

HOLY EUCHARIST: CONTEMPLATIVE

The Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

• October 27, 2024 • 5:00 p.m. • Church •



Dear Parish Family,

This week marked the halfway point in our annual campaign – Better Together - we want to extend a heartfelt *thank you* to all those who have faithfully turned in their pledge cards. Your commitment is already helping our Finance Committee and Vestry plan to complete the 2025 budget.

However, we need to share where we stand. While many have generously responded, only one-third of the households who pledged last year and remain part of our community have submitted their pledges



for 2025. This leaves us with over \$1.2 million potentially missing from the budget. We are excited to welcome 49 new pledges from new members or those pledging for the first time – thank you for participating! Participation is key – any amount - we are Better Together!

Our goal is to raise \$4.5 million to support our 2025 budget, which is necessary to keep our campus and ministries thriving. As of October 20th, we have received approximately **\$2.3 million** in pledges and gifts. We are asking for your help to close this gap before our In-Gathering Sunday on **November 3rd**. The \$4.5 million goal will come from \$3.5 million in pledges, and approximately \$1 million we receive in non-designated gifts and other income.



Following Jesus Christ and with the help of God, we want to continue offering the facilities, programs and ministries that bring life to our parish: yes, including keeping the lights on, the coffee brewing, the classrooms and fellowship spaces ready for all our gatherings, the Oyster Roast, the Wednesday dinners, and so much more. We also want to ensure that our outreach partners can continue counting on Christ Church for support.

Your generosity helps feed over 700 visitors at Mission House, provide essentials for those in need through BEAM, and deliver over 800,000 pounds of food annually. It allows us to sustain our Cuba Ministry that supports 1,000+ children, to house and feed the orphans at Amistad in Bolivia, and to expand care for the children escaping war and severe poverty in South Sudan through Amazing Grace.







Closer to home, your pledges will ensure that we can continue our support for:

- Habitat for Humanity, ensuring that every family has an affordable home.
- Blessings in a Backpack, providing food for local children in need.
- **Foster Closet**, advocating for foster children in Northeast Florida.



- Feeding Northeast Florida, providing over 85,000 meals daily.
- Sulzbacher Center, offering hope and pathways to stability for the homeless.
- **Pie in the Sky**, delivering fresh produce and fighting senior hunger.

Every pledge makes a difference, no matter the size. **Together, we can continue to be the hands and feet of Christ**, extending love and service to our parish family and beyond. If you haven't already, **please submit your pledge** to help us reach our goal.



What's your dream? Is it simple like in parts of the Bible – feed the hungry, clothe those without, and provide shelter to the homeless? **Pledge. Be a part of the generosity** and play a massive role in **changing the world** for all those citizens most desperately in need of it to change. **Don't wait for others – you hold the future in your hands. Participate.** Be part of Better Together.

We ARE Sunday, Every Day! We ARE **Better Together!**

If you have any questions, please forward them to Mike Shepherd at <u>mshepherd@ccpvb.org</u>.

Participate here \rightarrow

Faithfully yours,

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Welcome to Christ Church Ponte Vedra Beach! We are delighted to have you worship with us. In order to prepare for this service, we ask that you silence your phone. Thank you!

THE WORD OF GOD

Silence for Prayer

This contemplative service is preceded by a period of silence at 4:50 p.m.

Prelude

Jesus Lord to Me

Arr. Mark Hayes

Please stand at the sound of the bell.

Opening Sentences

Reader Worship and praise belong to you, God our maker.
Where nothing was you wove the web of being,
And still, you draw the universe to its fulfillment.
Dawn and evening celebrate your glory till time shall be no more.
In Christ, your Son,
The life of heaven and earth were joined,
Sealing the promise of a new creation, given, yet still to come.
Taught by your Spirit,
We who bear your threefold likeness
Look for the City of Peace

People In whose light we are transfigured and the earth transformed.



Heal Me, Hands of Jesus



Prayer for the Evening

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

We weave a silence onto our lips, we weave a silence into our mind, we weave a silence within our heart. We close our ears to distractions, we close our eyes to attractions, and we close our hearts to temptations. Calm us, O Lord, as You stilled the storm. Still us, O Lord; keep us from harm. Let all the tumult within us cease. Enfold us, Lord, in Your peace. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

The Gospel

Reader A reading from the Gospel according to Mark

People Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, hosanna in the highest!

Jesus and his disciples came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

One minute of silence follows.

Reflection

The Reverend Laura Magevney

A reflection is essentially based on a personal experience and is a great way to share what God is doing in our lives. When we listen to what God is doing in our brothers' and sisters' lives, we are likely to grow in greater awareness of how God works in our own lives.

One minute of silence follows.

Music for Meditation

Amazing Grace

Arr. Joel Raney

10:46-52

You may stand or kneel.

The Prayers of the People

Leader Let us pray for ourselves and the world.

Silence

Let us bring before God all of those people and situations that are in any kind of need.

People may add their own prayers either silently or aloud.

Let us bring before God the poor, the forgotten, and those who are marginalized, as we renew our commitment to the lonely and the unloved.

People may add their own prayers either silently or aloud.

Let us ask God to use our prayerful intentions for the benefit of all who are in this room with us now, people we know and love, as well as people who are strangers to us. May we be blessings to one another.

People may add their own prayers either silently or aloud.

Let us call to mind our reasons to be thankful, as we remember our abundance and the life-giving way of gratitude.

People may add their own prayers either silently or aloud.

May God still our minds, calm our hearts, breathe fresh life into us, and make us instruments of peace, justice, and compassion. Amen.

Please be seated.

Candlelighting

We continue our prayers through the lighting of the votive candles as a symbol of our love and concern for others. During the instrumental music, you are welcome to light a single candle as a symbol of your prayers. Candles are located at the front of the main aisle to the left and right.

Please stand.

The Peace

CelebrantAngels said it to frightened shepherds, Jesus said it to dismayed disciples.And now these words which come from heaven are given to reconcile us
to God and to each other: 'Peace be with you'.

People And also with you.

Let us share this peace with each other.

Please be seated.

Welcome and Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

To make an offering online visit ccpvb.org/give or scan this code. Thank you for your support.



Offertory

God Is There

Jay Althouse

Please stand.

Eucharistic Prayer

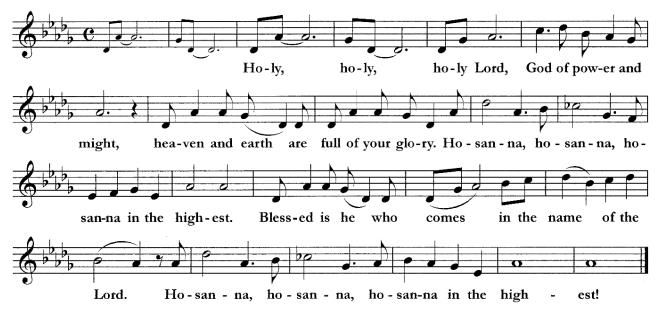
People	It is right to give God thanks and praise.		
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.		
People	We lift them to the Lord.		
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.		
People	And also with you.		
Celebrant	The Lord be with you.		

Celebrant continues

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, for the gift of a world full of wonder, and for our life which comes from you. By your power you sustain the universe. You created us to love you with all our heart, and to love each other as ourselves, but we rebel against you by the evil that we do. In Jesus, your Son, you bring healing to our world and gather us into one great family.

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Therefore, with all who serve you on earth and in heaven, we praise your wonderful name, as we sing



Celebrant continues

We give you thanks and praise, loving Father, because in sending Jesus, your Son, to us you showed us how much you love us. He cares for the poor and the hungry. He suffers with the sick and the rejected. Betrayed and forsaken, he did not strike back but overcame hatred with love. On the cross he defeated the power of sin and death. By raising him from the dead you show us the power of your love to bring new life to all your people.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

On the night before he gave up his life for us, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "Take this, all of you, and eat it: this is my body which is given for you."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and eternal covenant, which is shed for you and for many, so that sins may be forgiven. Do this in memory of me."

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

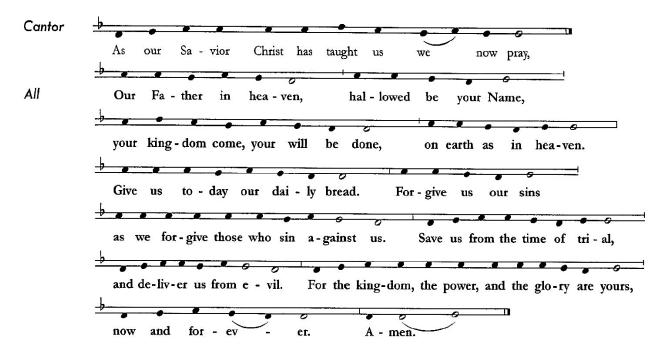
Gracious God, with this bread and wine we celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus, and we offer ourselves to you in him. Send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts, that we may know the presence of Jesus in the breaking of bread, and share in the life of the family of your children.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Father, you call us to be your servants; fill us with the courage and love of Jesus, that all the world may gather in joy at the table of your kingdom. We sing your praise, almighty Father, through Jesus, our Lord, in the power of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

People Glory to you for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

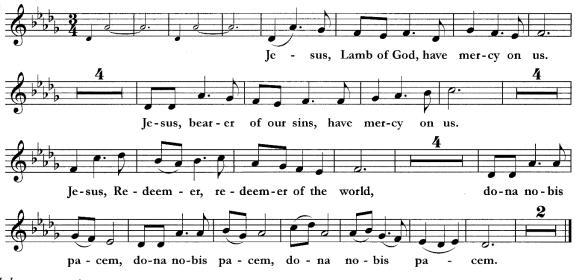


The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

People We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

Lamb of God



Celebrant continues

This is the table of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love him and for those who want to love him more. So, come, you who have much faith and you who have little; you who have been here often and you who have not been here long; you who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, because it is the Lord who invites you. It is his will that those who want him should meet him here.

Please be seated.

Distribution of Communion

Please join us at God's table.

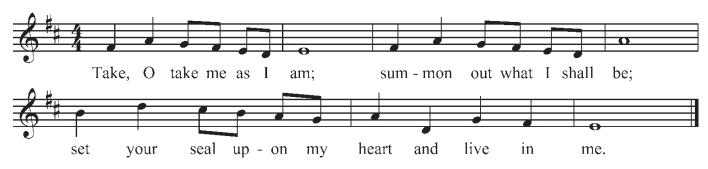
All people, including children, are invited to receive Communion. Gluten-free wafers are also available. If you would prefer not to take Communion but would like a blessing, please fold your arms across your chest.

Communion	Music	Taste and See	
	Refrain:	Taste and see.	
		Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.	
		O Taste and see.	
		Taste and see the goodness of the Lord, of the Lord.	
	1	I will bless the Lord at all times. His praise shall always be on my lips;	
		My soul shall glory in the Lord;	
		For He has been so good to me. <i>Refrain</i> .	

- Glorify the Lord with me.
 Together let us all praise His name.
 I called the Lord and He answered me;
 From all my troubles He set me free. *Refrain.*
- Worship the Lord all you people.
 You'll want for nothing if you ask.
 Taste and see that God is good;
 In Him we need put all our trust. *Refrain.*

Two minutes of silence follows.

After Communion Music Take, O Take Me As I Am



After Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

All Loving God, we give you thanks that in the sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood, you awaken us to your indwelling Presence and our true life. Help us to recognize and honor your Presence in one another, to treat each other with reverence and humility, and to become, more and more, the people we already are in you. Amen.

The Blessing

Celebrant The Wisdom of God, the Love of God, and the Grace of God strengthen you to be Christ's hands and heart in this world, in the name of the Holy Trinity. **Amen.**

Music for Meditation As the Deer

Arr. Douglas E. Wagner

Please stand.

Dismissal

Reader May God, who is present in sunrise and nightfall, and in the crossing of the sea, guide your feet as you go.
May God, who is with you when you sit and when you stand, encompass you with love and lead you by the hand.
May God, who knows your path and the places where you rest, be with you in your waiting, be your good news for sharing, and lead you in the way that is everlasting.

All Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Postlude on Warrenton

Arr. Mark Hayes

Feel free to depart during the postlude.

Jerald Jay, Piano Rachel Kamps, Soloist



Christ Church serves the parish and our community throughout the week in addition to our Sunday services. These are a few of the upcoming and ongoing events you are invited and encouraged to check out, come and see what's happening on our Ponte Vedra campus and throughout the world. Sunday Service Schedule and bulletins are available at ccpvb.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

All Saints Sunday - Nov 3 (Ingathering Sunday)

Newcomer Class Series - Nov 3, 10 & 17 10:15 am in Room 124 F+A bldg Wondering about this faith community and the ways we worship? Join us for this 3 session class to explore, ask questions and make new friends. Contact Deacon Leila at leila@ccpvb.org to sign up!

Caregiver Support Group

Beginning on Tuesday Nov 5th in F+A room 106 from 5:30 - 6:30, F&A room 106 Christ Church is excited to launch a new Caregivers' Group following the success of our recent Caring for the Caregiver Series. Sessions will feature local caregiving experts, insightful discussions, and a supportive environment for fellowship. Whether you're a caregiver or supporting one, this group offers a space to share experiences and find encouragement. Join us as we come together to share and care at Caregivers' Group! Contact: Candice Tiner at caregivers@ccpvb.org All Souls Service, Wednesday, November 6, 7 pm, in the main Church Sanctuary Please join our choir, soloists, and select instrumentalists as we honor those who we have lost through the incredible music of Heather Sorenson's "Requiem." The All-Souls service is a unique service, in that we combine the Requiem's beautiful music with our spoken liturgy to honor those who have passed. You will have an opportunity to light a candle on behalf of your loved ones. In Heather's "Requiem" there is a tremendous sense of hope, faith, belief, and a celebration of the Communion of Saints co-joining heaven and earth.

SUNDAY, October 27

Grab a Bag Sunday

Our monthly food drive helps stock the shelves of BEAM and St Mary's food pantries. This Sunday pick up a shopping bag and list after worship, and bring your donations to the dining room (tables by the north end doors) any time during the week or next Sunday.





HAPPENING THIS WEEK

WEEKLY OFFERINGS

For more details, please visit ccpvb.org/connect/learning-and-formation

Monday, October 28

Stitchers of Love - 10:00 am - 12:00 noon, Hospitality Lobby Contact: Helen Tucker at Tucker658@bellsouth.net

Cursillo Men's Fourth Day - 5:00 pm in Room F 202, F+A Building Open to all men who have attended a Cursillo weekend. Contact: cursilloccpvb@gmail.com

Painting Group - 6:00 - 8:00 pm in the Hospitality Lobby Contact: barnettml615@gmail.com

Tuesday, October 29

Tai Chi - 10:00-11:00 am in Room F 106, F+A Building Contact: Daniel Jones at djonesdragon@gmail.com or Deacon Leila at leila@ccpvb.org

Living, Loving, Learning Women's Bible Study 2:00 p.m. in F+A Room 204 and Zoom Contact: Laura Millon at lauramillon519@gmail.com

Vestry Meeting

5:15 p.m. Room F 204 Monthly meeting of the Christ Church Vestry, open to all.

Wednesday, October 30

Clergy-led Bible Study - 10:00 am in Westbury Hall Dining Room and on Zoom Contact: The Rev. Amy Slater at aslater@ccpvb.org

Centering Prayer - 11:00 am - 12:00 pm – The Center for Spirituality Contact: Deacon Leila at leila@ccpvb.org

Contemplative Book Club - 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm Room 224 F+A Runs through November 13 - "Holy Envy" by Barbara Brown Taylor. New folks are welcome, contact Mary Anne Young to sign up at mayoung32082@googlemail.com

Episcopal Youth Community (EYC)

- Youth House (6th - 12th grades) Homework & Hangs 3:30-4:30 pm Low Tide : 4: 30-6:00 pm High Tide: 7:00-8:30 pm Contact: Lmagevney@ccpvb.org

Holy Eucharist Rite Two 5:30 pm in the Cooper Chapel A quiet and reflective Eucharistic service with candle lighting.





Wednesday Night Community Dinners

Westbury Hall Dining Room Wednesdays through Dec 11, with dinner served from 5:45-7:00 pm \$8 per person, \$32 family max. Volunteers are needed - contact Mel Johnson at Melissa.Kurz.Johnson@gmail.com

Love First Social Club - Ages 3+ Room 111-113, F+A Building Wednesdays through Dec 11 from 6:15 pm -7:00 pm

Women in the Word - 7:00 pm in the upstairs conference room of Westbury Hall Contact Mary Ann Reynolds at mahrey51@aol.com, Kay Verble at ksvpvb@gmail.com, or Jane Wallace at wilsonssidekick@gmail.com

Christ Church Book Club -7:00 pm in Room F 204, F+A Building Contact: Mark Barrett at mbarrett@vrlinkcorp.com

Children's Choir Rehearsals Wednesdays from 5:15 pm - 6:00 pm in Room F 124, F+A Building All kids from 4 years of age through 5th grade are welcome to join!

Thursday, October 31

Blessings in a Backpack - 8:30 am in the Dining Room. Join the team packing food items to be distributed to local children at the end of the school week. Contact Sharon Kehoe for information at biggieinga@aol.com. Tai Chi- New Additional class on Thursdays -10:00-11:00 am in Room F 106, F+A Building Contact: Daniel Jones at djonesdragon@gmail.com or Deacon Leila at leila@ccpvb.org

Friday, November 1

Men's Bible Study & Breakfast - 7:00 am in the Westbury Hall Dining Room

Soulful Moms - 9:00 am -10:45 am in the Center for Spirituality group room Contact: Amy Schmitt at aschmitt@ccpvb.org.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

On Sunday, Nov 3 at 10:15 in Room 111-113 there will be an informational meeting about a once in a lifetime pilgrimage in the Footsteps of Paul and the Seven Churches of the Revelation. The Pilgrimage will take us to some of the most important Christian sites in Greece and Turkey.

The dates of the pilgrimage are set for October 31, 2025, returning on November 15th, 2025. Join us on Sunday Nov 3 between services to learn more!

Veterans Day - Nov 10

Alternative Giving Fair - Nov 17





Join Us for Club 45 Afternoon Art Hangout!

Hey 4th and 5th Graders!

We're excited to invite you to our **Club 45 Afternoon Art Hangout!** It's happening November 17 from 4:30-6:00, and we've got some creative activities planned just for you. Whether you love painting, drawing, or crafting, this is your chance to unleash your creativity and have fun with friends! No need to bring anything—we'll have all the supplies ready, along with snacks and drinks. Just come ready to create, relax, and enjoy an awesome afternoon of art! We can't wait to see you there!

Joyful Friends Luncheon

Tue, November 19, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm Dining room. Join us for a delicious lunch and great fellowship. RSVP to the front office: 904-285-6127

Thanksgiving Eve Holy Eucharist

Wednesday, Nov 27 7:00 p.m. Christ Church Main Sanctuary. Share your gratitude in this quiet family friendly service of Holy Eucharist, and prepare your hearts for Thanksgiving. During the service, Individuals and households are invited to come forward and share with the clergy their reasons to be thankful to God.

Advent Wreaths - Dec 1

A Visit from St. Nick - Dec 4

Advent Quiet Retreat Workshop - Eve of Dec 5 & Day of Dec 7

Christ Church Nutcracker - Dec 14

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Soup for the Soul Contact: Maura at Maura.waller@comcast.net

Growing Our Greeter Ministry

Contact: Linda O'Dell at lindarafael19@gmail.com

Meals on Wheels

Please contact Pam Gordon at 904-250-5693 for more information.

Lay Pastoral Visitor Ministry

This is a new group dedicated to serving our fellow members who are unable to participate in the life of the church actively and regularly. We are looking for passionate people to be the faces, voices, and spirit of Christ's church as we visit, occasionally phone, and remind people that they are an important part of our church family. Your unique gifts will be a valuable addition to our team. To learn more about this opportunity to serve our community, reach out to Valerie Gambino at Valerie.gambino@comcast.net

Volunteers are needed for the **Kitchen and Hospitality** teams. Contact Jen DeRycker at jderyker@ccpvb.org for details.

Adult and youth volunteers are needed to lead **Children's Formation** classes this fall. Please contact Amy Schmitt at aschmitt@ccpvb.org.

Adult volunteers are needed to help facilitate Youth Programs on Wednesdays and Sundays this fall. Please contact Mother Laura Magevney at LMagevney@ccpvb.org





GET INVOLVED IN MUSIC MINISTRY

Children's Choir Rehearsals

Wednesdays 5:15-6 pm, Room F124 F+A Building All kids from 4 years of age through 5th grade are welcome to join.

Join a Choir

Rehearsals in the Choir Room, F+A Building If you are interested or have questions contact Dr. Rachel Root at rroot@ccpvb.org

Women's Ensemble

(high school students + adults) Rehearse Wednesdays 6:30-7 pm, sings monthly at 9 & 11:15 am

Men's Ensemble

(high school students + adults) Rehearse Wednesdays 6:30-7 pm, Large Rehearsal Room, sings monthly at 7:30, 9 & 11:15 am

Chancel Choir

(high school students + adults) Rehearse Wednesdays 7-8 pm, sings weekly at 11:15 am

Handbell Choir

(high school students + adults) Rehearse Thursdays 6-7 pm, plays monthly at either 9 or 11:15

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Worship The Rev. Andreis Diaz 904-285-7390, ext. 226 adiaz@ccpvb.org

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Worship Services

7:30 a.m.	Church Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Church Sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Cooper Chapel
9:00 a.m.	Cobblestone Atrium
9:00 a.m.	NSIA Community Center
11:15 a.m.	Church Sanctuary
11:15 a.m.	Parish Center, 2nd floor
12:45 p.m.	Cooper Chapel
5:00 p.m.	Church Sanctuary
5:30 p.m. (Wed)	Cooper Chapel

Holy Eucharist, Rite I Holy Eucharist, Rite II Holy Eucharist, Rite II Jordan Service Holy Eucharist, Rite II Holy Eucharist, Rite II Jordan Service Spanish-language Service Contemplative Service Holy Eucharist, Rite II

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