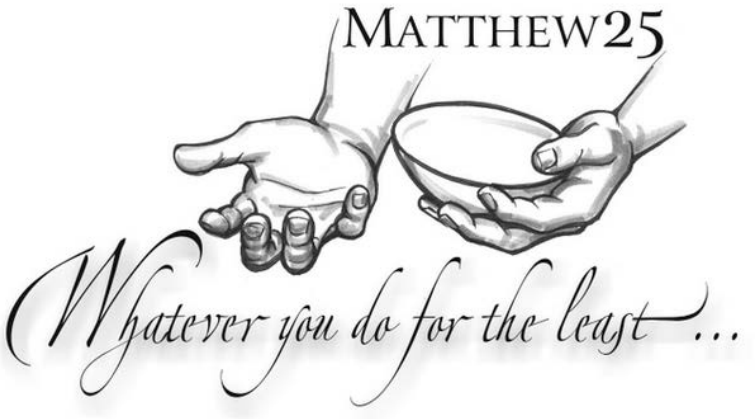
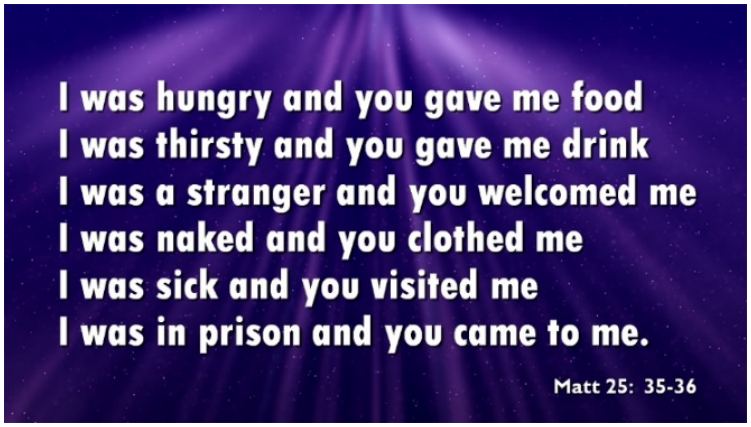




St. Christopher's Episcopal Church

Holy Eucharist: Rite II

The Twenty-Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

November 22, 2026

9:30 a.m.

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Sunday, November 22, 2026

Liturgy of the Word

Prelude		
Announcements		Marva Martinez
Processional	*Come Ye Thankful People Come*	H-290
Opening Acclamation		BCP 355
Gloria	*Glory to God*	S-278
The Collect of the Day		Attached
First Reading	Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24	Attached
The Psalm	Psalm 95: 1-7a	Attached

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen

Second Reading	Ephesians 1: 15-23	Attached
Gospel Hymn	*Seek Ye First*	H-711
Gospel	Matthew 25: 31-46	Attached
Sermon		Fr. Gerardo Brambila
Nicene Creed		BCP 358
Prayers of the People Form VI		Attached
Confession		BCP 360
The Peace		BCP-360
Birthdays/Anniversaries/Blessings		BCP Inside Cover
Travel Blessings		BCP 831

Offertory

Offertory Sentence		BCP 376
Offertory Anthem	*We Thank You For Your Love by Don Palm*	
Doxology	*Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*	H-380, v. 3

The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer A		BCP 361
Sanctus	*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord*	S-129
The Lord's Prayer	*Our Father*	Hymnal Inside Front Cover
Fraction Anthem	*Christ Our Passover*	S-155
The Breaking of the Bread		BCP 364

The Invitation & Distribution

Communion Hymn	*Eagle's Wings*	W-810
Post Communion Prayer		BCP 365
The Blessing		Celebrant's Choice
Dismissal Hymn	*How Firm A Foundation*	H-637
Dismissal Acclamation		BCP 366

St. Christopher's uses the following texts as worship aides:

The Book of Common Prayer = BCP
The 1982 Hymnal = H
Wonder, Love & Praise Hymnal = WLP

Today's Worship Leaders

Celebrant:	Fr. Gerardo Brambila
Deacon	Deacon Emmanuel Bola Oluloro
Verger:	Patty Emanuelson
Crucifer:	Judi Soock
Gospel Bearer	Deacon Bola
First Reading and Psalm	Marva Martinez
Second Reading	Stella Oluloro
Prayers of the People	Mary Ann Ronan
Chalice Bearers:	Betty Roddy & Judi Soock
Music Director	Mr. Don Palm

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Collect of the Day

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 forever. *Amen.*

First Lesson
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.

The Psalm
Psalm 95 : 1-7a

1. Come, let us sing to the Lord; *
   let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
2. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *
   and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.
3. For the Lord is a great God, *
   and a great King above all gods.
4. In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *
   and the heights of the hills are his also.
5. The sea is his, for he made it, *
   and his hands have molded the dry land.
6. Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
   and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
7. For he is our God, *
   and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

The Epistle
Ephesians 1: 15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The Holy Gospel
Matthew 25:31-46

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 cl othing? 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."

The Prayers of the People Form VI

L: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. For all people in their daily life and work;

People: For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

L: For this community, the nation, and the world;

People: For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

L: For the just and proper use of your creation;

People: For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

L: For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People: For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

L: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People: For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

L: For Sean, our Presiding Bishop, Jennifer, our Bishop, Gerardo, our Rector; and for all bishops and other ministers;

People: For all who serve God in his Church.

L: Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our Armed Forces serving in our military serving at home and abroad, including the United States Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marines, Navy, Space Force and Merchant Marines. We pray specifically for Matt, Zach, Christopher, and Tierra.

People: Defend them day-by-day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; grant them a sense of your adding presence wherever they may be.

L: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence – The People may add their own petitions

L. Hear us, Lord;

People: For your mercy is great.

L: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence - The People may add their own thanksgivings

L: We will exalt you, O God our King;

People: And praise your Name for ever and ever.

L: We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence - The People may add their own petitions

L: Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People: Who put their trust in you.

L: We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



St. Christopher's Episcopal Church
Weekly Announcements
November 22, 2026

Our Vision: One congregation worshiping and serving in two languages.
Our Mission: We are the heart, hands, and feet of Jesus: welcoming all to worship and serving those in need to the glory of God.

Please leave the music inserts and the Prayers of the People inserts in the pews or in the narthex. Thank you for helping to save administrative costs.



MEN'S BREAKFAST: No Men's Breakfast this coming Thursday (November 26)

OFFICE CLOSED: The office will be closed on **Thursday, November 26 and Friday, November 27.** Any information for the announcements should be in the office by **Wednesday.** Thank you.

FIRST DAY OF ADVENT/CONSECRATION SUNDAY: Sunday, November 29 will be a **bilingual service at 9:00 a.m.,** with a soup, bread and dessert meal. Sign up sheets are in the Narthex **today** to sign up for soup, bread or dessert. And also to help serve and clean up.

Parishioners will have the opportunity to ask questions and discuss Fr. Gerardo's upcoming change to part-time status.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE SERVICE: There will be a Celebration of Life for Clive Chancey on **Wednesday, December 9 at 10:00 a.m.** here at St. Christopher's in the Resurrection Chapel. All are welcome.

ADVENT BIBLE STUDY: Wednesdays at 10:45 a.m. with Mary Ann Ronan following the Liturgy & Healing Service:

November 25: Mark: 13: 24 – 37
Jesus will come to gather all people to himself not in judgment. "Come Lord, Jesus" is a willingness to live in a new hope of trusting surrender without answers.

December 2: Mark 1: 1 – 8
John the Baptizer is the strangest combination of conviction, humility, mysticism, and prophecy. He let go of his own message and his own life.

December 9: NO BIBLE STUDY – Clive Chancey Celebration of Life

December 16: John 1: 6 – 8, 19 – 28
The Isaiah Reading (Isaiah 61- 1 – 2a, 10 – 11) describes the coming Servant of Yahweh is the same message in Luke 4: 18-19. Jesus describes his message to be for the marginalized: the poor, the imprisoned, the blind and downtrodden. His ministry was not to the good, but to reach out to those on the edge. What divisions are in you? How can you let the Holy Spirit mend them?

December 23: Luke 1: 26 – 38
Mary and Joseph both rely on their angels! They walked in blind faith. No one reassured them. They didn't have a safety net. Have you ever done that? What happened? Where they rebellious?

BARGAINS: Bargains is now open between services on the **second and fourth Sundays of each month.** All are invited.

GIVING STATEMENTS AND STEWARDSHIP: A reminder that Year 2026 giving statements are now in your mail cart folders. If you have questions, please ask Dick Young or Mona Guarino.

Please note that the Stewardship materials which came from the national office, indicate the year 2026 and should read 2027. Also, if you complete a Time and Talent form, please include your name. Thank you so much for your support!

MORNING PRAYER BY ZOOM ON WEDNESDAYS AT 10:05 AM: If you like morning prayer and can't get to church all the time, feel free to join us on Zoom any Wednesday morning around 10:05-10:45. For more information, contact Patty Emanuelson, Mona Guarino or Beth Mayhew (602-435-5272). Look forward to seeing you!

STREAMING LINK: As a reminder, if you are unable to attend church in person, you can view both the English and Spanish services via our streaming link (below). Both English and Spanish bulletins can be found on the webpage and are sent out via email on Fridays. If you have any questions regarding the link, please speak with Bill Lynn.

https://www.youtube.com/@StChris_SunCityAZ/streams

FELLOWSHIP AND COFFEE HOUR

You're Invited! – Coffee Fellowship Gathering

We'd love for you to join us for a time of fellowship and warm conversation and friendly faces.

Date: Every Sunday

Time: After Worship Service

Location: Parish Hall

We can't wait to see you there!

Coffee hour is in need of extra hands to help in the kitchen. And coffee hour is always in need of donations of cookies, donuts, coffee cakes, fruit trays – anything you would like to bring.

Look for the sign-up sheet in the kitchen.

Domingo Lopez hosts this week's coffee hour. We really do appreciate the help Everyone gives each week! Thank you!



Happy Anniversary in November

Gail & Michael Tetrick 56 years



Happy Birthday to Everyone Celebrating in November

Ángel Balderrama Valenzuela
Hailey Bushofsky
Natalie Bushofsky
Briana Casillas
Bryan Dickey
Isabel Guerrero Quezada
Jane Cooley
Dollie Hanney
Diane Plein
Beth Mayhew
Al Franco
Tad Daughters
Christina Flores
Ronald Jackson
Bill Lynn

FOOD BANK/FOOD DRIVE: Next week is "Canned Goods" Sunday. Valley View Food Bank is also in need of canned goods—canned vegetables, fruit, including low salt and low sugar, canned meat (spam, etc), canned tuna, sardines, salmon.. Please bring any canned goods to share. Thank you so much for your kindness and generosity.

Monthly Food Bank Donations

	November 16	**2026 Total**
Weight	**40 lbs.**	**1,449 lbs.**
Cash	**$500.00**	**$1,601.00**
Water Project		**$817.00**

Monthly Thrift Shop Stats

	November 16	**November Total**	**2026 Year Total**
Bargains	$448:00	$1,583.75.00	$21,987.00**
Big Brothers/Big Sisters	$39.10		
Bookstore	$70.00	$190.00	$2,638.55

*****Bargains total this week includes money received from Big Brothers/Big Sisters.***

<u>This Week's Prayer List</u>

Effective October 1, names will remain on the prayer list for 30 days, after which they will be removed. If you would like to add someone to the prayer list or have someone remain on the prayer list, please add the information to the sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Thank you.

* Juan Gabriel Aleman * Anne * Jim Barnette * Skip Broomfield * Kia Browning * Tim Buffery *
* Karen Butler * John Card * Claudio * Jane Cooley * Fr. Brian Couvillion * Jean Durrett *
* Fr. Gerardo * Karen Harry * Michael Heap * Judith * Kim * Gene Lapham * Terry Lewis *
* Domingo Lopez * Lorna * Ernesto Martinez * Marva Martinez * Larry Mayper *
* Jeff McBride * Maureen * Shawn Mirigian * Hivanny Oliver * Marla Karla Pallas * Don Palm *
* Paul & Paula * Jean Phelps * Ramon * Jill Renner * The Ríos Family * Rick & Robbie *
* Betty Roddy * Javier Sanchez * Socorro Sanchez * Stella * Anna Van Scoter *
* David Scott (Barbara Kimball's son) * Victoria * Lynn Viviano-Webb * Carol Weber *
* Steve Wheatley * Janet Young * Ester Zamora *

<u>For those who have died</u>

* Clive Chancey * Janice Crane * Kathryn Frantz * Jay Díaz Ríos *

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