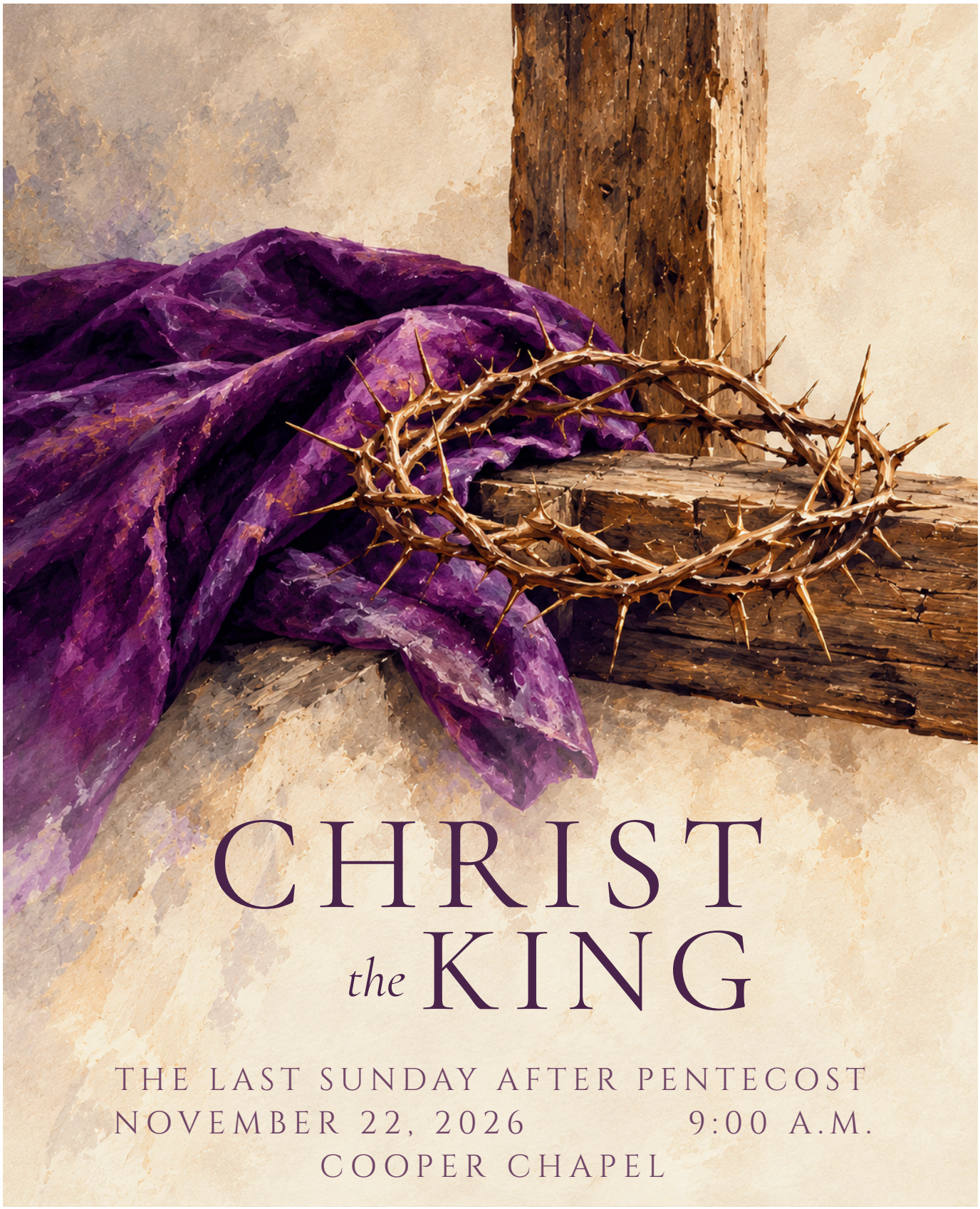


CHRIST *the* KING

THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

NOVEMBER 22, 2026 9:00 A.M.

COOPER CHAPEL

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!

We invite you to pray for the Baptism of Colvin Cassidy Brooke, Leilani Grace Hunt, Theodore Alexander Speirs, and Wesley Scott Speirs.

THE WORD OF GOD

As the Celebrant enters, please stand.

Introit (Psalm 95:1-7a)

Celebrant The earth is the Lord's for he made it:
People **Come let us adore him.**

Celebrant Come, let us sing to the Lord; *
All **let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.**

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, *
and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *
and the heights of the hills are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it, *
and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

Celebrant The earth is the Lord's for he made it:
People **Come let us adore him.**

Opening Sentences Page 355, *The Book of Common Prayer*

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

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

The 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.**

Gloria Page 356, *The Book of Common Prayer*

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

The Reading

Lector A reading from the Prophet Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand.

The Gospel

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 25:31-46

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Please be seated.

The Sermon *The Reverend Wendy Billingslea*

Please stand.

The Nicene Creed Page 358, *The Book of Common Prayer*

You may kneel or sit.

A Litany of Thanksgiving for a Church

Leader Let us thank God whom we worship here in the beauty of holiness.

Eternal God, the heaven of heavens cannot contain you, much less the walls of temples made with hands. Graciously receive our thanks for this place, and accept the work of our hands, offered to your honor and glory.

Leader For the Church universal, of which these visible buildings are the symbol,
People **We thank you, Lord.**

Leader For your presence whenever two or three have gathered together in your Name,
People **We thank you, Lord.**

Leader For this place where we may be still and know that you are God,
People **We thank you, Lord.**

Leader For making us your children by adoption and grace, and refreshing us day by day with the bread of life.
People **We thank you, Lord.**

Leader For the knowledge of your will and the grace to perform it,
People **We thank you, Lord.**

Leader For the fulfilling of our desires and petitions as you see best for us,
People **We thank you, Lord.**

Leader For the pardon of our sins, which restores us to the company of your faithful people,
People **We thank you, Lord.**

Leader For the blessing of our vows and the crowning of our years with your goodness,

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Leader For the faith of those who have gone before us and for our encouragement by their perseverance,

People **We thank you, Lord.**

Leader For the fellowship of all your Saints,

People **We thank you, Lord.**

After a brief silence, the Celebrant concludes with the following Doxology

Celebrant Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty;

People **For everything in heaven and on earth is yours.**

Celebrant Yours, O Lord, is the kingdom;

People **And you are exalted as head over all. Amen.**

Please stand.

The Peace

Page 360, *The Book of Common Prayer*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Please be seated.

Welcome and Announcements

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THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

Please stand for the Presentation.

The Presentation

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

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B Page 367, *The Book of Common Prayer*

The Lord's Prayer Page 364, *The Book of Common Prayer*

The Breaking of the Bread Page 364, *The Book of Common Prayer*

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.
The usher will guide you to the altar rail for Communion.

You may kneel or sit.

Postcommunion Prayer Page 365, *The Book of Common Prayer*

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **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.**

The Blessing

Please stand.

Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

TODAY, Sunday November 22

The Best Breakfast in Ponte Vedra Beach is on us! Newcomers are invited to a special welcome breakfast in the parish hall. There will be reserved table with parishioners to share more about Christ Church and enjoy fellowship. Join us before or after your service!

Breakfast: 8:15am - 10:45am. $10/adult, $7/children under 8; $34 family max.

Young Adults Group (20s & 30s)
Oct 25-Dec 20 | 10:15-11am | Room 202
A Sunday offering for young adults

Clergy Forum (100)
Nov 1-22 | 10:15-11:00 am. | Room 106
A Clergy led, multi-generational gathering for "holy conversation" about the readings of the day and our spiritual lives.

Gabe Bove Bible Study (100)
10:15-11:00am | Room 209

Nursery Care - Available from 8:45am to 12:30pm; ages four months to 5.

Children's Chapel | 9:15 am | Lobby

Children's Formation | 10:15-11:00

Youth Forum |10:15-11 | Youth House

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Anniversary Sunday is on December 6. If you are having a 10, 20, 30, 40, or 50+ anniversary of membership here at Christ Church, you should have received an invitation to join us at either of the 9:00 or 11:15 services in the Sanctuary. If we've missed you, it's very possible our data is incorrect! We would love to celebrate you. Please reach out to Valerie Gambino at vgambino@ccpvb.org with questions.

Childrens' Choirs | Wednesdays
Contact: Stephanie Murray at SMurray@ccpvb.org
Youth Choir will start on Wednesday, January 13, 2027. All Middle School and High School students are invited to join. We will rehearse in the sanctuary from 6:30pm - 7:00pm.

Donations for Christmas Flowers for 2026 are open until December 7 and are often given in Memory of or Thanksgiving for loved ones. To donate, please fill out a form in the office or give online. If you choose to give via our website, please email names to Liz McCarthy at Lmccarthy@ccpvb.org

Christmas Decorating
Help is needed decorating our beautiful church for the Christmas season on **Saturday, November 28** or **Saturday, December 19** from 8-1. Please register online at ccpvb.org or contact Mary Watson at mvw172@gmail.com for more information.

Children's Christmas Pageant Online registration is available now! Pageants will be held at the 2:00pm and 6:00pm services on Christmas Eve.

Did you know Christ Church has a Giving Catalog? All of our wonderful outreach partners are featured, along with ways that you can help this holiday season. Giving is open through December 23. Scan here to browse and donate!

SPECIAL EVENTS THIS WEEK

Thanksgiving Eve Holy Eucharist
November 25 | 5:30 p.m. | Main Sanctuary
Share your gratitude in this family-friendly service of Holy Eucharist, and prepare your hearts for Thanksgiving. *Please note: Join us for this service in the Main Sanctuary instead of the Chapel.*

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Advent Wreaths – Nov 29 in the Courtyard
Bring the whole family to start the Advent season by making your own wreath to take home.

St. Nicholas Service – December 2 at 5:30pm
Our very own St. Nicholas will tell us his story and talk about the spirit of giving and God's love during a service of Holy Eucharist, helping us to prepare our hearts for Christmas. Donations of new, unwrapped toys will be collected for our local outreach partner agencies either at the service or ahead of time in the church office. Join us for hot chocolate and cookies in the courtyard after the service. *This will take the place of our Wednesday Chapel service.*

Christ Church Hikers Group
10a-12n on 1st Friday & 3rd Monday
Next hike: 12/4 – Durbin Preserve
Email Bob at Bobcampbell777@gmail.com to RSVP and for the meeting point of each hike.

Advent Quiet Day – December 5
Chapel | 10am – 2pm | Come as you can
This is a time to prepare our hearts for the season. Learn more online at ccpvb.org.

Vicar's Landing Choir Concert – Sounds of the Season – All are invited!
December 6 | 4:00pm | Vicar's Landing

Advent Retreat Day (In Spanish)
Dec 12 | 10am - 4pm | Camp Weed Conference Center. This retreat will be conducted entirely in Spanish. Registration is required, and a participation fee applies. For registration and cost information, please contact Fr. Andreis at adiaz@ccpvb.org.

Miss Felicia's 31st Annual Nutcracker Ballet – December 12. Tickets are available now!

Blue Christmas - December 16 at 5:30pm
A time when we can, with others, acknowledge any sad feelings we may have at Christmas time, the reasons for them, and offer them to God. We invite you to reflect on your feeling and we pray that you will find hope and comfort in knowing that you are not alone. Contact Deacon Leila at Leila@ccpvb.org for more information.

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Worship Services

7:30 a.m.	Church Sanctuary	Holy Eucharist, Rite I
9:00 a.m.	Church Sanctuary	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
9:00 a.m.	Cooper Chapel	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
9:00 a.m.	Parish Center, 2nd floor	Contemporary Service
9:00 a.m.	NSIA Community Center	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
11:15 a.m.	Church Sanctuary	Holy Eucharist, Rite II
11:15 a.m.	Parish Center, 2nd floor	Contemporary Service
12:45 p.m.	Parish Center, 2nd floor	Spanish-language Service
5:00 p.m.	Church Sanctuary	Contemplative Service
5:30 p.m. (Wed)	Cooper Chapel	Holy Eucharist, Rite II

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SERMON NOTES



The world has changed.

And at times we feel further apart than ever before.

But, two things haven't changed:

God's Unwavering Love, and our need for each other.

With that comes the love that Christ Church has for you—all of you.

Because no matter if you attend virtually or in-person.

If you're Episcopalian or Non-Denominational.

Young or Old. Lean Left or Right.

Through the love of Jesus Christ, we are one.

Christ Church is not just a place, it's a community.

It's not just what you do on Sunday, it's how you live every day.

With opportunities to grow, learn, create, worship, praise, connect, serve, and thrive.

We are a church centered around Christ.

We are a community centered around Christ

We are the community of Christ Church.

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