



TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Holy Eucharist, Rite II, Year A
November 19, 2023, 10AM

Welcome!

We are happy to worship with you,
and honored to have you with us!

Our liturgy comes from the Book of Common Prayer.
Everything you will need for this service is contained
in this bulletin and the blue Hymnal.

*The altar decorations today are given to the Glory of God
and in thanksgiving for the baptisms on November 5 of
Cooper James Davis, Cole Andrew Bottino Dean,
& Leo Ryan Bottino Dean
by the Dean Family.*

*Children begin in service with their families,
and will be invited to Sunday School
by Miss Kathryn in Nieman Hall.
The children will rejoin the service at the Peace.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The assembly is seated for the readings.

THE FIRST LESSON

Judges 4:1-7

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 123

Refrain is sung first by choir then repeated by all, and as indicated.

Anglican Chant

Refrain



Our eyes look to the Lord our God, plead-ing for his mer-cy.

To you I lift up my eyes, *
to you enthroned in the heavens.

As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, *
and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress, *Refrain*

Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy, *
for we have had more than enough of contempt,

Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich, *
and of the derision of the proud. *Refrain*

THE SECOND LESSON

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand.

SEQUENCE ALLELUIA

*Sung by all, before and after
the choir sings the verse*

Taizé



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

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 25:14-30

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

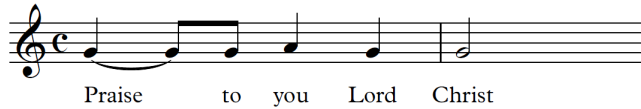
People



Glo - ry to you Lord Christ

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People



Praise to you Lord Christ

The people sit.

SERMON

THE NICENE CREED

BCP, p. 358

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

The Leader offers intercessions on behalf of the congregation; during the silences the people may add their own petitions, silently or aloud.

Each petition concludes ...Lord, in your mercy,
People respond **hear our prayer.**

Leader “...and to you we give glory through Jesus Christ our Lord.” **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

BCP, p. 360

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

The people kneel or sit.

Celebrant and 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.**

After the Absolution is said, the people respond **Amen.**

The people stand.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The people greet one another in the name of the Lord.

WORDS OF WELCOME



*Offerings of Grace from our
Stewardship Season from this week*

God has filled my life with Grace:

- Seeing our kids grow in their lives in Christ.
We love the fellowship found at Grace Church for our family.
- Offering an incredible supportive and spiritual community for our family.
- His love and devotion throughout my life.

My friends at Grace can pray for:

- The blessing of peace.
- The hope that the younger generation will continue to attend church in person and understand the importance of praying as a community.
- Our family's continued health and happiness.
- All the Ukrainians, Israelis and those in the Gaza Strip.



Read about the music in our service:
www.annematlack.wordpress.com

Today's Prayers of The People were authored by Cali Yost.

Grace Calendar Highlights

See www.gracemadison.org for more details.

Monday, November 20

7PM, Women's Book Group, Library

7PM, Finance Committee, Grace Hall

Tuesday, November 21, 7PM Crafting Group, Crafting Room

Thursday, November 23, 10AM Thanksgiving Eucharist, Church

Saturday, November 25, Madison Holiday Arts Festival

2:30-3PM Concert with Daughters of Zion, *Sanctuary*

Tuesday, November 28, Circle of Women, Library

Wednesday, November 29, Winter Bible Study Begins (five weeks)

A Gospel without Christmas? The Good News of Mark at 10:30AM in person and 7PM via Zoom.

Sunday, December 3

4PM, St. Nicholas Mass. Following the service, we will have refreshments and make Advent Wreaths.

*The office will be closed on Friday, November 24
in observance of Thanksgiving.*

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