

The 24th Sunday after Pentecost ~ November 23, 2025

Christ the King Sunday ~ Holy Eucharist Rite 2

Opening Hymn: #494 "Crown Him with many Crowns" (vs.1, 2, 5)

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

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever

Glory to God #S-280

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

Collect of the Day: Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson: Jeremiah 23:1-6

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

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

The Psalm: Psalm 46

- 1 God is our refuge and strength, *
a very present help in trouble.**
- 2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, *
and though the mountains be
toppled into the depths of the sea;**
- 3 Though its waters rage and foam, *
and though the mountains tremble at its tumult.**
- 4 The Lord of hosts is with us; *
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.**
- 5 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, *
the holy habitation of the Most High.**
- 6 God is in the midst of her; she shall not be overthrown; *
God shall help her at the break of day.**
- 7 The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are shaken; *
God has spoken, and the earth shall melt away.**
- 8 The Lord of hosts is with us; *
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.**
- 9 Come now and look upon the works of the Lord, *
what awesome things he has done on earth.**
- 10 It is he who makes war to cease in all the world; *
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear,
and burns the shields with fire.**
- 11 "Be still, then, and know that I am God; *
I will be exalted among the nations;
I will be exalted in the earth."**
- 12 The Lord of hosts is with us; *
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.**

The Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

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

Sequence Hymn: #660 "O Master Let me walk with Thee"

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ

The Holy Gospel: Luke 23:33-43

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. The people stood by, watching Jesus on the cross; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him,

coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

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

Sermon

The Rev. Ronald Kolanowski

The Nicene Creed

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Prayers of the People

Leader: Holy God, source of life and fire of love, in this season of Pentecost, we ask you to hear our prayer as we open our hearts to you.

We pray for the church; for our Presiding Bishop, Sean; for our bishops, Jeff and Laura; for Ron, our priest; for Doug our seminarian; for Donna and Marge, our deacons, for all deacons and priests, and for the entire people of God.

Silence

Spirit of Love

Hear our prayer.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for All Saints', Wolcott; St. Paul's, Woodbury; Grace, Yantic; The Program & Budget Committee; for the Faith & Order Commission; *The Anglican Church in New Zealand & Polynesia.*

Silence

Spirit of Love

Hear our prayer.

We pray for those whose lives closely touch our own. May they be in our hearts and have joy and happiness in their lives. We pray for those celebrating their birthdays this week (Sophia Perkins 11/25, Allison Carey 11/27, Emma O'Shea 11/28, Marcia Eaton 11/29), and for those celebrating anniversaries especially Debbie Wilson & Darlene McDonald (11/26).

Silence

Spirit of Love

Hear our prayer.

We pray with thanks for all those in our community have asked for our prayers. We pray especially for Darlene, Ellen B. and Family, Chris B., Charlene, Bonnie R., Bob ManWarren, John Viklinetz and for those on our Continuing Prayer list.

Silence

Spirit of Love

Hear our prayer.

We pray for all the leaders of the world that they may make wise choices for everyone and that they may lead us to honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Spirit of Love

Hear our prayer.

We pray for your wonderful creation, the Earth, and its streams, trees, mountains, and plants and for the animals of the Earth.

Silence

Spirit of Love

Hear our prayer.

We pray for those who have died remembering especially Judy Knowlton and Clyde Conrad. We pray for those who suffer the loss of family, friends, and neighbors that they may be comforted by those who love them.

Silence

Spirit of Love

Hear our prayer.

Presider: For what else shall we pray this day?

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Confession (*in unison*)

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The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Announcements

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

Celebrant: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself
for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Hymn: #495 “Hail, thou once despised Jesus”

The Great Thanksgiving

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Eucharistic Prayer A

Sanctus: S-130 "Holy, holy, holy Lord"

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues: Holy and Gracious Father... Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say

The Lord's Prayer

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The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Fraction Anthem S-164

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

The musical score is written for three systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the vocal lines. The first system ends with a repeat sign, and the second system ends with a double bar line.

Communion Hymn: #335 "I am the bread of life"

Post Communion Prayer

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The Blessing

Recessional Hymn: #460 "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus" (vs. 1, 2, 5)

Dismissal

People: Thanks be to God

Prayers and Thanksgivings for the Last Sunday after Pentecost

We pray for our clergy: Presiding Bishop Sean; Jeff & Laura, the Bishops of Connecticut; for our priest Ron; Doug, our seminarian, our deacons Marge & Donna; and for all bishops, priests and deacons;

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for All Saints', Wolcott; St. Paul's, Woodbury; Grace, Yantic; The Program & Budget Committee; for the Faith & Order Commission; *The Anglican Church in New Zealand & Polynesia*.

In St Peter's Cycle of Prayer, we pray for all our parish family and those who have requested our prayers especially Charlene, Ellen B. and Family, Darlene, Chris B., Bonnie R., Bob ManWarren, John Viklinetz.

We pray for those who have died, remembering especially Judy Knowlton and Clyde Conrad. We pray for those who suffer the loss of family, friends, and neighbors that they may be comforted by those who love them.

We pray for those who celebrate their birthdays this week, especially Sophia Perkins 11/25, Allison Carey 11/27, Emma O'Shea 11/28, Marcia Eaton 11/29, and for those celebrating anniversaries especially Debbie Wilson & Darlene McDonald (11/26).

Continuing Prayer List

Ann, Dolores, Michael H, Carolyn Aubin, Eileen, Bonnie R., Renee, Fran, Hannah Janowiak, Sarah, Leslie Vallee, Kelly Johnson, Mario, Maria, John Lumsden, Rosemarie, David Rigby, Roberto Rodegher, Linda Snarski, Len & Kim Begin, Sheila, Peter & Barbara Farren, Andrew, Peggy Cobb & family, Adrian Mandeville, Neal, Loretta, Robin, Brenda, Jim, Richard Taylor, Judy Knox, Star, Norm, Aimee Goodrich, Justin, Derek Anderson, Janet Nixon, Bill D., Steve Dubin, Ryan, Marlin Corbean; Brian; Kathryn & Olivia; Caroline, Ron Lamp, Lou & Heidi Schluntz, Ambrosio Vidal & Family, Jeannette Farren, Rina Bettancourt; Susan Hicks & family.

WAIM Walk for Warmth Sunday, November 23, 2025

In past years St. Peter's has sponsored a team by donating in support of our men's hiking group and a hiking group sponsored by Amy Stone. However, this year neither group is actively hiking and the leaders are under the weather at present. Last time we did this we set a goal of raising \$500 and raised \$710. **What I'm proposing is that we all put our support behind the Hebron team sponsored by The Church of the Holy Family and St. Columba's in Columbia. Of course anyone can walk on their own, but by supporting our team at the Catholic Church we will be adding sorely needed funds especially now with various cuts that are forcing people to choose between food, medicine or heat this winter.** Please be generous and donate to the link below sponsored by our sister congregation in Hebron. Attached is the flyer. Copy and Paste the link into your browser. **Church of the Holy Family/St Columba**
<https://www.pledgereg.com/5673/Team/30445>

Interfaith Thanksgiving Service, Sunday, November 23, 2025

7:00p.m. Church of the Holy Family, Hebron

For many years Hebron faith communities have come together to give thanks for all the abundant blessings of our lives. Last year St. Peter's hosted the service. It is the Church of the Holy Family's turn. We strongly encourage you all to come and join us for this annual time of prayer and giving thanks.

Also, we strongly encourage people to bring food for HIHS food pantry. The numbers of clients served has significantly increased due to cuts and uncertainty. I'm encouraging us to bring canned fruit. It is one of the most sought-after items and rarely donated. As a suggestion canned fruit at ALDI's is about half the cost of other stores. So that's where I'm going to buy a case for the service.

Come to the St. Nicholas Fair

December 6, from 9-3

Wreathes, gifts, crafts, Bake table, RADA Cutlery, Greened cemetery boxes and centerpieces. Vendor tables with their unique offerings.

Have your picture taken with Santa Claus. Enjoy lunch with the chef's famous Clam or Corn Chowder & a selection of Sandwiches. Coffee, cocoa, and cold drinks.

