

Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit

1305 Thomas Dr, Bellevue, NE 68005

THANKSGIVING SERVICE



November 24, 2021

6:30 am

Thanksgiving Service

Rite II

WELCOME EVERYONE

If you are our guest today, or are a member who has been away for a while, we are glad you joined us for worship today. Please let us know you are joining us online by leaving a comment, or by emailing us so that we can say thank you.

God Bless
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The Holy Eucharist Rite II

Opening Hymn

Come, ye Thankful People

Hymnal 290

Welcome

Peace

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

People: **And Blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen**

Celebrant and People

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant: Lord Have Mercy

People: **Christ Have Mercy**

Celebrant : Lord Have Mercy

Celebrant: The Lord be with you

People : **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray

The Collect of the Day

Almighty and gracious Father, we give you thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labors of those who harvest them. Make us, we pray, faithful stewards of your great bounty, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

The First Lesson: Joel 2:21-27

Do not fear, O soil; be glad and rejoice, for the LORD has done great things! Do not fear, you animals of the field, for the pastures of the wilderness are green; the tree bears its fruit, the fig tree and vine give their full yield. O children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the LORD your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the LORD your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the LORD, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 126

- 1 When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, *
then were we like those who dream.
- 2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, *
and our tongue with shouts of joy.
- 3 Then they said among the nations, *
"The LORD has done great things for them."
- 4 The LORD has done great things for us, *
and we are glad indeed.

- 5 Restore our fortunes, O LORD, *
 like the watercourses of the Negev.
 6 Those who sowed with tears *
 will reap with songs of joy.
 7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, *
 will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

The Epistle: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all

-- this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

Sequence Hymn

Laudate Dominium

Bell Choir

The Gospel: Matthew 6:25-33

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

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

Jesus said, "I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you-- you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, 'What will we eat?' or 'What will we drink?' or 'What will we wear?' For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Message

Terri Storm

The Nicene Creed *[Please stand]*

Celebrant: Please stand as we affirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

**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.

Prayers of the People

[Please kneel or be seated]

The reader and people pray responsively.

In peace, we pray to your, Lord God.

A moment of Silence

In the Anglican Cycle of prayer, we pray for _____ ; in the Diocesan Cycle of prayer, pray for _____ in the DR for _____ . In the Parish Cycle of pray _____ .

For all people in their daily life and work;

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

For those in positions of authority, including our President, Joe Biden, our governor, Pete Ricketts, the elected and appointed officials in our community, the nation, and the world;

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

For the just and proper use of your creation;

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

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

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

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

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

For Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; for Scott, our Bishop; for Tom, our Priest; and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

We pray that you stay with and strengthen all those who are ill; _____; Are there others?

For those who serve our country at home and abroad; especially those who are deployed _____: are there others? We pray that you will stay with them and their families Lord, giving them comfort and hope until they are once again reunited in peace.

For those in our community who travel, that you watch over them and keep them safe, especially: _____; are there others?

For all those with special concerns, especially; _____; are there others?

Hear us Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you Lord, for all the blessings of this life; and we pray that you continue to pour out your blessings on those who are celebrating birthdays this week, especially; _____; are there others? We pray also for those who are celebrating anniversaries this week, especially, _____; are there others?

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, [especially for _____] are there others? That they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

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

Leader and People

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 Celebrant continues:

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

Almighty God, whose will it is to hold heaven and earth in the peace of your kingdom, give peace to your church, peace among nations, peace in our homes, and peace in our hearts. All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

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

Offertory Hymn

We Gather Together

Hymnal 433

Doxology

Hymnal 380 v3

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

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 unto our Lord God.

People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

Sanctus

Hymnal S129

**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**

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all, presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [_____ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters, through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen**

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

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,
Forever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Hymn

Hymnal S155

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
therefore let us keep the feast.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Facing the people, the Celebrant offers the following invitation:

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Hymn

Taste and See

WLP 764

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The People may join in saying this prayer

**Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us
with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.**

**And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.**

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen

The Blessing

Announcements

Going Forth Hymn

Joyful, Joyful


Hymnal 376

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

WEEKLY MINISTRY TEAMS			
Ministries		Nov 24	Nov 28
VPOD			Margie G
Hospitality			Team 1
Altar Guild:			Team 4
Altar Bread:		Leslie N	Leslie N
LEMs:	5:00 pm		Kristi S
	8:00 am		Doug A
	10:00 am		Lori E Jan S
Recycle			Jan S
Acolytes	C T T		Emily W Kyper M Ailynn M

 The Nave Presence Candle is given by Fr Tom and Sharon Jones in Thanksgiving for our birthdays and anniversary this month.

The Chapel Presence Candle is given by Nancy Beitenman in Thanksgiving for the birth of granddaughter, Hallie Johnson and in Memory of my mother, Hallie Reis.

This Week's Highlights

Holy Land 2022: We have extended the registration window for our May 2022 pilgrimage to the Holy Land. We have a few spaces left for anyone who is still considering joining us on our journey. Information fliers can be picked up at the Spirit Hub.

Hands of Hope: Our annual ingathering for Bellevue Together begins this weekend. Please see Margie Crawford (formerly Guy) to pick up a youth gift request card.

Advent Prayers for Home: Stop by the Spirit Hub and pick up this year's prayer card for home use. Advent starts next Sunday (26 Nov)

Ordination: Our previous intern, Roy Phillips, will be ordained to the diaconate at All Saints Episcopal Church on Thursday (2 Dec) beginning at 7:00 pm. All are invited to attend.

Holiday Fair & Bake Sale: Our annual event is only a week away (Sat., 4 Dec) and we need your help. If you are able to bake something for the bake sale, have a hour or two you can offer to help us, or wish to donate unneeded Christmas decorations, please contact Karen Gray.

Ministry Grants: Just a reminder that 2022 endowment fund grant requests must be submitted by c.o.b. Wed (15 Dec). Grant request forms and requirements are available at the Spirit Hub.

Christmas Pageant: Cindy Pekarek is organizing this year's pageant (on Sun., 19 Dec) and needs some additional helpers who can help getting our youth fitted and ready. If you can help, please contact Cindy or the church office.

Altar Bread & Presence Candles: Sign-up sheets for 2022 Altar Bread baking and Presence Candles are now in the white book at Spirit Hub. Please remember to fill out the blue card in the front of the book for your presence candle.

2022 Liturgical Calendars: 2022 calendars are now available at the Spirit Hub. Requested donation \$2 each.

2022 Pledge Cards: If you have not yet returned your 2022 pledge card, please visit our website at <https://www.chseiscopal.org/online-pledge-form>, click on the button in the upper right hand corner and let us know your 2022 estimate of giving.

DOK Book Study: The DOK sponsored Zoom book study is underway. The plan is to discuss 4 chapters of Rabbi Jason Sobel's book "*Mysteries of the Messiah*" each month. Chapters 5-8 will be discussed on 2 Dec and the remaining chapters on 6 Jan. The Zoom link is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84047990666?pwd=aERta0p2bHZ0cmJKQ25qYk9xYmd1QT09>. If needed, the Meeting ID is 840 4799 0666, and the Passcode is 583913.