Worship Leaflet for All Services

November 8, 2026

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Serving in Worship Today

8:00 AM | Markley Chapel
The Rev. Canon Stephen Rhoades, Celebrant & Preacher
Beth Traxler, Lay Reader + Tom Spooner, Soloist

10:30 AM | Historic Church
The Rev. Canon Stephen Rhoades, Preacher
The Rev. Lindy Bunch, Celebrant
Jeff Horn & Hadley Miller, Lay Readers
Gayle Saylors & Chris Klasing, Vergers
Christ Church Parish Choir
Donald W. Duncan, Director of Liturgy & Music

10:30 AM | Markley Chapel
The Rev. Scott Fleischer, Celebrant & Preacher
Valerie Riddle, Lay Reader
Tom Coker, Verger
Markley Chapel Musicians
Chase McAbee, Assistant Parish Musician

3:00 PM | Rhythms of Grace
The Rev. Lindy Bunch, Celebrant & Preacher

5:00 PM | Markley Chapel
The Rev. Peggy Muncie, Celebrant & Preacher
Fay Towell, Lay Reader + Rebekah Ruppe, Soloist
Cara Horn, Pianist

The Christ Church Altar Guild + The Christ Church Acolyte Guild

Altar Flowers
The flowers on the altar in Markley Chapel are given to the glory of Almighty God and in thanksgiving for our children and grandchildren by Doug & Beck Williams.

Welcome to Worship at Christ Church

In order to assist you in following the service, this worship leaflet provides an outline of today's liturgy. The text of the prayers and other liturgical materials can be found in the **Book of Common Prayer (BCP)**, the small red book in your pew rack. The corresponding page numbers are indicated in the worship leaflet by the abbreviation BCP. The hymns and service music can be found in the **Hymnal 1982**, the blue book in your pew rack. The corresponding numbers are indicated in the worship leaflet by *No.* or *S.*

10:30 AM

Historic Church
Holy Eucharist | Rite II
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"The Lord is in his holy temple, let all the earth keep silence before him."
Habakkuk 2:20

As we prepare for worship, we invite all members of the congregation to enter the church in a spirit of stillness. The moments before the liturgy begins are a sacred time to center our hearts, pray, and ready ourselves to encounter the presence of God. Let us honor this holy silence together, creating space for prayerful reflection for ourselves and for those around us.

The Word of God

Organ Voluntary — Donald W. Duncan, *Director of Liturgy & Music*

Hymn in Procession, No. 436 *(standing)* — *Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates*

Opening Acclamation — **Book of Common Prayer (BCP) 355**
Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity — **BCP 355**

Gloria in excelsis (Hymnal, S-280) — Robert J. Powell

Collect of the Day: Proper 27 — **BCP 236**
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
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. ***Amen.***

Scripture Lessons *(seated)*
Following the reading of each lesson:
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

During the Sequence Hymn, children in 3K through 1st grade are invited to follow the children's crucifer to St. Luke's Chapel for Children's Church. They will return to the service at the Peace.

Sequence Hymn, No. 11 *(standing)* — *Awake, my soul*

The Gospel Lesson
Before the reading of the Gospel:
The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After the reading of the Gospel:
The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon *(seated)* — The Rev. Canon Stephen Rhoades

The Nicene Creed *(standing)* — **BCP 358**

Prayers of the People: Form III *(standing)* — **BCP 387**

Confession of Sin *(kneeling)* — **BCP 360**

The Peace *(standing)* — **BCP 360**

The Holy Communion

For guidance on receiving Holy Communion, please see the instructions on the back of the Welcome Card located in the pew rack.

Offertory Sentences

Anthem at the Offertory Christ Church Parish Choir

Keep your lamps trimmed and burning, the time is drawing nigh.
Children, don't get weary, 'til your work is done.
Christian, journey soon be over, the time is drawing nigh.
Keep your lamps trimmed and burning, the time is drawing nigh.

African-American Spiritual, arr. André Thomas

Following the Anthem at the Offertory the congregation stands for the Presentation Hymn.

Presentation Hymn, No. 397, v. 3 *(standing)* *Now thank we all our God*

All praise and thanks to God
the Father now be given,
the Son, and him who reigns
with them in highest heaven,
eternal, Triune God,
whom earth and heaven adore;
for thus it was, is now,
and shall be, evermore.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A **BCP 361**

*The congregation **kneels** following the Sanctus et Benedictus.*

Sanctus et Benedictus (Hymnal, S-129) Robert J. Powell
Fraction Anthem (Hymnal, S-154) David Hurd

Communion Hymn, No. 52 *This day at thy creating word*
Communion Hymn, No. 454 *Jesus came, adored by angels*
Communion Hymn, No. 620 *Jerusalem, my happy home*

If Lay Eucharistic Visitors are sent out this week, the following is said:

The Sending Forth of Lay Eucharistic Visitors

In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood. We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

The congregation stands for the Post Communion Prayer and Blessing.

Post Communion Prayer *(kneeling)* **BCP 365**

Blessing

The Celebrant blesses the people; the congregation responds with "Amen."

Hymn in Procession, No. 490 *(standing)* *I want to walk as a child of the light*

Dismissal **BCP 366**

Organ Voluntary Donald W. Duncan
Director of Liturgy & Music

Readings for the Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
Proper 27

The First Lesson **Wisdom 6:12–16**

Wisdom is radiant and unfading,
and she is easily discerned by those who love her,
and is found by those who seek her.
She hastens to make herself known to those who desire her.
One who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty,
for she will be found sitting at the gate.
To fix one's thought on her is perfect understanding,
and one who is vigilant on her account will soon be free from care,
because she goes about seeking those worthy of her,
and she graciously appears to them in their paths,
and meets them in every thought.

The Second Lesson **1 Thessalonians 4:13-18**

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.

The Gospel Lesson **Matthew 25:1-13**

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."