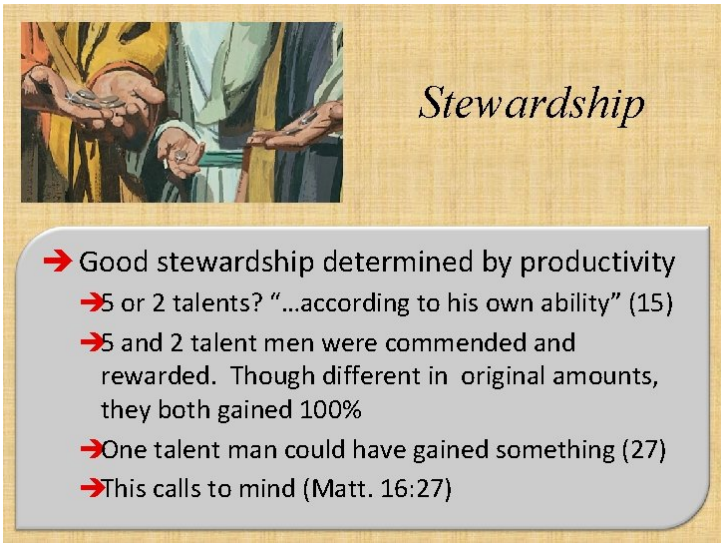




St. Christopher's Episcopal Church

Holy Eucharist: Rite II
The Twenty-Fifth Sunday After Pentecost
November 15, 2026
9:30 a.m.

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Sunday, November 15, 2026

Liturgy of the Word

Prelude		
Announcements		Chinenye Anako
Processional	*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*	H-390
Opening Acclamation		BCP 355
Gloria	*Glory to God*	S-278
The Collect of the Day		Attached
First Reading	Zephaniah 1: 7, 12-18	Attached
The Psalm	Psalm 90: 1-8, (9-11), 12	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 5: 1-11	Attached
Gospel Hymn	*Glorify Thy Name*	Attached
Gospel	Matthew 25: 14-30	Attached
Sermon		Mary Ann Ronan
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 Will Glorify by Twila Paris*	
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	*Here I Am Lord*	W-812
Post Communion Prayer		BCP 365
The Blessing		Celebrant's Choice
Dismissal Hymn	*The Church's One Foundation*	H-525
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:	Mary Ann Ronan
Deacon	Deacon Emmanuel Bola Oluloro
Verger:	Patty Emanuelson
Crucifer:	Betty Roddy
Gospel Bearer	Deacon Bola
First Reading and Psalm	Chinenye Anako
Second Reading	Judi Soock
Prayers of the People	Dick Young
Chalice Bearers:	Betty Roddy & Patty Emanuelson
Music Director	Mr. Don Palm

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Mona Guarino, Treasurer
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Mary Salgado, Member-at-large
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Collect of the Day

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

First Lesson
Zephaniah 1: 7,12-18

Be silent before the Lord God! For the day of the Lord is at hand; the Lord has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests.

At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts,

"The Lord will not do good, nor will he do harm."

Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste.

Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them.

The great day of the Lord is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there.

That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements.

I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the Lord, their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung.

Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the Lord's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

The Psalm
Psalm 90: 1-8, (9-11), 12

1. Lord, you have been our refuge *
   from one generation to another.
2. Before the mountains were brought forth, or the land and the earth were born, *
   from age to age you are God.
3. You turn us back to the dust and say, *
   "Go back, O child of earth."
4. For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past *
   and like a watch in the night.
5. You sweep us away like a dream; *
   we fade away suddenly like the grass.
6. In the morning, it is green and flourishes; *
   in the evening it is dried up and withered.
7. For we consume away in your displeasure; *
   we are afraid because of your wrathful indignation.
8. Our iniquities you have set before you, *
   and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.
9. [When you are angry, all our days are gone; *
   we bring our years to an end like a sigh.
10. The span of our life is seventy years, perhaps in strength even eighty; *
    yet the sum of them is but labor and sorrow, for they pass away quickly and we are gone.
11. Who regards the power of your wrath? *
    who rightly fears your indignation?]
12. So teach us to number our days *
    that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

The Epistle
1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, “There is peace and security,” then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor

pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

The Holy Gospel
Matthew 25: 14-30

Jesus said, "It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an

abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

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.

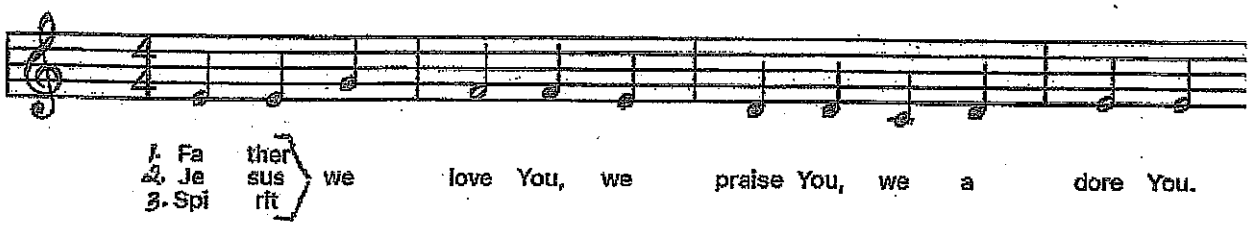
Leader and People

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.

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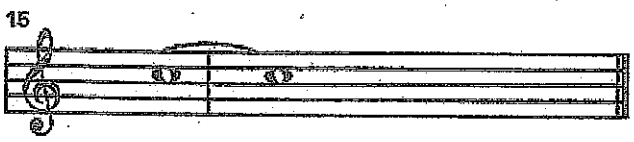
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St. Christopher's Episcopal Church
Weekly Announcements
November 15, 2026

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.



LADIES LUNCHEON: The Ladies Luncheon for November will be at J Michael's Diner, 13039 N. 103rd Avenue, Sun City, on Thursday, November 19 at 12:00 noon. All are welcome! Please contact Sue Schlichting if you have any questions.

MEN'S BREAKFAST: Friendly reminder that there will be no Men's Breakfast in November (November 26 is Thanksgiving Day).

CONSECRATION SUNDAY: Sunday, November 29 will be a bilingual service at **9:00 a.m.**, with a light soup and bread meal. Parishioners will have the opportunity to ask questions and discuss Fr. Gerardo's upcoming change to part-time status.

CHRISTOPHER SINGERS: The Christopher Singers enjoyed singing patriotic songs and others with the residents of Mary's Place last week. Our next event will be **Friday, November 20** at Lucy's Place, 16752 Greasewood St in Surprise **at 11:00 a.m.** Come join us for fun and lots of joyful noise to the Lord. If you need a ride, Diane can pick you up from St. Christopher's parking lot.

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

THANK YOU: To the person who provided the hat for Baxter Bear last week when we honored our veterans. The hat is in the office for safekeeping and can be picked up from there.

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

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.

Ann Gay hosts this week's coffee hour. We really do appreciate the help everyone gives each week! Thank you!

FOOD BANK: Thank you for the generous donations you give each week. The staples you have given are so appreciated as there is always a need for pasta, rice, beans, peanut butter, canned tomatoes, fruits, soups, personal hygiene products, cleaning and sanitation products. Money donations are always welcomed. Slip donation in an envelope and put in Sunday offering plate.

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 9	**November Total**	**2026 Year Total**
Bargains	$484.75	$1,135.75.00	$21,499.90**
Bookstore	$70.00	$190.00	$2,638.55

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



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

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 * 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 * 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 *

For those who have died

* Clive Chancey * Janice Crane * Kathryn Frantz *

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