



The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist Rite II

October 25, 2026 – 10:00 a.m.

The order of service is found in The Book of Common Prayer ("BCP" - Red books). Hymns are found in The Hymnal 1982 ("Hymnal" - Blue); Wonder, Love & Praise ("WLP" - Green); or the spiral-bound supplement ("CECS").

PRELUDE

THE ENTRANCE RITE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *Hymnal 376*
Joyful, joyful, we adore thee! *Hymn to Joy*

SALUTATION *BCP p. 355*

THE GLORIA *Hymnal S-280*
Glory to God in the Highest *Robert Powell*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY *See insert*

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON: Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18 *See insert*

PSALM I *See Insert*

THE SECOND LESSON: I Thessalonians 2:1-8 *See insert*

SEQUENCE HYMN *CECS 766*
When from bondage we are summoned *Sharpe*

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 22:34-46 *See insert*

THE SERMON *The Rev. Jack Brownfield*

THE NICENE CREED *BCP p. 358*

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE – *Form V* *BCP p. 389*

THE CONFESSION OF SIN & ABSOLUTION *BCP p. 360*

THE PEACE & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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THE HOLY COMMUNION – Rite II

THE OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

The Choir

THE DOXOLOGY

Hymnal 380 (vs 3)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow

Old Hundredth

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING – Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP p. 361

SANCTUS

S-125

Holy, holy, holy Lord...

Franz Schubert/Richard Proulx

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP p. 364

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

FRACTION ANTHEM

Hymnal S-164

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us

Franz Schubert/Richard Proulx

THE ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

All baptized Christians, regardless of denomination, are invited to receive Communion.

Simply hold out your hand to receive the wafer and dip it into the wine when you are offered the small chalice.

You may also consume the wafer and drink from the large chalice.

Gluten free wafers are available for those who request them.

FIRST COMMUNION HYMN

WLP 812

I the Lord of sea and sky

Here I Am, Lord

SECOND COMMUNION HYMN

See insert

Ubi Caritas

THIRD COMMUNION HYMN

Hymnal 551

Rise up, ye saints of God!

Festal Song

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP p. 365

THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN

WLP 721

Signs of endings all around us

Ton-y-Botel (Ebenezer)

THE DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE

TODAY'S READINGS – 22 Pentecost/Proper 25
October 25, 2026

THE COLLECT:

Traditional: Almighty and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain that which thou dost promise, make us to love that which thou dost command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

PEOPLE: Amen.

Contemporary: Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

PEOPLE: Amen.

THE FIRST LESSON:

Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18

A Reading from the Book of Leviticus

The Lord spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy.

You shall not render an unjust judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbor. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbor: I am the Lord.

You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbor, or you will incur guilt yourself. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the Lord.

The Word of the Lord

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God

THE PSALM

Psalm 1 Beatus vir qui non abiit

- 1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, *
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- 2 Their delight is in the law of the Lord, *
and they meditate on his law day and night.
- 3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *
everything they do shall prosper.
- 4 It is not so with the wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, *
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- 6 For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, *
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

THE SECOND LESSON:

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

A Reading From Paul's First Letter to the Thessalonians

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew.

PEOPLE: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, 'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet"'?"

If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

The Gospel of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

- For those who are infirm or in need of comfort: *Susana Steppan, Karen Markievich, Jennifer Gutierrez, Dan Hoffman; Lil Donovan & Family*
- For those who are homebound: *Evelyn Arlow, Carole Campbell, Gretel Gormley, Jean Harrison, Carolyn Werley*
- Continued prayers for: *Stephanie, Lacy, Dean, Bradley, Ricardo, John, Glenn*
- For those who have died:

DEDICATIONS

- The Altar Flowers & The Aumbry Candle are given by Susana & Dave Steppen in loving memory of Susana's mother, Gabriela Corres Sada

Participants in the Service

Celebrant & Preacher	The Rev. Jack Brownfield
Organist & Choirmaster	Ed Kapsha
Acolytes	Kristen Cooper
Altar Guild	Marianne Mathews, Tracy Rearick
Greeters	David & Lisa Bischoff
Readers	Debbie Stayer, Lisa Bischoff, Melissa Keebler
Ushers	Rick Mathews, Tom Ingram, Dave Steppan, Danny Kotson

Post-Worship Ministries

Altar Flower Delivery	Gwyni Gilliland
Coffee Hour	Gisella Del Frate, Mary Guering
Counters	David Bischoff, Jeff Allshouse

Welcome! We're delighted you're here. Whether this is your first visit, your first time in a while, or you're with us every week—in person or online—your presence is what makes us a church. If you're new, please join us for fellowship and refreshments following the service so we can get to know you. We'd love to meet you.

All children are welcome in church! But we do have a staffed Nursery at the 10:00 service for ages infants – 2 ½.

*We also have Sunday School Program available for children ages 3 and up during the 10:00 service. If you have any questions regarding child care/formation, please contact Ellen Seagraves – **Ellen.Seagraves@ChristChurchPGH.org***

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