

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

November 19, 2023 ✕ 10:30 am



That day will be a day of wrath,
a day of distress and anguish,
a day of ruin and devastation,
a day of darkness and gloom,
a day of clouds and thick darkness,
a day of trumpet blast and battle cry
against the fortified cities
and against the lofty battlements.

I will bring such distress upon people
that they shall walk like the blind;
because they have sinned against the Lord,
their blood shall be poured out like dust,
and their flesh like dung.

Neither their silver nor their gold
will be able to save them
on the day of the Lord's wrath;
in the fire of his passion
the whole earth shall be consumed;
for a full, a terrible end
he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

The Psalm

Psalm 90:1-12
Domine, refugium



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*Cantor will sing the antiphon, the choir and congregation will sing the antiphon.
Choir will sing the verses and the congregation joins in on the antiphon.*

- 1 Lord, you have been our **refuge** *
from one generation to **another**.
- 2 Before the mountains were brought forth,
or the land and the **earth were born**, *
from age to age you are **God**.
- 3 You turn us back to the dust and **say**, *
"Go back, O child of **earth**."
- 4 For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is **past** *
and like a watch in the **night**.
- 5 You sweep us away like a **dream**; *
we fade away suddenly like the **grass**.
- 6 In the morning it is green and **flourishes**; *
in the evening it is dried up and **withered**.
- 7 For we consume away in your **displeasure**; *
we are afraid because of your wrathful **indignation**.
- 8 Our iniquities you have set **before you**, *
and our secret sins in the light of your **countenance**.
- 9 When you are angry, all our days are **gone**; *
we bring our years to an end like a **sigh**.
- 10 The span of our life is seventy years,
perhaps in strength even **eighty**; *
yet the sum of them is but labor and sorrow,
for they pass away quickly and we are **gone**.
- 11 Who regards the power of your **wrath**? *
who rightly fears your **indignation**?
- 12 So teach us to number our **days** *
that we may apply our hearts to **wisdom**.

The Second Lesson

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk

get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

Hymn # 536

Open your ears, O faithful people

Torah Song

The Gospel

Matthew 25:14-30

Jesus said, "It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

The Sermon

The Rev. David Bicking

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Hymn # 601

O day of God, draw nigh

St. Michael

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Holy, holy, holy Lord

William Mathias

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The Invitation

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The Communion of the People

All are welcome at the Lord's Table. Baptized Christians are invited to receive bread and wine; all others are encouraged to come forward for a blessing.

Kneel or stand as able.

Following the direction of the ushers, please come to the rail with pulpit side (right) filling rail from right to center, and lectern side (left) filling rail from center to left. If you need communion brought to you, please alert an usher.

As the clergy distributes the bread, hold both hands out and up.

To receive the wine:

- *To sip from the chalice: Gently take the base of the chalice and guide the chalice to your mouth. Do not grab the main part of the chalice.*
- *To intinct: Hold your wafer up to indicate intinction to the chalice. The chalice will take the wafer from you, dip the edge into the wine and return it to your hand.*

Those who wish to receive a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest.

During Communion

Hymn # 490

I want to walk as a child of the light

Post Communion Prayer

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The Blessing

Hymn # 680

O God, our help in ages past

St. Anne

The Dismissal

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Voluntary

* “S” Hymns are found in the front section of the hymnal.

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