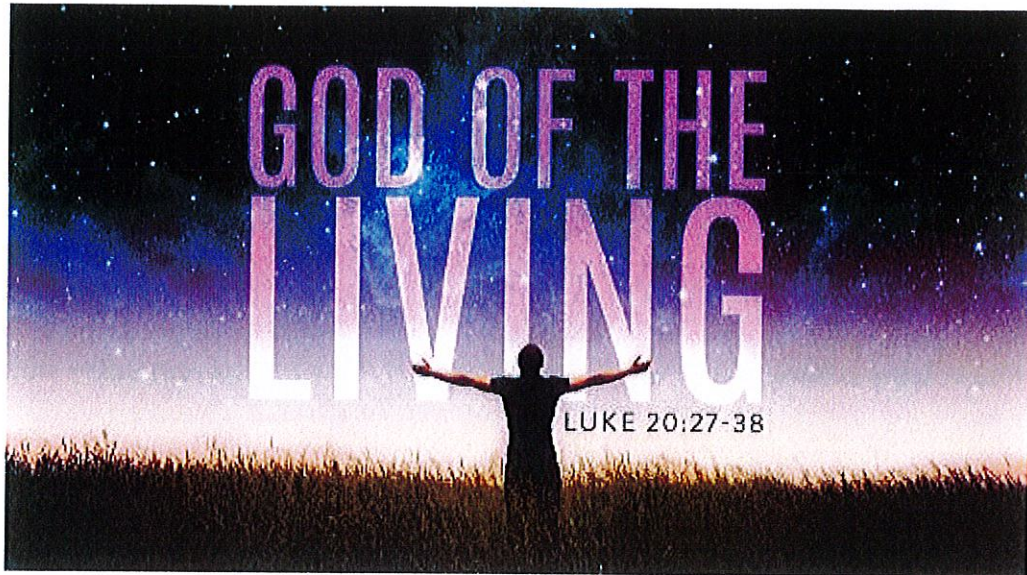




St. Christopher's Episcopal Church

Holy Eucharist: Rite II

Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost

Sunday, November 9, 2025

9:30 a.m.

St. Christopher's Episcopal Church

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**Holy Eucharist Rite II**  
**Sunday, October 26, 2025**

**Liturgy of the Word**

|                        |                           |            |
|------------------------|---------------------------|------------|
| Prelude                |                           |            |
| Announcements          |                           | Mike Soock |
| Processional           | <i>God of Our Fathers</i> | H-718      |
| Opening Acclamation    |                           | BCP 355    |
| Gloria                 | <i>Glory to God</i>       | S-278      |
| The Collect of the Day |                           | Attached   |
| First Reading          | Job 19: 23-27a            | Attached   |
| The Psalm              | Psalm 17: 1-9             | 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                    | 2 Thessalonians 2: 1-5, 13-17 | Attached                 |
| Gospel Hymn                       | <i>Alleluia, Alleluia</i>     | H-178, Vs 1, 2           |
| Gospel                            | Luke 20: 27-38                | Attached                 |
| Sermon                            |                               | The Rev Gerardo Brambila |
| Nicene Creed                      |                               | BCP 326                  |
| Prayers of the People Form VI     |                               | Attached                 |
| Absolution                        |                               | BCP 360                  |
| The Peace                         |                               | BCP-360                  |
| Birthdays/Anniversaries/Blessings |                               | BCP Inside Cover         |
| Travel Blessings                  |                               | BCP 831                  |

**Offertory**

|                    |                                                           |             |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Offertory Sentence |                                                           | BCP 376     |
| Offertory Anthem   | <i>Great Is Thy Faithfulness by Chisholm &amp; Runyan</i> |             |
| Doxology           | <i>Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>            | H-380, v. 3 |

**The Holy Communion**

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

**The Invitation & Distribution**

|                       |                                    |                    |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Communion Hymn        | <i>O Christ the Word Incarnate</i> | H-632              |
| Post Communion Prayer |                                    | BCP 365            |
| The Blessing          |                                    | Celebrant's Choice |
| Dismissal Hymn        | <i>My Country, 'Tis of Thee</i>    | H-717, Vs 1, 3, 4  |
| Dismissal Acclamation |                                    | BCP 366            |

## Collect of the Day

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## The First Lesson

### Job 19: 23-27a

Job said,

"O that my words were written down! O that they were inscribed in a book!  
O that with an iron pen and with lead they were engraved on a rock forever!  
For I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at the last he will stand upon the earth; and after my skin has been thus destroyed, then in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see on my side, and my eyes shall behold, and not another."

## The Psalm

### Psalm 17:1-9

1. Hear my plea of innocence, O Lord; give heed to my cry; \*  
**listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.**
2. Let my vindication come forth from your presence; \*  
**let your eyes be fixed on justice.**
3. Weigh my heart, summon me by night, \*  
**melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.**
4. I give no offense with my mouth as others do; \*  
**I have heeded the words of your lips.**
5. My footsteps hold fast to the ways of your law; \*  
**in your paths my feet shall not stumble.**
6. I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me; \*  
**incline your ear to me and hear my words.**
7. Show me your marvelous loving-kindness, \*  
**O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand from those who rise up against them.**
8. Keep me as the apple of your eye; \*  
**hide me under the shadow of your wings,**

**from my deadly enemies who surround me.**

**The Epistle**

**2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17**

As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

**The Holy Gospel**

**Luke 20: 27-38**

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus and asked him a question, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her."

Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection

from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive."

## The Prayers of the People Form VI

Lectpr: 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 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:              | The Rev Gerardo Brambila |
| Verger:                 | Patty Emanuelson         |
| Crucifer:               | Judi Soock & Connor Abel |
| Gospel Bearer           | Al Franco                |
| First Reading and Psalm | Lisa Wolford             |
| Second Reading          | Beth Mayhew              |
| Prayers of the People   | Don Palm                 |
| Chalice Bearers:        | Judi Soock & Al Franco   |
| Music Director          | Mr. Don Palm             |

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Jane Cooley, Senior Warden  
Bill Masters, Junior Warden  
Diane Plein, Clerk of the Vestry  
Richard Camp, Treasurer  
Chinenye Anako, Member-at-Large  
Carmen Borda, Member-at-Large  
Marva Martinez, Member-at-Large  
Mary Salgado, Member-at-large  
Mike Soock, Member-at-Large  
Dick Young, Member-at-Large

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## St. Christopher's Episcopal Church Weekly Announcements November 9, 2025

**Our Vision:**

**One congregation worshipping 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.*

*Friendly Reminder: All changes and submissions for the bulletin and/or announcements for Sunday, November 16 needs to be in the office by Thursday, November 13 at noon to be included. Thank you.*

### VETERANS DAY



HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

**VETERANS DAY:** Tuesday, November 11 is Veteran's Day. Thank you to all our veterans as we remember and honor all who served and are still serving.

**HAVE YOU HEARD?** The Christopher Singers of St. Christopher's Episcopal Church is a group ministry that conducts sing-a-longs at adult care centers every month. With a banjo, guitar, and flute, we will be making a joyous noise to the Lord on **Friday, November. 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 a.m.** at Lucy's Place, located at 16752 W. Greasewood St, Surprise. Ask Diane Plein or Bill Lynn for more information on how much fun we have! We would love to have you join us.

**2026 PLEDGES/PROMISE FORMS:** The Vestry and Stewardship Committee of St. Christopher's would like to thank the 22 people who submitted their 2026 Promise forms for blessing on Sunday November 2 during the bilingual All Saints Day/Day of the Dead service. This total also includes several forms that were submitted since the beginning of the Stewardship campaign and one submitted through the internet. We are pleased to report that the combined total of the commitments received is \$77,807. Promise forms were received from: Familia Aguirre-Salgado \* Marc Bouclier \* Sharon Cook \* Jane Cooley \* Tad Daughters \* Carole & Dudley Dickey \* Patty Emanuelson \* Kathryn Frantz \* Leona Lindvall \* Domingo Lopez \* Marva Martinez \* Beth Mayhew \* Don Palm \* Betty Roddy \* Michael Rowe \* Mike & Judi Soock \* Michael & Gail Tetrick \* Barbara Welsh \* Jane Williams \* Dick & Janet Young

**BIBLE STUDY:** One of the best ways to connect and grow in our church community is through small groups. Small groups are a place where we can study God's word together and support each other in our faith journeys. The Bible Study is open to everyone and takes place on **Mondays at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall.** Come and join in fellowship.

**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 – 10:35. For more information, contact Patty Emanuelson, Mona Guarino or Beth Mayhew (602-435-5272). Look forward to seeing you!

### **UPCOMING SERVICES**

**OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE:** Sunday, December 14 at 11:15 a.m.

**LAS POSADAS:** This year, to celebrate Las Posadas, St. Christopher's will join with Iglesia Episcopal de San Pablo, 2801 N. 31<sup>st</sup> Street, Phoenix on Saturday, December 20 at 5:00 p.m. **More information to come.**

**CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE:** There will be one Christmas Eve service in English, on Wednesday, December 24 at 5:00 p.m.

**CHRISTMAS MASS:** A Christmas Mass in Spanish will take place on Thursday, December 25 at 10:00 a.m.

**NAME BADGES:** We ask everyone to please remember to wear your name badge as it would be of immense help for Fr. Gerardo, new parishioners, and visitors. If you need a name badge, please contact the office.

**FOOD BANK/FOOD DRIVE:** **Next week is "Soup and Chili" Sunday.** Please bring cans of soup or broth, or packets of soup, bean mix or canned or dry ingredients for chili. Thank you so much for your kindness and generosity.

### **Monthly Food Bank Donations**

|        | <b>November 3</b> | <b>2025 Total</b> |
|--------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Weight | 100 lbs           | 1,379 lbs.        |
| Cash   |                   | \$700.00          |

## Monthly Thrift Shop Stats

|           | November 3 | November Total | 2025 Year Total |
|-----------|------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Bargains  | \$402.00   | \$402.00       | \$18,516.00 **  |
| Bookstore | \$33.00    | \$33.00        | \$2,202.00      |



### Happy Birthday to Everyone Celebrating in November

|                             |             |                  |             |
|-----------------------------|-------------|------------------|-------------|
| Angel Balderamma Valenzuela | November 1  | Dollie Hanney    | November 15 |
| Natalie Bushofsky           | November 1  | Diane Plein      | November 16 |
| Brian Casillas              | November 3  | Beth Mayhew      | November 17 |
| Bryan Dickey                | November 5  | Al Franco        | November 18 |
| Isabel Guerrero Quezada     | November 11 | Tad Daughters    | November 23 |
| Jane Cooley                 | November 12 | Christina Flores | November 27 |
| Maria Aguilar               | November 13 | Ronald Jackson   | November 29 |
| Hailey Bushofsky            | November 15 | Bill Lynn        | November 29 |

### Happy Anniversary in November



Cathy Cushman  
Michael & Gail Tetrick

November 6  
November 21

13 years  
55 years



### This Week's Prayer List

*One of the ways we care for one another in this church is through prayer. We believe that prayer is powerful and can bring comfort, healing, and peace. Today, we pray for the people below.*

\* Juan Gabriel Aleman \* The Alers Family \* Isaac Anako \* Noc Anako \* Anne \* Jim Barnette \* Becky \*  
 \* Viviana Brambila \* Judy Broeder \* Jan Browning & granddaughters Haley and Kia \* Tom Camper \* John Card \*  
 \* Clive Chancey \* Rev. Sandy Chilese \* Claudio \* Colleen Combs \* Jonathan Dombek \* Jean Durrett \*  
 \* Gale & Arthur Farinas \* Cathy Gustin \* Gary Gustin \* April Harris \* Michael Heap \* Helen \* Ruth Jones \* Judith \*  
 \* Gene Lapham \* Terry Lewis \* Domingo Lopez \* Monica Maldonado \* Ernesto Martinez \* Marva Martinez \*  
 \* Wayne Martino & Family \* Christina Mason \* Brenda McCormick \* Mia \* Shawn Mirigian \* Joanne Mola \* Mr. Monata \*  
 \* Bryan Nance \* Marla Karla Pallas \* Don Palm \* Paula, Paula & Steven \* Joanne Porter \* Ramon \* Jill Renner \*  
 \* Bill Richardson \* Rick & Robbie \* Betty Roddy \* Javier Sanchez \* Sharyn \* Socorro Sanchez \* Laura Schwarz \* Sebastian \*  
 \* Charles Jay Smith & Family \* Stella \* Kurt Tetrick \* Anna Van Scoter \* Victoria \* Lynn Viviano-Webb \* Ester Zamora \*

### For those who have died

\* Jim Dunkelbarger \* Peter Houle \* Raul Zamora

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