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 for ever.

People **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
People **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.

THE FRACTION ANTHEM S-161

David Hurd

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.**

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.
*All are invited to receive the Sacrament. If you would like to receive wine you may do so by sipping from the Chalice or allowing the Eucharistic Minister to intinct (dip) the wafer for you.
If you desire a blessing instead of Communion, cross your arms over your chest.*

COMMUNION

Andante tranquillo

Denis Bédard
Organ and Trumpet

COMMUNION HYMN

We Give Thee But Thine Own

SCHUMANN

**We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.**

**May we thy bounties thus as stewards true receive,
and gladly, as thou blessest us, to thee our firstfruits give.**

**The captive to release, to God the lost to bring,
to teach the way of life and peace: it is a Christ-like thing.**

**And we believe thy word, though dim our faith may be;
whate'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it unto thee.**

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant Let us pray...

All **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

THE SENDING HYMN H-324

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

PICARDY

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand;
ponder nothing earthly minded, for with blessing in his hand
Christ our God to earth descendeth, our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture, in the Body and the Blood
he will give to all the faithful his own self for heavenly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads its vanguard on the way,
as the Light of Light descendeth from the realms of endless day,
that the powers of hell may vanish as the darkness clears away.

At his feet the six-winged seraph; cherubim, with sleepless eye
veil their faces to the Presence, as with ceaseless voice they cry,
"Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, Lord Most High!"

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

Holy God We Praise Thy Name
(based on the hymn #366 in *The Hymnal, 1982*)

arr. Diane Bish

SERVING US TODAY

Celebrant	The Rev. Whitney Burton
Deacon	The Rev. Cindy Roehl
Organist/Choirmaster	Tom Huffman
Crucifer/Server	Jackson Bond
Torch/Chalicists	Lyne Henderson & Laura McGary
Lectors	Judith Auger & Heather Elder
Prayers of the People	Mary Ratliff
Ushers	Jim & Mary Ratliff
Building & Grounds	Robin Megel
Welcome Table	Robin Megel, Lynne Henderson, Anne Punch
Trumpet	Nick Lipsette

Prayers are requested for:

The Week of Nov 5 – Diane N, Leslie P, Cheryl, Nikki, Jeanne, Summer, Martha & Vic H, Dave P, Priscilla, Carol Z, Dylan, Kipling, Krista S, Jason C, Gail-Marie, CGC Mission Trip, Tina, Carol H, Ernie, Heather S, Bonnie L, David C, Colette S, Lou F, Cindy D, Bob S, Oleana & family, Milly L, Elena G, Daniel S, Christopher J, Bill D, Nicolina, Consuelo, Jim W, Chris & Steve, Carol W, Terry D, Phil B, Carol B, David M, Bill GW.

Celebrations this week: Birthdays – Nels Auger, Nancy Belfsky, Barbara Ann Belz, Nancy Heuer, and Daniel Little.

Announcements

COGS would like to say a special thank you to all of the veterans of the Armed Forces. We are grateful for your service to this country, for your sacrifice, and honor you on this Veteran's Day.

Stewardship Ingathering: Today we will be gathering and blessing the remaining pledges for our annual Stewardship Campaign. It's not too late, you can still turn in your card. If needed, there are pledge cards available in the pews and at the back of the church or you can call the church office to have one sent to you.

Dunedin Community Thanksgiving Service: COGS will host this year on Thursday, Nov 16 at 6:30pm. This is a great way to bring our community together, as several churches of Different denominations from Dunedin participate, so we hope you will join us!

Game Night: Join us Friday, Nov 17 at 6:00pm in the Patio Room as we play your favorites and/or learn new games. Please RSVP to the office as a light supper will be provided for attendees. Bring your own beverage and a game to share.

Craft & Quilt Sale: Saturday, Nov 18 & Sunday, Nov 19 from 9:00am till 3:00pm in the Patio Room and courtyard.

Holiday Jolley Trolley Christmas Lights Tour: Thursday, Dec 21 at 6:30pm we will meet in the church parking lot for some holiday fun viewing Christmas lights from the Jolley Trolley. Tickets are \$30.00 per person and space is reserved with payment. We have very limited spots left available, but will also take a waitlist once full. Reservations and payment can be made online or send your check into the office. Contact the church office for more info.

Today, November 12, our Organist/Choirmaster, Tom Huffman will be sharing in a concert on the new Casavant pipe organ recently installed and dedicated at St. Alfred's Episcopal Church. The concert begins at 4:00 p.m. and everyone is welcome.