



Christ the King Sunday **The Last Sunday after Pentecost**

26 November 2023 · 9:00 AM

The Chapel of the Good Shepherd
ST. JOHN'S LAFAYETTE

MORNING PRAYER

Voluntary *We Gather Together*

Craig Phillips

The Opening Sentences

The officiant begins the service with one or more of the following.

God is spirit, and those who worship must worship in spirit and in truth.

-John 4:24

The Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him.

-Habakkuk 2:20

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

-Philippians 1:2

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins to God.

God of all mercy,

**we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.**

**We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.**

**We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.**

**Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Lord, open our lips.

And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

Jubilate

Psalm 100

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serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; *

he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

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give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

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The First Reading

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Reader A reading from Ezekiel.

For thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle

The Work of the People

The Second Reading

Ephesians 1:15-23

Reader A reading from Ephesians.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel

Matthew 25:31-46

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

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

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and

his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord.
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

Hear our cry, O God.
And listen to our prayer.
Let us pray.

V. Help us, O God our Savior;
R. Deliver us and forgive us our sins.
V. Look upon your congregation;
R. Give to your people the blessing of peace.
V. Declare your glory among the nations;
R. And your wonders among all peoples.
V. Do not let the oppressed be shamed and turned away;
R. Never forget the lives of your poor.
V. Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you;
R. And your favor to those who are true of heart.
V. Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;
R. So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

The 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.**

A Collect for the Renewal of Life

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Collect for Mission

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Announcements from Good Shepherd

Announcements from St. John's

Thanksgiving for Birthdays, Anniversaries, and other Milestones

Please use the chat feature to announce birthdays, anniversaries, or other milestones to be celebrated.

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

The Dismissal

A member of the clergy dismisses the people. The people respond.

Thanks be to God.

The officiant concludes with one of the following

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.** *-2 Corinthians 13:14*

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** *-Romans 15:13*

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.** *-Ephesians 3:20,21*

Hymn Crown him with many crowns

Diademata



Parish Announcements

Revamping “Coffee Hour”

As part of a project for the College for Congregational Development, St. John’s is collecting information regarding coffee hour, and we need your help. Please take a few moments to answer the questions displayed in St. John’s Commons. Look for the easels. Look in your email inbox for a parish-wide survey, too. Thanks in advance for your help.

Greater Lafayette Episcopal Youth Group

Youth in 6th through 12th grades are invited for fun and fellowship.

- Saturday, December 2, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Jubilee Christmas Shopping, etc. (More details coming)

For more information, go to www.stjohns-laf.org/youth or contact the church office.

Jubilee Christmas is Coming!

Jubilee Christmas will be in-person at St. John’s, Lafayette on Saturday, December 9th. St. John’s and Good Shepherd will host 40 families in two shifts. The first shift will be from 9–10:30 a.m. and the second shift will be from 10:30 a.m.–noon. In addition to monetary donations, we need volunteers to make Jubilee Christmas a success. Shoppers will need to start as soon as possible to buy the gifts for the children. The other volunteer opportunities will be for the day of Jubilee in December. Use the QR codes to sign up as a Shopper or as another Volunteer. If you would like to be put on the substitute list or for additional information, contact Mary Kay McCauley at mccauley.mk3@gmail.com or 765.490.0797.



Parish Prayer List

St. John's Cycle of Prayer—Cynthy Scruggs, Jeanine Shannon and her children Emma & Arran, Bill & Jan Shoemaker, Charlie Shook, Steve & Rachel Shook and their children Lydia, Harry, & Frances

Parish Prayer List—Rosemarie Goonewardene, Sue Eichhorn, Don Nead, Janet Huber, Ginny Hull, Dean Hunter, Pam Ogorzaly, Barbara Hess, Helen Slagel, Paul Lawson, Pequita Behrnt, Douglas Campbell, Carolyn Speer, Carol Helgerman, John Howland, Alyce Dressler, John & Elizabeth Barrett, Bill McInerney, Jerry & Sandra, Terry, Lori, Martie, Joy, Ben, Judy, Rhianna, Josh, Chris, Rosemary, Deb, Paul, Marcus, Ben, Brent, Gabby, Kirsten, Pam, Wendell, Charles, Kay, Dale, and their families.

For the people of Israel and Palestine; for hostages and all innocent civilians in harm's way; for peace in all places of conflict; for the victims of violence; and for repair, understanding, and healing across our nation and in our community.

For those who have died—For all who have died, including those buried in the St. John's Memorial Garden

The leaders of our Communion—Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, the Presiding Bishop; & Jennifer our Bishop

St. John's Leadership, Staff, Clergy, & Seminarian—The Vestry, Wardens, and Volunteer staff; Amanda, Eva, Michael, & Teresa; Jason, Bradley, & Carolin

Our Ministry Partners—The Diocese of Brasilia and their bishop Mauricio and the Diocese of Haiti and St. Andre's, Mithon; The Church of Nigeria, and for those struggling with food insecurity and housing instability and our parishes that provide aid to them.

This nation and all in authority—Joe, our President; Eric, our Governor; and Tony and John, our mayors and Erin, mayor-elect

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