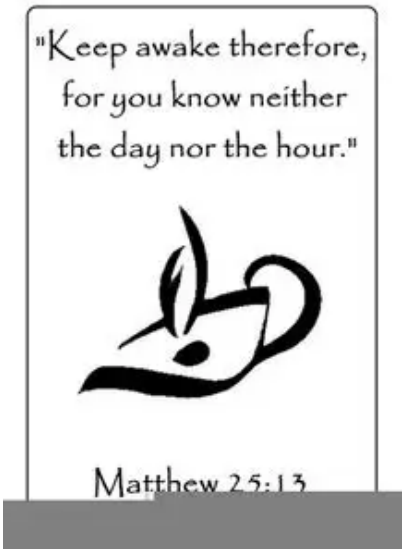




St. Christopher's Episcopal Church

Holy Eucharist: Rite II
The Twenty-Fourth Sunday After Pentecost
November 8, 2026
9:30 a.m.

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Holy Eucharist Rite II -
Sunday, November 8, 2026

Liturgy of the Word

Prelude		
Announcements		Mike Soock
Processional	*God of Our Fathers*	H-718
Opening Acclamation		BCP 355
Gloria	*Glory to God*	S-278
The Collect of the Day		Attached
First Reading	Wisdom 6: 12-16	Attached
The Psalm	Wisdom 6: 17-20	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	1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18	Attached
Gospel Hymn	*Alleluia, Alleluia*	H-178, Vs 1, 2
Gospel	Matthew 25: 1-13	Attached
Sermon		Deacon Emmanuel Bola Oluloro
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	*The Majesty and Glory of Your Name by Tom Fetke*	
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	*Let Us Break Bread Together*	H-325
Post Communion Prayer		BCP 365
The Blessing		Celebrant's Choice
Dismissal Hymn	*My Country 'Tis of Thee*	H-717
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:	Deacon Emmanuel Bola Oluloro
Deacon	Deacon Emmanuel Bola Oluloro
Verger:	Patty Emanuelson
Crucifer:	Judi Soock
Gospel Bearer	Deacon Bola
First Reading and Psalm	Lisa Wolford
Second Reading	Diane Plein
Prayers of the People	Don Palm
Chalice Bearers:	Judi Soock & Patty Emanuelson
Music Director	Mr. Don Palm

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Diane Plein, Clerk of the Vestry
Mona Guarino, Treasurer
Chinenye Anako, Member-at-Large
Marva Martinez, Member-at-Large
Mary Salgado, Member-at-large
Mike Soock , Member-at-Large
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Collect of the Day

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. *Amen.*

First Lesson
Wisdom of Solomon 6: 12–16

Wisdom is radiant and unfading, and she is easily discerned by those who love her and is found by those who seek her. She hastens to make herself known to those who desire her. One who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty, for she will be found sitting at the gate. To fix one's thought on her is perfect understanding, and one who is vigilant on her account will soon be free from care, because she goes about seeking those worthy of her, and she graciously appears to them in their paths, and meets them in every thought.

The Psalm
Wisdom of Solomon 6: 17-20

The beginning of wisdom is the most sincere desire for instruction, and concern for instruction is love of her, and love of her is the keeping of her laws, and giving heed to her laws is assurance of immortality, and immortality brings one near to God; so the desire for wisdom leads to a kingdom.

The Epistle
1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

The Holy Gospel
Matthew 25: 1-13

Jesus said, "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

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 8, 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.



OFFICE CLOSURE: The office will be closed on Wednesday, November 11 in honor of Veteran's Day.

We will honor our veterans with cake during coffee fellowship. Thank you to all our veterans.

NOVEMBER 11 WEDNESDAY SERVICE: No Wednesday service on November 11 as Father Gerardo is out of the office that week and the office is closed for the Veteran's Day holiday. In Father Gerardo's absence, please contact Deacon Bola with any pastoral emergencies.

MEMORIAL SERVICE: There will be a memorial service for Janice Crane on **Saturday, November 14th at 10:00 a.m.** here at St. Christophers. All are welcome.

IT'S TURKEY TIME!: St. Christopher's annual thanksgiving food drive for Valley View Food Bank is now ongoing. A flyer is attached which shows a list of foods that can be donated. These items should be brought to the church by **Sunday, November 15**. Thank you.

THANK YOU: Many thanks to all for the many prayers for David and myself. He is making good progress and I'm sure all your prayers had much to do with that. Gratefully, Barbara Kimball.



GIVING STATEMENTS AND STEWARDSHIP: 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

REMINDER RE: TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE: MCDOT will be temporarily closing 107th Avenue north of Northern Avenue beginning 5:00 a.m. on Monday, November 2 until late November 2026 (approximately three weeks). During the closure access will be maintained via Butler Drive and 111th and 103rd Avenues. Look for the detour signs.

WATER DRIVE: We continue to collect money and/or water for Valley View Food Bank as a way of assisting St. Christopher's community. Valley View will provide will share the water with the homeless who find themselves outside in the heat. There is a blessings container available to leave monetary donations or you can drop a check or cash (in an envelope) in the offering plate. Be sure to mark the envelope or check "Valley View Water Donation." Thank you.

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.

Dick Young 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
Jean Durrett
Dollie Hanney
Diane Plein
Beth Mayhew
Al Franco
Tad Daughters
Christina Flores
Ronald Jackson
Bill Lynn

Monthly Food Bank Donations

	November 2	2026 Total
Weight		1,409 lbs.
Cash	$100.00	$1,1010.00
Water Project		$817.00

Monthly Thrift Shop Stats

	November 2	November Total	2026 Year Total
Bargains	$651.00	$651.00	$21,015.15**
Bookstore	$120.00	$120.00	$2,568.55

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

This Week's Prayer List

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 * Clive Chancey * Claudio * Jane Cooley * Jean Durrett * Fr. Gerardo *
* Karen Harry * Michael Heap * Judith * Kim * Gene Lapham * Terry Lewis * Domingo Lopez *
* L:orna * Ernesto Martinez * Marva Martinez * Larry Mayper * Jeff McBride * Maureen *
* Shawn Mirigian * Hivanny Oliver * Marla Karla Pallas * Don Palm * Jean Phelps * Ramon *
* Jill Renner * Rick & Robbie * Betty Roddy * Javier Sanchez * Socorro Sanchez * Sue Stanford * Stella *
Anna Van Scoter * David Scott (Barbara Kimball's son) * Victoria * Lynn Viviano-Webb *
* Carol Weber * Steve Wheatley * Janet Young * Ester Zamora *

For those who have died

* Fr. Brian Couvillion * Janice Crane * Kathryn Frantz *

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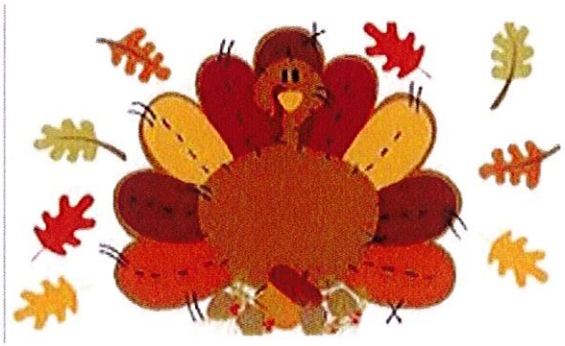
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It's Turkey time!

Our annual thanksgiving food drive for Valley View foodbank.

¡Es hora de Turquía!

Nuestra colecta anual de alimentos de Acción de Gracias para el banco de alimentos Valley View.

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Please purchase:

3 boxes of mac & cheese
2 16 oz cans of string beans
2 16 oz cans of yams or fresh
2 boxes of stuffing
2 boxes of mash potatoes (or 1 bag of rice)
2 16 oz cans of cranberry sauce
2 onions
1 box of bisquick or muffin mix
1 box of cake mix and frosting mix

Please bring your purchases to church by November 15

Favor de comprar

3 cajas de mac y queso
2 16 oz latas de judías verdes
2 16 oz latas de ñame o fresca
2 cajas de relleno
2 cajas de puré de patatas (o 1 saco de arroz)
2 16 oz latas de salsa de arándanos
2 cebollas
1 caja de bisquick o muffins
1 caja de mezcla para pastel y mezclar glaseado

Favor de traer sus compras a la iglesia para el 15 de noviembre

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