

THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

THE FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

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ALL ARE WELCOME HERE

*We are a welcoming, inclusive and affirming parish in the Episcopal Diocese of North Carolina.
We seek to meet and serve Christ in all people and to glorify God in our words and our actions.*

ARE YOU VISITING TODAY?

*Know that you are most welcome, and we pray that you will return to worship with us again soon!
Please do us the honor of filling out a Visitor Card, either by scanning the QR code to the right OR by filling out a physical card located in the pew rack in front of you. If you fill out a physical card, please place it in the alms basin during the offertory or hand it to an usher or to a member of the clergy as you leave today.*

Thank you!



Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

*This service bulletin is designed for use with the red Book of Common Prayer (BCP) and the blue Hymnal 1982,
both of which are located in the pew rack in front of you.*

Voluntary

Processional Hymn: Crown him with many crowns

Hymnal 494

Opening Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 355

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

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

The Collect for Purity

BCP, p. 355

Hymn of Praise: Canticle 20, Glory to God: *Gloria in Excelsis*

Hymnal S 278

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

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father;
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
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.

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 Collect of the Kids & Children's Chapel

Children ages 4 to 5th grade are invited to listen for a brief introduction to the day's liturgy or lessons. The children then depart for Children's Chapel, returning for the Eucharist.

Hymn: Soon and very soon ¹

Lift Every Voice and Sing 14

Soon and very soon we are going to see the King
Soon and very soon we are going to see the King
Soon and very soon we are going to see the King
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! We're going to see the King.

No more cryin' there...

No more dyin' there...

Soon and very soon...

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

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First Lesson

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Lector A reading from the Prophet Ezekiel.

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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

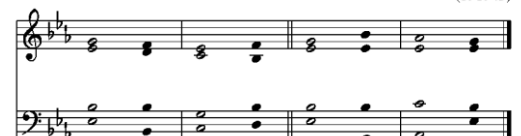
People **Thanks be to God.**

The Response

- 1 Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.
- 2 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.
- 3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise; *
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.
- 4 For the Lord is good;
his mercy is everlasting; *
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

Psalm 100, *Jubilate Deo*

Robert Knox Kennedy
(b. 1945)



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Second Lesson

Ephesians 1:15-23

Lector A reading from the letter to the 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.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn: Fairest Lord Jesus

Hymnal 383

The Gospel

Matthew 25:31-46

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord 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.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Andrew Phillips, Dcn.

The Nicene Creed

BCP, p. 358

The Prayers of the People, Form VI

BCP, p. 392

Intercessor In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

Intercessor For all people in their daily life and work;

People **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Intercessor For this community, the nation, and the world;

People **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Intercessor For the just and proper use of your creation;

People **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Intercessor For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Intercessor For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Intercessor For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Sam and Jennifer our Bishops and for all bishops; for Imogen, Joyce, Nancy, and Andrew our clergy and all other ministers. We pray for our parish and ministries and for our diocese and for UNC-Chapel Hill Campus Ministry and for Wake Forest / Salem / Winston-Salem State / UNC School of the Arts Episcopal Campus Ministry. We pray for the Anglican Communion, especially for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, and for The Church of Nigeria.

People **For all who serve God in his Church.**

Intercessor For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, remembering especially today

The congregation is invited to join the Intercessor in slowly reading aloud the following names:

Roy Wright, Carolyn Owens, Janet Gilliam, Ralph Sanders, Pete Taylor, Martha Bailey, Peggy Hawks, Ginny Byrd, Mitchell Lawrence, Darrell Dennis, Janie Ward-Newton, William Short, Julia Hall, Gigi Giersch, Catherine and Bob Williams, Fran and Paul Hoch, Justin and Logan, Brinley Harris, Don Caudill, Larry Bledsoe, Mike, Elizabeth Alexander and Family, Logan McGhee, Mike Deloatch, Mindy McIntyre, Ann Antoun, Stephanie Rivers, Carolyn Watson, Nolan Simon, Emily Bordeaux and her family, Bob Kirchgessner, The Howard Family, The Davis Family, The Coupland Family, the people of Israel and Palestine, and the people of Ukraine.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Intercessor Hear us, Lord;

People **For your mercy is great.**

Intercessor We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

Intercessor We will exalt you, O God our King;

People **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

Intercessor We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom, remembering especially John Randolph (Randy) Coupland IV.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Intercessor Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People **Who put their trust in you.**

Intercessor We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

All **Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Absolution

BCP, p. 360

The Peace

BCP, p. 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Welcome and Announcements

Today's Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Frederick & Lorraine Pierson in loving memory of Gardner Hart Pierson, Roberta Landau, Robert J. Chayne, and Billie H. Chayne.

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The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem: Rejoice, the Lord is King

Malcolm Archer

Rejoice, the Lord is King, your Lord and King adore; mortals, give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore:

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice, rejoice, again, I say, rejoice.

Jesus the Saviour reigns, the God of truth and love; when he had purged our stains, he took his seat above:

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice, rejoice, again, I say, rejoice.

His kingdom cannot fail; he rules o'er earth and heaven; the keys of death and hell are to our Jesus given:

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice, rejoice, again, I say, rejoice.

He sits at God's right hand till all his foes submit, and bow to his command and fall beneath his feet:

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice, rejoice, again, I say, rejoice.

Doxology

Old Hundredth

Praise God, from who all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heav'nly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer C

BCP, 369

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 God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People **By your will they were created and have their being.**

Celebrant From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Celebrant Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People **By his blood, he reconciled us.
By his wounds, we are healed.**

Celebrant And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus: Holy, holy, holy Lord Hymnal S 128

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
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.

Celebrant And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People **We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Celebrant Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy

Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Celebrant Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

People **AMEN.**

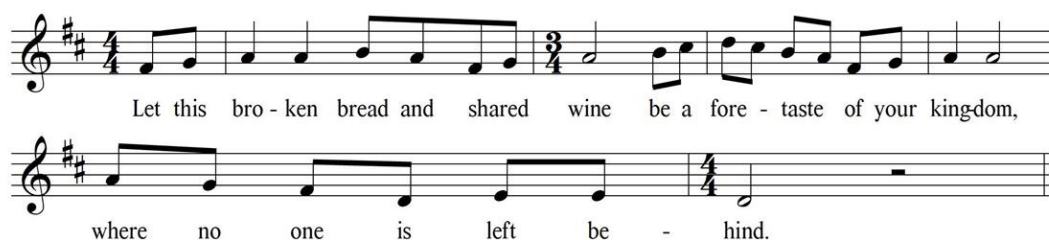
The Lord's Prayer

BCP, p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP, p. 364

The Fraction Anthem: Let this broken bread



Cantor: And at last may we come to your heavenly table
where we will join with saints and angels
at the feast you have prepared from the beginning.

Invitation and Communion

All are invited to come forward during the sharing of Holy Communion.

Where can I go to receive bread and wine by drinking from the common cup? *Please come to the left side (lectern side) of the altar rail; return to your seat via the stairs in the sacristy.*

Where can I go to receive bread and wine by intinction (having a minister dip the host in wine and place it in your hand)? *Please come to the right side (pulpit side) of the altar rail; return to your seat via the stairs by the baptismal font.*

Where can I go to receive only the bread? *Please come to either location and tell the server "only bread."*

Where can I go to receive gluten-free bread? *Please come to either location and ask for gluten free.*

Where can I go to receive a blessing? *Please come to either location and cross your arms over your chest.*

How can I ask for communion to be brought to me? *Please ask an usher to receive by intinction in your seat.*

Communion Hymns:

The King of love my shepherd is
Where cross the crowded ways of life

Hymnal 645

Hymnal 609

Sending out of Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, we 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.

People **Because we who are many are one body in Christ. We share one bread, one cup. Amen.**

Post Communion Prayer

BCP, p. 365

Celebrant Let us pray.

People **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn: Lead on, O King eternal

Hymnal 555

The Dismissal

BCP, p. 366

Voluntary

Please join us for Fellowship Time immediately following this service.

Serving Today

Ushers Sarah Boney and Peg Dorer

Verger David Roten

Acolytes Ali Cherry, Noah Scanlon, Ella Grace Cherry,
Frankie Scanlon, and Libby Boyne

Lectors Giles Rhodenhiser and David Howard

Intercessor & Chalcist Rob Robinson

Livestream & Sound Craig DeShong and Sam DeShong

Poinsettia Orders Due by December 1

Help decorate the church for Christmas with beautiful poinsettias placed in memory of loved ones or in thanksgiving for blessings. Poinsettias cost \$20 per plant. Please place your order using the link in the Parish News or on the parish website; if you prefer not to place an online order, order forms are available in the Parish Life Center at the front desk.

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS AT THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

- Sunday, December 3rd
- Guest Preacher Ian Finley at 8:00 and 10:15 AM
 - Neighborhood Lunch following the 10:15 worship service
 - Advent Wreath Making with Raleigh Mennonite Church
- Sunday, December 10th
- Advent Lessons and Carols with Holy Eucharist at 10:15 AM with Choir and Handbells
 - Annual Reading of Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol* with mulled wine and nibbles following the 10:15 AM worship service
- Sunday, December 17th
- All-Ages Christmas Pageant with Eucharist at 10:15 AM
 - Parish Christmas Party immediately following the 10:15 AM worship service
 - Service of Hope and Healing at Christmas at 3:00 PM
- Sunday, December 24th
- Christmas Eve Services of Holy Eucharist
The Rev. Imogen Rhodenhiser, Preacher
- 2:00 PM Interactive Children and Family Service
 - 5:00 PM Traditional Eucharist with Choir and Handbells
 - 11:00 PM Midnight Eucharist with Violin and Cello
- Monday, December 25th
- Christmas Day Eucharist at 9 AM
The Rev. Imogen Rhodenhiser, Celebrant and Preacher
- Sunday, December 31st
- Christmas Lessons and Carols with Holy Eucharist at 10:15

Sign Up Now for Our All-Ages Christmas Pageant

The Pageant will take place during the 10:15 worship service on **December 17th**, and is open to all ages, from our very oldest to our very youngest. With scripts in hand, we'll tell the story of the first Christmas. There's a sign-up form on the bulletin board outside the nursery for anyone of any age who wants to participate. For more details, contact Ian Finley (919.931.2196).

Angel Tree Gifts Due by December 17

The Angel Tree is to benefit families served by Episcopal Farmworker Ministry. As you choose a star from the Angel Tree in the Parish Life Center, you will notice the gifts listed on the back are different from years past: instead of listing clothing items, the parents of the child have listed a store that they would likely shop at for their child and are requesting gift cards. It is a gift of dignity to the parents to be able to shop for their child. The maximum recommended amount for each gift card is \$40. If your star has a store listed more than once, you are welcome to purchase separate gift cards of \$40 each or one combined gift card of \$80 or \$120. Please use the notebook by the tree to list the star number(s) that you have taken and your contact information. Do wrap the items and attach the child's name and star number to each; please return them by **December 17th**. If you have questions, feel free to contact Jennifer Tlusty. Thank you so much for participating in this ministry.

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