



The Last Sunday after Pentecost
Christ the King
November 21, 2021

WELCOME
to St. Mary's Episcopal Church

a member of the Central Michigan Episcopal Covenant

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Big Rapids, MI

Seeking every day to love God
with our whole heart, mind, and
soul, and to love our neighbors
as ourselves.

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

Cadillac, MI

We strive to live out the Great
Commandment: To love the
Lord with all our heart, soul, and
mind and to love our neighbors
as ourselves.

If you have a faith or are seeking one, you are always welcome here.

If you are visiting or looking for a spiritual home,
we'd love to get to know you.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

THE WORD OF GOD

All stand as able.

Processional Hymn

Pew Folder, p. 60

King of Kings

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever.
Amen.**

Celebrant 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.**

The Gloria

said in unison

**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 Lessons

All sit as able.

First Reading

2 Samuel 23:1-7

Reader A reading from the book of Samuel.

These are the last words of David:

The oracle of David, son of Jesse, the oracle of the man whom God exalted, the anointed of the God of Jacob, the favorite of the Strong One of Israel: The spirit of the Lord speaks through me, his word is upon my tongue. The God of Israel has spoken, the Rock of Israel has said to me: One who rules over people justly, ruling in the fear of God, is like the light of morning, like the sun rising on a cloudless morning, gleaming from the rain on the grassy land. Is not my house like this with God? For he has made with me an everlasting covenant, ordered in all things and secure. Will he not cause to prosper all my help and my desire? But the godless are all like thorns

that are thrown away; for they cannot be picked up with the hand; to touch them one uses an iron bar or the shaft of a spear. And they are entirely consumed in fire on the spot.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 132:1-13

- 1 Lord, remember David, *
 and all the hardships he endured;
- 2 How he swore an oath to the Lord *
 and vowed a vow to the Mighty One of Jacob:
- 3 "I will not come under the roof of my house," *
 nor climb up into my bed;
- 4 I will not allow my eyes to sleep, *
 nor let my eyelids slumber;
- 5 Until I find a place for the Lord, *
 a dwelling for the Mighty One of Jacob."
- 6 "The ark! We heard it was in Ephratah; *
 we found it in the fields of Jearim.
- 7 Let us go to God's dwelling place; *
 let us fall upon our knees before his footstool."
- 8 Arise, O Lord, into your resting-place, *
 you and the ark of your strength.
- 9 Let your priests be clothed with righteousness; *
 let your faithful people sing with joy.
- 10 For your servant David's sake, *
 do not turn away the face of your Anointed.

- 11 The Lord has sworn an oath to David; *
in truth, he will not break it:
- 12 "A son, the fruit of your body *
will I set upon your throne.
- 13 If your children keep my covenant
and my testimonies that I shall teach them, *
their children will sit upon your throne for evermore."

Second Reading

Revelation 1:4b-8

Reader A reading from the book of Revelation.

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen.

"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

All stand as able.

Gospel Hymn

Pew Folder, pg. 107

Thy Word is a Lamp Unto My Feet

The Holy Gospel

John 18:33-37

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ
 according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

After the Gospel

Pew Folder, pg. 44

I Love You, Lord

Homily

Mtr. Radha Kaminski

The Nicene Creed

All stand as able.

**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.**

The people kneel or stand as able.

Intercessor Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come. Let us rejoice in the King of kings, praying, “ You have made us to be a kingdom, **to you be glory and dominion forever and ever.**”

Intercessor Everlasting King, you have freed us from our sins and made us a people: clothe your priests with righteousness; let your faithful people sing with joy.

We pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Prince, our Bishop Provisional-elect, the Standing Committees of Eastern and Western Michigan; Anne, our Canon Missioner; Radha, our Rector; our Central Michigan Episcopal Covenant;

St. Paul’s, Gladwin – Tom Downs, Rector
Trinity, Niles – Diane Pike, Rector

We pray for all those in our diocese discerning calls to ministry, both lay and ordained. In particular, we pray for those in our dioceses preparing for the Sacred Order of Priests, including Alicia, Joe, Natalie, Alex, Derek, Catherine, Rebecca, Matt, Dell, Joanna, Kurt, and Anne Marie. We pray also for those in our dioceses preparing for the Sacred Order of Deacons, including: Joy, Trish, Mark, Jim,

Michelle, and Linda. We remember with gratitude the retired clergy of the diocese.

Silence

Intercessor You have made us to be a kingdom,
People To you be glory and dominion forever and ever.

Intercessor Everlasting King, you came into the world to testify to the truth. May the words of truth overcome the euphemisms and hyperbole that dominate and control your people. We pray for Joe, our president; Gretchen our governor; Carla, our mayor. *Silence*

Intercessor You have made us to be a kingdom,
People To you be glory and dominion forever and ever.

Intercessor Everlasting King, mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under your most gracious rule. *Silence*

Intercessor You have made us to be a kingdom,
People To you be glory and dominion forever and ever.

Intercessor Everlasting King, your reign is one of justice and truth: bless those who strive for justice Bless those who yearn for truth. *Silence*

Intercessor You have made us to be a kingdom,
People To you be glory and dominion forever and ever.

Intercessor Everlasting King, you love us. It is your will to restore all things. Restore to health and wholeness all those who suffer.

We pray for those in the St. Mary's circle of prayer: John, Erika, Penney, Keith, Mike, George, Barb, Jim, Barbaranne, Lori, Deliah, Renee, Linda, Val;

For those in the St. Andrew's circle of prayer: Patsy, Michelle, Richard, Eileen, Ryan, Jim, Wahl & Rees Family, Beth, Bob & Beth, Pauline, Torry, Tom & Family;

For our family and friends in the armed forces and who are first responders: Richard, Corey, Matt, Teylor, Tony, Kim, Drew, Jon, Eli

And for all those we name at this time. *Silence*

Intercessor You have made us to be a kingdom,
People To you be glory and dominion forever and ever.

Intercessor Everlasting King, you are the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead: raise us, especially Doug, with all your saints, to rule with you forever and ever. *Silence*

Intercessor You have made us to be a kingdom,
People To you be glory and dominion forever and ever.

Celebrant Almighty and ever living God, you have made all things in your wisdom and established the boundaries of life and death: Grant that we may obey your voice in this world, and in the world to come may enjoy that rest and peace which you have appointed for your people; through Jesus Christ who is Resurrection and Life, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Confession of Sin

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

All Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant 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.**

The Peace

All stand as able.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you**

The People greet one another in the name of the Lord; in this season we encourage a bow, wave or other appropriate gesture.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Pledge Ingathering

Litany of Thanksgiving, UTO

Celebrant Lord, have mercy.

People **Christ, have mercy.**

Celebrant Lord, have mercy.

God of abundance,

People **we give thanks to you.**

Celebrant God the Father, giver of all good things,

People **we give thanks to you.**

Celebrant God the Son, redeemer of the world,

People **we give thanks to you.**

Celebrant God, the Holy Spirit, reviver of our hearts,

People **we give thanks to you.**

Celebrant Give us grace out of your riches, and awareness to give thanks. Be patient with us in our sins, and quick to bring us into your presence.

People **grant us grace, good Lord.**

Celebrant From every moment of ambivalence, from every hardness of heart, from every thought of greed, from every desire to hoard our blessings, from every negligence of a need before us,

People **deliver us, good Lord.**

Celebrant For the abundance of grace given, by the gift of the incarnation, by the waters of baptism, by the giving of your life, by the faithfulness of your resurrection, by the fire of Pentecost, in all times of want, in all times of blessing, in each hope of our hearts,

People **we give thanks to you.**

Celebrant God of abundance,

People **we give thanks to you.**

Celebrant God the Father, giver of all good things,

People **we give thanks to you.**

Celebrant God the Son, redeemer of the world,

People **we give thanks to you.**

Celebrant God, the Holy Spirit, reviver of our hearts,

People **we give thanks to you.**

Celebrant Jesus Christ, Son of God, you showed us a life of giving; Holy Spirit, breath of God, you give us hearts of gratitude to be of service; Heavenly Father, ruler of all, you brought into order all that is so we may have this life and the next;

People **give us your grace and let our hearts be ever grateful for your blessing. Amen.**

You are invited to come forward to place your pledges of time, talent, and treasure on the altar.

Blessing of Pledge Cards

prayer written by The Rt. Rev. Gregory Rickel

Celebrant Most Loving God, we place on this altar of love these pledges of our very lives. These little pieces of paper represent many things, our time, our gratefulness for this place called St. Mary's. They represent our dreams, our hopes, our vision of the future, our life together as a people committed to following you and sharing you with others. May our lives lived outside these walls reflect that vision. May our gifts, these and others, not be viewed as leverage with you, but rather as gifts of thankfulness for all that we have been given. We pray for the continuing mission of St. Mary's, St. Andrew's, and the Central Michigan Episcopal Covenant, that they may continue to be a place of comfort and guidance to all people and a place where all are welcome no matter who they are or where they are on their journey of faith. And now we ask your blessing on these cards, all they represent, and especially the pledge we have made to you through them and with our lives. **Amen.**

Offertory

The celebrant says the offertory sentence.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer D

BCP, pg. 372

All stand as able.

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 It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we say,

**All 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.

The people stand or kneel as able. Then the celebrant continues.

Celebrant **Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.**

All **We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

The celebrant continues.

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

All **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,
 and the power, and the glory,
 for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The Invitation

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Everyone is welcome to receive communion. There is no one who is too old or too young, no one who has too many doubts or too few beliefs. This is the altar prepared by a loving God for all creation by the power of Jesus Christ. You, who are part of that creation, are welcome.

Please come down the center aisle to the front of the altar to receive communion. Return to your seat by the side aisles.

If you do not wish to receive communion, but would like a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest. If you would like a gluten-free wafer, ask the priest for one when you come forward.

Communion Hymn **Duet by Jim Pals & Anita Hunt**

The king of Love My Shepherd Is

Prayer after Communion

All stand or kneel as able.

Celebrant Let us pray.

All In gratitude, in deep gratitude for this moment, this meal, these people, we give ourselves to you. Take us out to live as changed people because we have shared this Living Bread and cannot remain the same. Ask much of us, expect much from us, enable much by us, encourage many through us. So, Lord, may we live to your glory, both as inhabitants of earth and citizens of the common wealth of heaven. Amen.

The Blessing

All stand as able.

The Celebration of Special Days and Announcements

Recessional Hymn

Hymnal 19882, #544

Jesus Shall Reign

The Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Alleluia. Alleluia. Amen. Amen.

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