

Welcome

Good Shepherd Episcopal Church

Venice, Florida

The 24th Sunday After Pentecost - November 8, 2026

GATHERING, TRANSFORMING, GOING

SUNDAY WORSHIP
8:00 A.M. - RITE I
10:00 A.M. - RITE II

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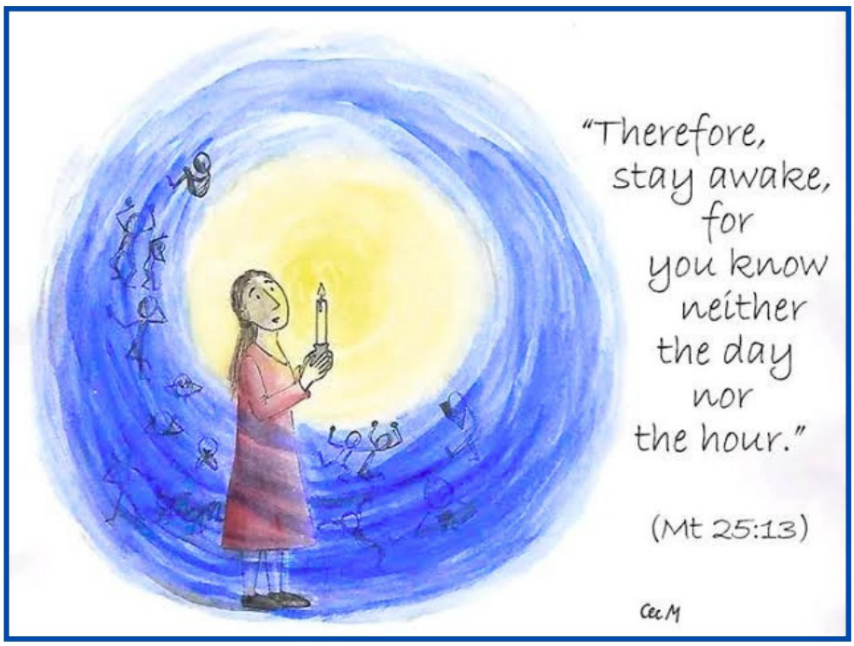
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The Holy Eucharist – RITE II
PRAYER A -10:00 A.M.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Word of God

PRELUDE **"Wachet Auf, Ruft Uns Die Stimme"** **J.S. Bach BWV 645**

PROCESSIONAL **Judge Eternal, Throned in Splendor** **Hymnal 596**
(Komm. O komm, du Geist des LEbens)

OPENING ACCLAMATION
The people standing, the Presider says

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

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.*

SONG OF PRAISE **Benedictus es Domine** **Hymnal S-236**

The following is sung, all standing

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers;
you are worthy of praise; glory to you.
Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name;
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you in the splendor of your temple;
on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.
Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim;
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you, beholding the depths;

in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.
Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

FIRST READING: Wisdom 6:12-16
The people sit.

Reader: A Reading from the Wisdom of Solomon

Wisdom is radiant and unfading,
and she is easily discerned by those who love her,
and is found by those who seek her.
She hastens to make herself known to those who desire her.
One who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty,
for she will be found sitting at the gate.
To fix one's thought on her is perfect understanding,
and one who is vigilant on her account will soon be free from care,
because she goes about seeking those worthy of her,
and she graciously appears to them in their paths,
and meets them in every thought.

Reader: The Word of The Lord
People: **Thanks Be to God.**

Silence may follow.

PSALM: Psalm 70 Deus, in adjutorium

George A. MacFarren
(1813–1887)



Choir:

1 Be pleased, O/ God, • to de-/ liver me; *
O/ Lord, • make/ haste • to/ help me.

All:

2 Let those who seek my life be ashamed
and alto-/ gether • dis-/ mayed; *
let those who take pleasure in my misfortune
draw/ back • and/ be • dis-/ graced.

3 Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me/ <u>turn</u>/ back, *
be-/ cause • they/ are • a-/ shamed.

4 Let all who seek you re-/ joice • and be/ glad in you; *
let those who love your salvation say for ever,/
"<u>Great</u>/ is • the/ Lord!"

5 But as for me, I am/ poor • and/ needy; *
come to me/ spee- • di-/ ly, • O/ God.

6 You are my helper and/ my • de-/ liverer; *
O/ <u>Lord,</u>/ do • not/ tarry.

Choir:

Glory to the Father and/ to • the/ Son,// and/ to • the/ Ho- • ly/ Spirit;

As it was in the be-/ ginning, • is/ now,// and will be for-/ ev- • er./ <u>A-</u>/
men.

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Reader: A Reading from Paul's First Letter to the Thessalonians

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from

heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may follow.

SEQUENCE **Jerusalem, My Happy Home** **Hymnal 620**
(Land Of Rest)

GOSPEL: Matthew 25:1-13

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON **FR. JOHN WARFEL**

After the sermon, the people remain seated and observe a time of silent reflection on the sermon.

THE CREED
All stand.

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 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE.
Kneel or stand, as able

Intercessor : Alleluia! Let us join the countless throngs who sing God's praises, praying, "We bless you, O Lord; *your praise is ever in our mouth*."

Intercessor: God of the pilgrim Church, you love us and call us your children: give your Church a hunger and a thirst for righteousness. Continue to nurture us by the example and fellowship of those saints who have journeyed before us.

Silence

We bless you, O Lord;
Your praise is ever in our mouths.

God of all people, you love us and call us your children: In a world of violence and war, you bless the peacemakers. Make us instruments of healing and peace.

Silence

We bless you, O Lord;
Your praise is ever in our mouths.

God of creation, you love us and call us your children: you have given this earth to the meek. May our steps be gentle and leave a small footprint on our earth. As it has been handed on to us, may we carefully preserve this creation for future generations.

Silence

We bless you, O Lord;
Your praise is ever in our mouths.

God of the city, you love us and call us your children: bless the poor with good things. Visit our impoverished neighborhoods with hope, mercy, and relief. Give us hearts for the poor in our region.

Silence

We bless you, O Lord;
Your praise is ever in our mouths.

God of the mournful and suffering, you love us and call us your children: comfort and heal those in need. Hear them in their affliction and save them from their troubles.

We pray for those on our ongoing prayer list. And for those on today's prayer list.

Are there others?

For those celebrating a birthday this week: Joan Douglas, Katherine Riherd, Patricia McNickle and Janet Hill.

For those celebrating a wedding anniversary: Lee Ann and Moe Desmarais; Barbara and Bob Elton; Cindy and Char Esselburn and Terry and Roger Murphy.

The Sanctuary Flowers are given in memory of Arthur Riherd by John and Katherine Riherd.

Silence

We bless you, O Lord;
Your praise is ever in our mouths.

God of the Church at rest, you love us and call us your children: we praise you for the faith and witness of all the saints. May their prayers and presence continue to strengthen us. It is with their triumphant voices that we join our own prayers and praises. Alleluia!

We bless you, O Lord;
Your praise is ever in our mouths.

The Presider adds a concluding collect.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Kneel or stand, as able

The Deacon says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

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.

The Presider stands and says

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.

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

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

All are welcome for communion.

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE
The Presider says

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Psalm 50:14*

OFFERTORY **"I Waited for the Lord"** **F. Mendelssohn**
(Good Shepherd Choir Sopranos)

I waited for the Lord, he inclined unto me,
He heard my complaint. O blest are they that
Hope and trust in him.

DOXOLOGY *(Old 100th)* **Hymnal 380 (v.3)**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

SURSUM CORDA
The People remain standing.

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

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

For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

SANCTUS **Hymnal S-129**

Celebrant and People

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.

The Presider continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Presider and People

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

The Presider continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and

peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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 for ever. ***AMEN.***

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

People and Presider

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,
forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

FRACTION ANTHEM **Hymnal S-163**

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
grant us peace.

The Presider says

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	**Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent** (Picardy)	**Hymnal 324**
	Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God	**Hymnal 711**
	(Dona nobis pacem)	

SENDING FORTH OF EUCHARTIC VISITORS

POST COMMUNION PRAYER
People kneel or stand as able.

Presider: Let us pray.

Presider and 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.

BLESSING
The Presider blesses the people, saying

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. ***Amen.***

PROCESSIONAL	**Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates**	**HYMNAL 436**
	(Truro)	

DISMISSAL

Deacon	Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People	**Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY	**Trumpet Voluntary in D**	**G.F. Handel**

Serving in Ministry Today – All Saints Sunday – November 8, 2026

	Rite I – 8 a.m.	Rite II – 10 a.m.
Presider Preaching	Fr. John Warfel Fr. John Warfel	Fr. John Warfel Fr, John Warfel
Assisting	Deacon Rich Wilson	Deacon Rich Wilson
Server Acolyte Crucifer Acolyte	Rusty Shelley	Cathy Gotschall Degen Sayer
1st Lesson 2 nd Lesson Prayers of the People	John Pearson Rusty Shelley Deacon Rich Wilson	Ed Silva Liz Bosch Sue Strang
Prayer Team	EK Beall/Elaine Hedrick/ Pam Clark/Liz Bosch	EK Beall/Elaine Hedrick/Pam Clark/ Liz Bosch
Altar Guild	Team 2	Team 2
Greeters		Patty Dal Cortivo/ Pat McNickle
Ushers	Fran Holt	Vince and Brenda Greco
Tech Team	Sound Bob Tumbleston	Yolobox Cameras – Paul Altimier Sound – Joe Bentley Director – Nancy Fees
Secure Building		Megarie van Sickle

This Week at Good Shepherd – Twenty-fourth Sunday After Pentecost		
Sunday, November 8	Holy Eucharist Rite I – 8 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II – 10 a.m.	Men's AA Meeting – 6 p.m.
Monday, November 9	Caregiver Support Group – 1:00 p.m.	
Tuesday, November 10	Women's AA Meeting 4:30 p.m.	
Wednesday, November 11 Veterans Day	Finance Committee Meeting 9:00 a.m. Executive Committee Meeting 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting 11:00 a.m.	Centering Prayer – 3:00 p.m. Community Dinners 4:30 p.m.
Thursday, November 12	Memorial Garden Crew – 8 a.m. Morning Prayer on Facebook with Deacon Rich – 9:15 a.m.	Women's Bible Study - 10:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal - 6:00 p.m.
Friday, November 13	Creative Designs Outreach – 9:30 a.m.	
Saturday, November 14	Altar Guild – 9:30 a.m.	Cursillo Ultreya 3:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist 5:00 p.m.



If you are new, we invite you to fill out a WELCOME CARD found in the back of the hymnal and at the WELCOME DESK in the entry. Cards may be placed in the offering plate or given to an usher. We also invite you to join us at coffee hour immediately after our 10 a.m. service. Please sit at our Visitor table and our Hospitality team will serve you coffee and goodies and then spend some time getting to know you.

Would you like to be listed in our Good Shepherd Parish Directory?
If so, please complete the yellow Directory Sign Up card that is located at our Connections Center near the garden doors at the back of our Parish Hall.
See Nancy Fees, our Communication Director, to have a photo taken for the directory





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Remember in your prayers this week:

We pray for those on our ongoing prayer list: Barbara, Lauren, Jackie and Richard, Don, Kim, Chris, Ryan, Holly, Ann, Ellen, Jim, Christopher, Christine, Marylin, Ed, Charles, Mary, Johnson Family, Lawlor Family, Jessica, Danielle, Nancy, Jamey, Mike, Libby, and Marci.

SERVING OR LIVING IN HARM'S WAY: Robert Matern, Kevin Sweet, Max Wilson, Matthew Stricker, Sam Blair, Mason Roush, Chris Hoffman, Joseph Sharpe, James Kilroe and Matthew Kilroe.

FOR OUR DIOCESE AND COMPANION DIOCESS:
The Diocese of Southwest Florida—The Rt. Rev. Douglas F. Scharf, Our Companion Diocese of the Dominican Republic, Companion Diocese of Georgia, Companion Diocese of South Carolina, Companion Diocese of Western Louisiana.
DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYERS: St. Giles', Pinellas Park; St. Matthew's, St. Petersburg; St. Peter's Cathedral, St. Petersburg; St. Thomas', St. Petersburg, and St. Vincent's, St. Petersburg.

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