



ST. ALFRED'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH
PALM HARBOR, FLORIDA

The Holy Eucharist: Rite One
The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
Saturday, November 9, 2024 at 5 p.m.

The Reverend Dr. William Shiflet, Celebrant
The Reverend Dale Hathaway, Preacher

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The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two
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Sunday, November 10, 2024 at 10 a.m.

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The Chiming of the Hour (*Prayerful silence is requested as our worship begins.*)

The Prelude

Simple Gifts
(The Cambridge Ringers)

Douglas Wagner

The Word of God

Hymn 9

Not Here for High and Holy Things

Morning Song

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God, unto whom 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.*

Gloria in excelsis S 280

Robert Powell

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the following Collects.

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.*

A Prayer for Heroic Service

O Judge of the nations, we remember before you with grateful hearts the men and women of our country who in the day of decision ventured much for the liberties we now enjoy. Grant that we may not rest until all the people of this land share the benefits of true freedom and gladly accept its disciplines. This we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The First Lesson: Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17

Naomi her mother-in-law said to Ruth, “My daughter, I need to seek some security for you, so that it may be well with you. Now here is our kinsman Boaz, with whose young women you have been working. See, he is winnowing barley tonight at the threshing floor. Now wash and anoint yourself, and put on your best clothes and go down to the threshing floor; but do not make yourself known to the man until he has finished eating and drinking. When he lies down, observe the place where he lies; then, go and uncover his feet and lie down; and he will tell you what to do.” She said to her, “All that you tell me I will do.”

So Boaz took Ruth and she became his wife. When they came together, the LORD made her conceive, and she bore a son. Then the women said to Naomi, “Blessed be the LORD, who has not left you this day without next-of-kin; and may his name be renowned in Israel! He shall be to you a restorer of life and a nourisher of your old age; for your daughter-in-law who loves you, who is more to you than seven sons, has borne him.” Then Naomi took the child and laid him in her bosom, and became his nurse. The women of the neighborhood gave him a name, saying, “A son has been born to Naomi.” They named him Obed; he became the father of Jesse, the father of David.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 127 *Nisi Dominus*

Carl Daw and Kevin Hackett

(The Choir sings the Antiphon first; then All repeat it. Repeat the Antiphon as indicated.)

Antiphon



- Watch o - ver us, O Lord.
- 1 Unless the LORD builds the house, *
their labor is in vain who build it.
 - 2 Unless the LORD watches over the city, *
in vain the watchman keeps his vigil. [**Antiphon**]

Antiphon



- 3 It is in vain that you rise so early and go to bed so late; *
vain, too, to eat the bread of toil,
for he gives to his beloved sleep. [Antiphon]
- 4 Children are a heritage from the LORD, *
and the fruit of the womb is a gift.
- 5 Like arrows in the hand of a warrior *
are the children of one's youth.
- 6 Happy is the man who has his quiver full of them! *
he shall not be put to shame
when he contends with his enemies in the gate. [Antiphon]

The Epistle: Hebrews 9:24-28

Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn 705

As Those of Old Their First Fruits Brought

Forest Green

The Holy Gospel: Mark 12:38-44

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As Jesus taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Dale Hathaway

(A moment for reflection.)

The Nicene Creed

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 *The response following each intercession is:*
Leader We come before you, O God:
People Fill us again with your presence.

Confession of Sin

The 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

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

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All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

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

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

O Heavenly Word, Eternal Light

Richard Shephard

1 O Heavenly Word, eternal Light,
Begotten of the Father's might,
Who in these latter days was born
For blessing to a world forlorn;

2 Our hearts enlighten from above,
And kindle with thine own true love;
That we, who hear thy truth today,

3 O let us not, for evil past,
Be driven from thy face at last;
But with the saints for evermore,
Behold Thee, love Thee, and adore.

4 To God the Father; God the Son,
And God the Spirit, ever One;
Praise, honor, might and glory be,

(The people stand and sing the following hymn while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.)

Hymn 380, Stanza 3

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving *Eucharistic Prayer C*

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In this prayer, the lines in italics are spoken by the People.

The Celebrant, faces them and says

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, 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:

The Sanctus S 125

Richard Proulx

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of po - wer and might, Heav'n and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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 and Mothers: God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebecca, Jacob and Rachael and Leah; 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

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Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
Celebrant and People 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

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The Fraction Anthem

Christ Our Passover

Gerald Near

(Organ) Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
 Christ our Pass-o-ver is sac-ri - ficed for us; therefore let us
 keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Communion Voluntary

Bread of the World in Mercy Broken

Ryan Peters

The Postcommunion Prayer *(Said by All)*

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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.

Prayer for the Lay Eucharistic Ministers

_____, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ’s Body and Blood. We, who are many, are one because we share one Bread, one Cup. Amen.

The Blessing

Hymn 579

Almighty Father, Strong to Save

Melita

The Dismissal

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The People respond Thanks be to God.

(If you must leave before the conclusion of the Postlude, please do so quietly as our broadcast is still in progress.)

Postlude

Prelude on Melita

Flor Peeters

Altar Flowers

The Altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Alex and Diane Hugill in thanksgiving for their 65th wedding anniversary.

Coffee Hour

Please join us for Coffee Hour in Reister Hall immediately following the service. Reister Hall is located to your left as you exit the church building.

Prayer List

Please pray for

David	Kristen B.	Our nation
Elease, Liz and Steve	Kitty Hooper	All who serve our country at home and abroad
Hanna	Alex and Diane Hugill	Those affected by COVID
Maddie	Fran Lever	Healthcare Workers
Michele, Charlotte and John	Diane Linindoll	Victims of violence
Sarah	Cindy Logsdon	Victims of hurricanes
Tricia	The Family of Jeannie Mahnke	Helene, Milton and all natural disasters
David and Lynne Aukamp	Fran Martin	The people of Israel, Palestine, Gaza, Ukraine, Sudan, Haiti and all places torn by strife
David Bliss	Bonnie Schumacher	
Beverly Butters	Lin Stanko	
Ann & Richard Clark	Robin Tiner	
Jennifer Dean	Wally and Joan Tyson	

Weekly Calendar

Monday, November 11	Veteran's Day - Church Office Closed 7 p.m., Bible Study (Library & Zoom)
Tuesday, November 12	Church Office Closed
Wednesday, November 13	11 a.m., Stewardship Meeting (Library) 3 p.m., Budget Meeting (Library) 4 p.m., Finance Meeting (Library) 7 p.m., Bell Choir (Church)
Thursday - November 14	10:30 a.m., Centering Prayer (Garrett Chapel) 12 p.m., Holy Eucharist with Healing 7 p.m., Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
Friday, November 15	10 a.m., GriefShare (Library) 1:30 p.m., Caregiver Support Group (Library)
Saturday, November 16 26 Pentecost	9 a.m., Bird/Nature Walk (Crest Lake Park, Clearwater) 5 p.m., The Holy Eucharist: Rite I
Sunday, November 17 26 Pentecost	10 a.m., The Holy Eucharist: Rite II 11:15 a.m., Coffee Hour (Reister Hall) 12 p.m., Adult Faith Formation (Library)

— *Announcements* —

Stewardship Pledge Campaign Update

Soon you will be receiving materials in the mail from Hanna Wescott, our treasurer, which will include a pledge card, and your 2024 pledge statement. Scott Garrett will share his insights on stewardship at services the weekend of November 16-17. Our Pledge Ingathering will be the weekend of November 23-24. Thank you in advance for your support of St. Alfred's.

Bird/Nature Walk at Crest Lake Park, Clearwater, Saturday, November 16

We will gather at 9 a.m. for a bird/nature walk at Crest Lake Park located at 201 S. Glenwood Ave., Clearwater. This is part of our on-going stewardship program "Walk in Love" Come and join us.

Thanksgiving Turkeys needed at FEAST

Thank you for generously supporting our ingathering of food items for Thanksgiving dinners for those less fortunate. Turkeys are needed. Donations of turkeys should be taken to FEAST located at 1119 Illinois Avenue, Palm Harbor on Saturday, November 16, between 9 a.m. and Noon.

Organ Concert, Sunday, November 24

Four area organists will present a concert here at St. Alfred's on Sunday afternoon, November 24 at 4 p.m. on our new Casavant organ. The concert is sponsored by the Clearwater Chapter of the American Guild of Organists and a free-will offering will be received for the work of the guild.

Community Interfaith Thanksgiving Service, Monday, November 25

The Community Interfaith Thanksgiving service will take place on Monday evening, November 25 at 7 p.m. at All Saints Catholic Church located at 2801 Curlew Road, Clearwater. Participating congregations include All Saints Catholic Church, St. Alfred's, and Temple Ahavat Shalom. Please join us as we come together to worship and give thanks with our neighboring congregations.

Thanksgiving Day Eucharist and Dinner, Thursday, November 28

There will be a Eucharist at 10 a.m. on Thanksgiving Day at St. Alfred's followed by dinner in Reister Hall. Turkey and Ham will be provided. Guests are asked to bring a dish to share. Please sign-up on the sign-up sheet in the Narthex or call the Church Office to let us know you are planning to attend.

Simple Gifts - Shaker Tune arranged by Douglas Wagner, The Lorenz Corporation
Antiphon for Psalm 127 (The Hymn Tune Psalter) - Carl Daw and Kevin Hackett, Church Publishing, Inc.
Bread of the World in Mercy Broken - Michael Ryan, The Lorenz Corporation
Prelude on Melita - Flor Peeters, C.F. Peters
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