HOLY COMMUNION



Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost
Proper 27

November 8, 2026 | 10:00AM

Saint Gabriel's Episcopal Church | Marion, Massachusetts

W E L C O M E

Here for the first time? We're glad you have joined us!

You're welcome here just as you are.

The Episcopal Church

Our tradition is part of the global Anglican Communion, a diverse, worldwide fellowship of roughly 85 million Christians spread across 165 countries united through communion with the See of Canterbury in England. We follow the teachings of Jesus Christ, and trace our origins back to Christ, his disciples, and the early church. We affirm that the One God is known in the three persons of the Trinity - the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit as expressed in the Apostle's Creed, the Nicene Creed, and the Athanasian Creed. As part of our Anglican heritage we believe in the centrality of Holy Scripture, tradition, and reason in our worship and life of faith. The Holy Eucharist is the heart of our faith communities.

Who We Are

Saint Gabriel's Episcopal Parish welcomes all people and meets everyone where they are on their spiritual journey with Christ. We do our best to be a community of faith celebrating and sharing Christ's love with one another, our communities, and the world. There are many ministries and programs here which help us all to better know Christ. St. Gabriel's is open and affirming community that welcomes everybody regardless of race, color, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identification, political affiliation, religious heritage or anything else that divides and separates us.

The Liturgy & Books

Worship in the Episcopal Church is drawn from both contemporary and ancient sources, and is aided by books and a bulletin. *The Book of Common Prayer* is the red book and the two hymnals are marked as *Hymnal 1982*, the blue one, and *Lift Every Voice and Sing*, the black and red one.

Church School

Youth Formation (Church School) is available for all children and youth ages 4 and up from Sept - June starting at 9:30AM. During the 10 AM worship service, parents and young children are welcome to the library where the worship service is being streamed. An Usher can help you and your family locate both spaces.

Newsletter

St. Gabriel's newsletter, *Tidings*, is a weekly email with reminders about important events in the life of our parish. Please call the parish office (508) 748-1507 and give us your email address so we can keep you abreast of all that is happening in our parish community.

Parish Prayer List

Please keep the following people in your prayers during the week:

For Healing: Kalila Barnett, Levi Borges, Ryan Conant, Sheila Converse, Deborah Dines, Tim Dyer, Cynthia Evans, Kathy Feeney, Catriana Hall, Rob Hiller, Bernie Klim Sr., Libby Klim, Richard Laine, Maria Nunes, Bobbie Perry, Wayne Porter, Jean & Kevin Pulsifer, Cathy Roberts, Betty Savery, Shirley Thomas, Rowland Rice Egerton-Warburton, John Verrier, Andrew, Vanessa

Men & Women serving in our Armed Services: Ben Hall

The Word of God

When the prelude begins, please practice silence and ready your heart for worship.

PRELUDE **Solemn Prelude from "*For the Fallen*"** **Edward Elgar**
arr. Harvey Grace
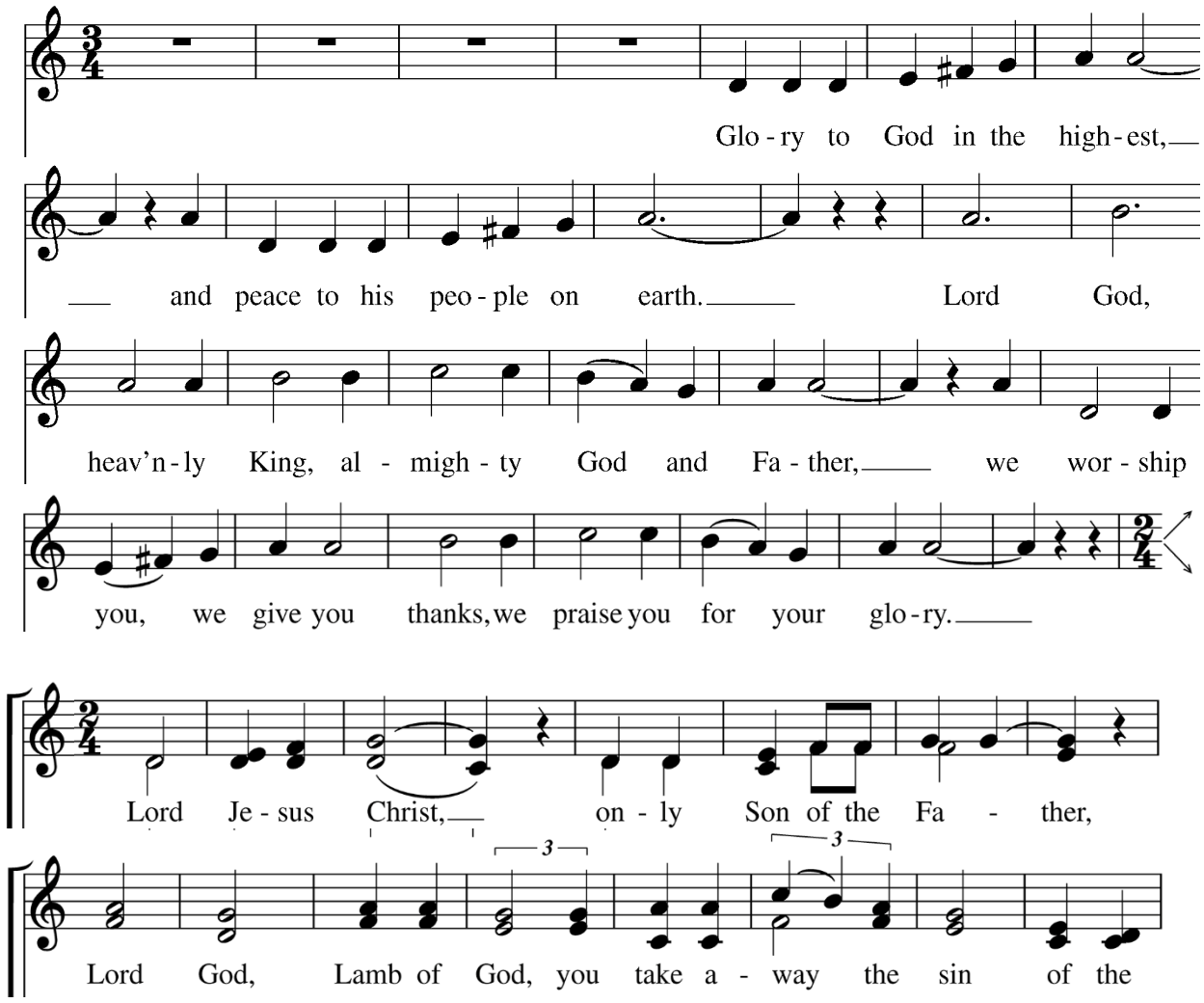
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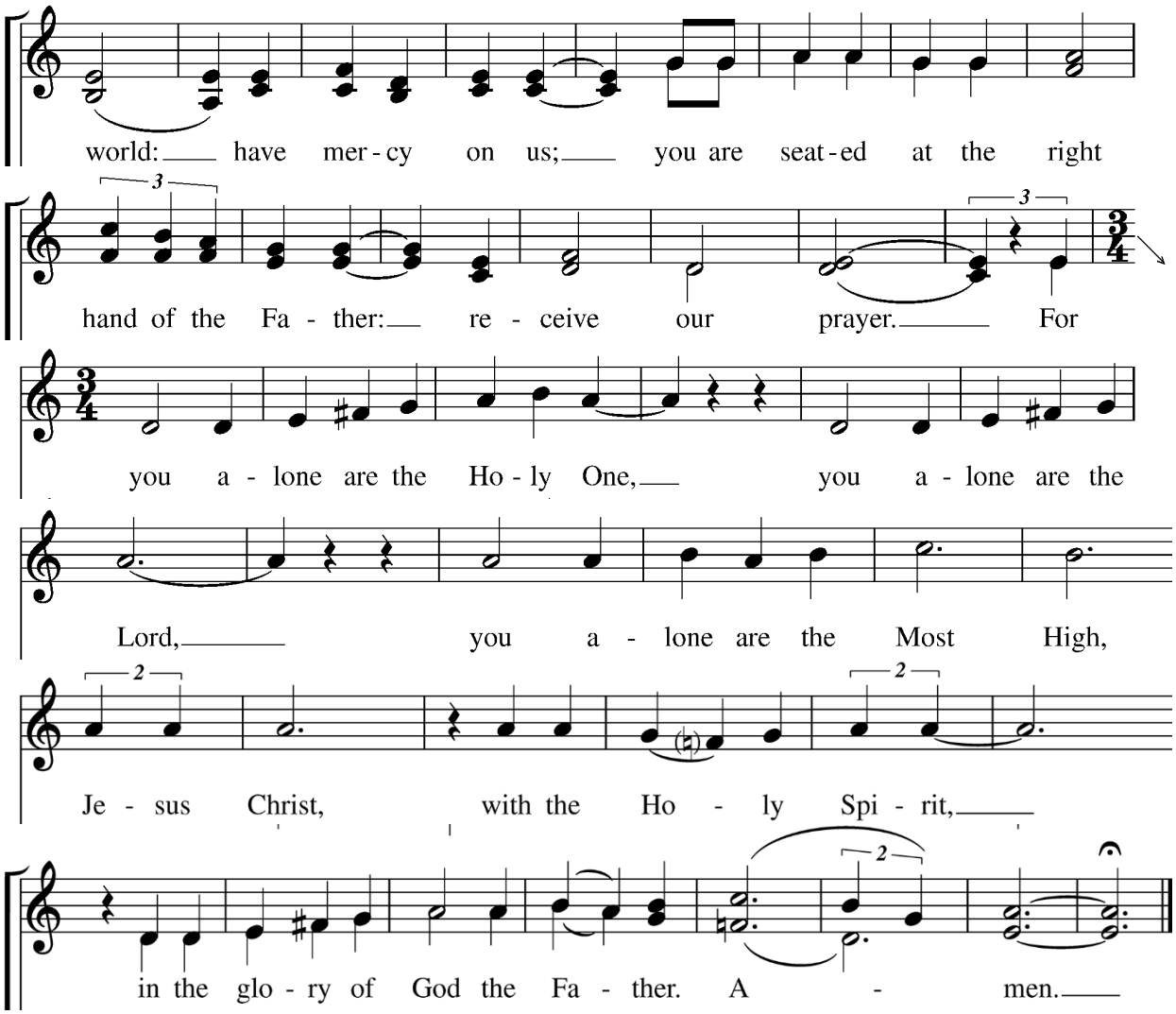
PROCESSIONAL HYMN ***Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates*** **#436 *Truro***

OPENING ACCLAMATION
The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Blessed be God: Most Holy, Glorious, and Undivided Trinity.
People ***And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.***

GLORIA ***Glory to God (Canticle 20)*** **WLP 900 *John Rutter***
The following is sung, all standing





THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People ***And also with you.***
Celebrant 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 of Solomon 6:12-16
The people sit.

A Reading from the book of Wisdom.

[12]Wisdom is radiant and unfading, and she is easily discerned by those who love her, and is found by those who seek her. [13]She hastens to make herself known to those who desire her. [14]One who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty, for she will be found sitting at the gate. [15]To fix one's thought on her is perfect understanding, and one who is vigilant on her account will soon be free from care, [16]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 Here ends the reading.

Silence may follow.

PSALM: Psalm 78:1-7
Remain seated.

[1]Hear my teaching, O my people; *
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
[2]I will open my mouth in a parable; *
I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.
[3]That which we have heard and known,
and what our forefathers have told us, *
we will not hide from their children.
[4]We will recount to generations to come
the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the LORD, *
and the wonderful works he has done.
[5]He gave his decrees to Jacob
and established a law for Israel, *
which he commanded them to teach their children;
[6]That the generations to come might know,
and the children yet unborn; *
that they in their turn might tell it to their children;
[7]So that they might put their trust in God, *
and not forget the deeds of God,
but keep his commandments.

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
The people sit.

A Reading from Paul's First letter to the Church in Thessalonika.

[13]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. [14]For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. [15]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. [16]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. [17]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. [18]Therefore encourage one another with these words.

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

SEQUENCE HYMN ***O day of peace that dimly shines*** **#597 v 1 *Jerusalem***

GOSPEL: Matthew 5:1-12
All stand.

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

[Jesus said,] [1]"Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. [2]Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. [3]When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; [4]but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. [5]As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became

drowsy and slept. [6]But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' [7]Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. [8]The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' [9]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.' [10]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. [11]Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' [12]But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' [13]Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

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

SEQUENCE HYMN ***O day of peace that dimly shines*** **#597 v 2 *Jerusalem***

THE SERMON **The Rev. David A. Fredrickson**

THE CREED (BCP p. 358)
All stand.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
All remain standing.

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

This morning we pray especially for Sean our Presiding Bishop; for Julia our Bishop; for David our interim priest and Kris our deacon; and for all the baptized of this congregation whose ministries sustain the life of this parish.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

We pray for all world leaders, especially for our president, for the Congress of the United States and all who govern the courts, for our governor and all our state and local officials.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

This morning we pray for those on our parish prayer list and those we remember now either silently our aloud….
Silence

Give to the departed eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

This morning we remember especially Barbara Ginn Deely, in whose honor and memory the altar flowers have been given.

Silence

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.
Silence

We continue to pray for our Rector Search Committee. May the Holy Spirit guide them with wisdom and discernment. We pray for our future rector candidates as they discern where they are called to go. May the Holy Spirit bless them with peace, comfort and discernment as they do this work. Finally, we pray for our St. Gabriel's parish family that we may continue to grow together in Christ and seek his will in all that we undertake.
Silence

The celebrant adds the concluding collect

CONFESSION OF SIN
The Deacon or Celebrant 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 priest stands and says the absolution.

THE PEACE
The Peace is now exchanged

Celebrant 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

OFFERTORY ANTHEM ***Goin' Home*** **Antonin Dvorák**
St. Gabriel's Choir **arr. Robert Lehman**

Goin' home, goin' home, I'm goin' home.
Goin' home, goin' home, Lord I'm goin' home.

No more tears, no more cares, no more grief to bear,
Jesus, Jesus is waiting over there.

All the saints in heav'n above, all the saints we knew,
gone home to Jesus, I am goin' too.

Goin' home, goin' home. Goin' home, goin' home, I am goin' home.
Goin' home, goin' home, Lord I'm goin' home.

DOXOLOGY ***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow*** **#380 v. 3 *Old 100th***

The Great Thanksgiving

The People remain standing.

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 our thanks and praise.***

Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
Glory to you for ever and ever.

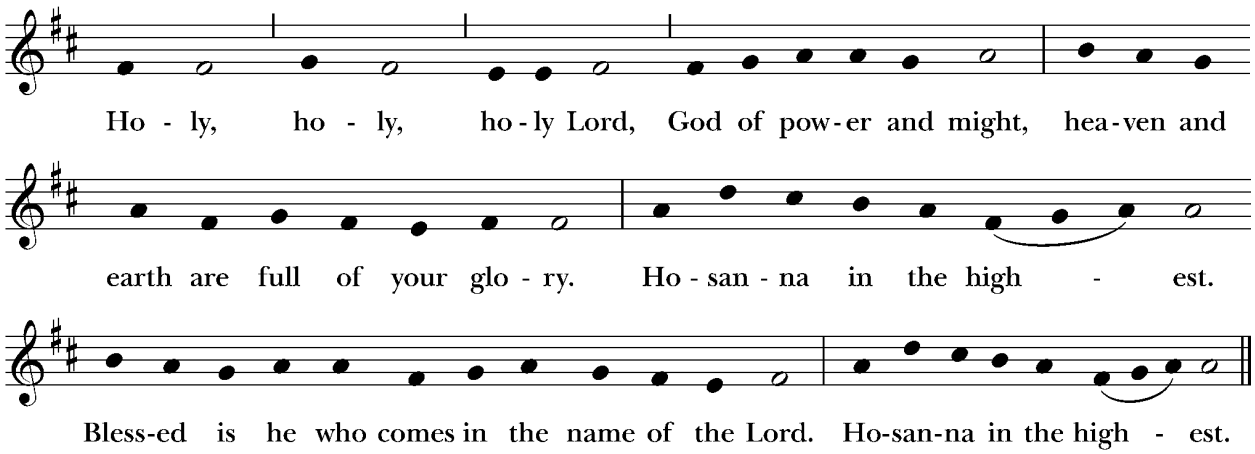
At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.
By your will they were created and have their being.

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

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

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*** **S 124 *David Hurd***



The Celebrant continues

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,

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

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.

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

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. ***AMEN.***

THE LORD'S PRAYER (BCP p. 364)
Celebrant and People

The Breaking of the Bread

FRACTION ANTHEM

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

INVITATION

COMMUNION HYMN ***Go forth for God*** **#347 *Litton***

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (BCP p. 365)

BLESSING
The Priest blesses the people.

RECESSIONAL HYMN ***Almighty Father, strong to save*** **#579 *Melita***

DISMISSAL
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People ***Thanks be to God.***

POSTLUDE ***Rondeau (*from *Abdelazer)*** **Henry Purcell**
arr. Christopher Morris

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The flowers on the altar are given in memory of Barbara Ginn Deely by the Bonney family.

Clergy & Staff

Interim Priest: The Rev. David Fredrickson;
Deacon: The Rev. Kristine Holmes;
Director of Music: David N. Burnham
Children & Youth Minister: Wendy Reardon

Assisting at Today's Liturgy

Ushers: Rick Laine; Louis Coffin;
Chalice Bearer: Judie Kleven;
Lector: Laurie Knight;
Altar Guild: Pam Parsons & Laurie Plante

Welcome to Saint Gabriel's Episcopal Church

Weekly Reminder

Wed 11th	6:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study
	6:00 p.m.	Vespers
	6:30 p.m.	Lectio Divina
Thurs 12th	8:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast Group
	1:30 p.m.	Deacon's Book Club
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Sun 15th	8:00 a.m.	Rite I Chapel Service
	9:00 a.m.	Breakfast Club
	9:30 a.m.	Faith Formation
	10:00 a.m.	Rite II Church Service
	11:00 a.m.	Great Pie Challenge



Join us in the parish hall after church for coffee hosted by Heather Bienz & Family

COFFEE HOUR ANGELS

We need your help!

Nov. 15 • Great Pie Challenge

Nov. 22 • Christmas Craft Fair — *Accepting baked good!*

Nov. 29 • *Coffee Hour Host needed.*

Want to be a Coffee Angel? Contact the office.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Don't forget APPLES, APPLES & MORE APPLES! (Please drop Apples off in kitchen!) before November 15th

November 22 – Our Christmas Craft Fair & Pie Sale returns with more than 25 vendors expected this year! We're still seeking items for our White Elephant Table and baked goods for our bake sale!

Proceeds from the event will benefit our Children & Youth Ministry.

November 29 – Advent Wreath Making at 11am in the Parish Hall.

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