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THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST:

CHRIST THE KING

NOVEMBER 23, 2025, 9:30 AM

As a courtesy to others, please silence your cell phone.

We ask your prayers for: The families of Diana and Jon Sebaly, Nancy, Pat, Monelu, Sharon, Ken, Candace, Lori, Debi, Nevitt, James, Avery, Pamela, Connie, Linda, Anne, Kim, and Ella.

And for those serving in the Armed Forces and Diplomatic Corps of our Country: David Craddock, John Sampson, Brett Griffin, Zachary Falter, and Isabel Steen Falter.

See list of Birthdays in the weekly email.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer—The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer—St. Margaret's, Dayton; and Regional Disciplinary Board.

The Altar Arrangements are given to the Glory of God.

WE WELCOME LINDA SCHUTT AS OUR GUEST ORGANIST TODAY!

Linda Schutt, originally from Wilmington, North Carolina, has lived in Kettering for 33 years. She has a B.M. in piano performance from University of North Carolina, Wilmington and a M.M. organ performance from East Carolina University, Greenville, N.C. with additional emphasis in piano performance. She was awarded a full scholarship for organ performance at Cincinnati College Conservatory of Music for a Doctor of Musical Arts in 1989 for which she has completed all course work

Linda is a nationally certified teacher with the American College of Musicians/National Guild of Piano Teachers and judges Guild Auditions. She teaches piano in her home with her husband, where she loves gardening.

SERVING TODAY - 11/23/25 - 9:30AM		SERVING NEXT SUN. - 11/30/25 - 9:30AM	
Altar Guild	Cathy Kremmel Cheryl Strine Mary Anna Conley	Altar Guild	Mary Ellen Foster Ellen Walters
Chalice	OPEN	Chalice	OPEN
Crucifer	OPEN	Crucifer	OPEN
Book	OPEN	Book	OPEN
Reader	Mary Beth Coker Charlie Campbell	Reader	Dana Cunningham Laura Walters
Ushers	Charlie Campbell Jeff Baldrige	Ushers	Margaret Sampson Diane Labrie

PRELUDE: THIS IS THE DAY THE LORD HATH MADE

Friedrich Hark

PRAYER REQUESTS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCESSIONAL: HYMN #494

Diademata

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant 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, Hymnal #S278

**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.**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

THE 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 for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 23:1-6

A Reading from Jeremiah

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and

have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE RESPONSE: PSALM 46 (*SUNG BY CHOIR*)

- 1 God is our refuge and strength, *
a very present help in trouble.
- 2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, *
and though the mountains be toppled into the depths of the sea;
- 3 Though its waters rage and foam, *
and though the mountains tremble at its tumult.
- 4 The LORD of hosts is with us; *
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
- 5 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, *
the holy habitation of the Most High.
- 6 God is in the midst of her;
she shall not be overthrown; *
God shall help her at the break of day.
- 7 The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are shaken; *
God has spoken, and the earth shall melt away.
- 8 The LORD of hosts is with us; *
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
- 9 Come now and look upon the works of the LORD, *
what awesome things he has done on earth.
- 10 It is he who makes war to cease in all the world; *
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear,
and burns the shields with fire.

11 "Be still, then, and know that I am God; *
I will be exalted among the nations;
I will be exalted in the earth."

12 The LORD of hosts is with us; *
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

SECOND READING: COLOSSIANS 1:11-20

A Reading from Colossians

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers-- all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All rise as they are able.

GOSPEL PROCESSION: HYMN #382

General Seminary

THE GOSPEL: LUKE 23:33-43

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. The people stood by, watching Jesus on the cross; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine,

and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

Deacon

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

HOMILY

THE REV. JEAN VARGO

SILENT REFLECTION

All stand as they are able.

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is,
seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the
dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE - From the book *"Hear Our Prayer"*

After each petition the people respond with "**Hear Our Prayer**".

All may stand or kneel

CONFESSION OF SIN

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Today's loose plate offering will benefit the Rector's Discretionary Fund which is used for assistance to the poor or other charitable needs consistent with the church's mission.

OFFERTORY MUSIC: LET ALL MORTAL FLESH KEEP SILENCE

arr. Lani Smith

Let all mortal flesh keep silence,
And with fear and trembling stand;
Ponder nothing earthly-minded,
For with blessing in his hand
Christ our God to earth descendeth,
Our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary,
 As of old on earth he stood,
 Lord of lords in human nature,
 In the body and the blood,
 He will give to all the faithful
 His own self for heavenly food.
 At his feet the six-winged seraph;
 Cherubim with watchful eye,
 Veil their faces to his presence,
 As with ceaseless voice they cry,
 “Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Lord most high!”
 Let all mortal flesh keep silence.

The People stand

HYMN #380, vs. 3

Old 100th

**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. Amen.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer B, Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 367

<i>Celebrant</i>	The Lord be with you.
<i>People</i>	And also with you.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Lift up your hearts.
<i>People</i>	We lift them to the Lord.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
<i>People</i>	It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.
 For with your co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, you are one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Being: and we celebrate the one and equal glory of you, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
 Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

All stand or kneel.

SANCTUS, Hymnal #S125

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People **We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. Paul and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

THE LORD'S PRAYER, BCP 364

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD BCP 364

FRACTION ANTHEM: #37 FROM ENRICHING OUR MUSIC 1



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Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance
that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with
thanksgiving.

COMMUNION MUSIC: HYMN #460

Hyfrydol

Please stand or kneel

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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.

BLESSING OF THE PEOPLE

RECESSIONAL: HYMN #544

Duke Street

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE: WE THANK THEE, LORD JESUS CHRIST

Dietrich Buxtehude

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OTHER NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WHY ST. PAUL'S? AN ANSWER FROM NEW MEMBERS

It began in May when Teena and I were visiting parishes throughout Southwestern Ohio....just to get to know other fellow Christians in the area. St. Paul's was warm and friendly, but there was something else. We knew St. Paul's had suffered mightily in the past....but there was a sense of new life, new birth, the past had happened...but it was just that...the past. Everyone we talked to seemed spiritually energized to press on to what God had in store for St. Paul's. And then came Rev Jean.... "Go to church; be the church!" Yes, Interim, but what a spiritual leader! And, of course, the music. We feel God's power and holiness every time that organ crescendo's, and every time that small but mighty choir sings...so are the angels in heaven! You, and now we, are excited to go forth in God's power, might and majesty, and see what He has in store for us. AMEN.

Be Blessed in Christ,

Jeff and Teena Baldrige

MORE THAN ENOUGH is our stewardship theme this year which comes from Luke's version of the feeding of five thousand. Our stewardship campaign is like that ancient story: if each of us contributes what we can, it will provide enough—enough to fund our operations and an abundance more to take care of our neighbors and plan for the future. Did you know you can make your pledge online? Go to <https://vist.ly/4ei37> - Select "Pledge Fund" from the drop-down menu. You can even set up recurring gifts to make it easy to support St. Paul's! In addition, did you know that if you are 70 ½ or older, you can pay your stewardship pledge to St. Paul's directly from your IRA? A Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) allows you to make a gift from your IRA to the church and **avoid paying income tax on the distribution**. And, if you are over 73, the gift also will help satisfy your Required Minimum Distribution. With thanksgiving for all that God has given us, please return your pledge before December 1. Pledges will be blessed at the Eucharist on December 7.

ST. PAUL'S PLEDGE SUNDAY. . . . Pray, Pray about how you will invest in faith for the future, how you will say thank you to God our Father. Pray about how you will wrap others in the love and hope of our Lord. On Sunday, December 7th you will be invited to bring your pledge and your time and talent card forward at Communion and place them in the basket. WE will bless them and pray for God to use it to his glory and for the spread of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Christmas Flowers

Would you like to remember - or give thanks for - a loved one(s) this coming Christmas season? Consider a donation to the Altar Guild Sanctuary Fund for the Christmas poinsettias that will adorn the altar area. (\$40 suggested minimum) The name of the loved one(s) you would like to honor/remember will also be included in the Christmas bulletin. Please respond by **Friday, December 12** in one of several ways:

1. Mail donation and names to be honored/remembered to the church. Put “Christmas Flowers” in the notes.
2. Use the St. Paul’s app or visit stpauls-dayton.org. Click the *Giving* button and complete the form. Remember to select *Flowers-Christmas*. Indicate the name(s) in the Notes section. *First-time users will need to create an account and will have the option to pay the 1.5% fee to maximize their donation to St. Paul’s).*
3. Pick up an envelope in the Narthex and complete. Mail to the office or place in the offering plate.

ADVENT BOOK STUDY - CHRISTMAS: THE SEASON OF LIFE AND LIGHT,
BY EMILY HUNTER MCGOWIN - “O WONDROUS EXCHANGE!”

At the first Christmas, God exchanged the glories of divinity for the vulnerability of human existence. Uniting himself to us in order to unite us to God. Come explore the mysteries of that exchange.

Join Kathleen and Laura Walters in the cloister at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church on Mondays at **5pm, beginning tomorrow night, November 24**, and then on Monday, December 1, 8, 15, and 22nd.

To get a copy of the book, email Lois - Lois@stpauls-dayton.org or stop by the office and pick up a copy. A \$15 donation is recommended.

Canterbury Court is having their annual bake sale. In the past, St. Paul’s members have been very generous donating baking supplies. I’m hoping we can help them out again. Proceeds from the sale go towards activities for the residents. Items can be placed in the box marked for Canterbury Court in the Parish Hall. The last day to donate is Sunday, November 30. Thank you! ~*Nancy Downey*

This year they can use the following supplies.

Sugar
Chocolate Chunks
Vanilla Extract
Butter Crisco
Baking Soda
Baking Powder

Toffee Chips
Vanilla Wafers
Brownie Mix
Butter Cake Mix
Brown Sugar
Canned Peaches

CRAZY CHRISTIANS BY MICHAEL CURRY - This is a book I invite all to read this season of Advent. In it Bishop Curry empowers us to live and to love like Jesus. Bishop Curry says it may be considered crazy to the world, but it is being the church. I will hold Holy Conversations in January. This book will be the basis for part of the transition process. Books are available in the office for \$10. ~ *Rev. Jean*

Socks for Tots - Please consider donating Socks for Tots, for the homeless preschool children at St. Vincent de Paul's homeless shelter. They are ages 2 - 6 years old. With the colder temperatures coming these socks will warm small feet. There is a Socks for Tots box in the Narthex. Thank you!

Name Badges - The name badges have been updated to the best of our knowledge. Please let Pat Harbert know if you would like to have one or need one updated by writing your name (legibly please) on a piece of paper and giving it to Pat or an usher, or email Pat at nanahph@gmail.com. We also need to know if you want your badge to be magnetic or hanging on a lanyard. It will be so nice to put a name to a face.

Food Bank Donations - Your Efforts Make a Difference! Please continue to fill yellow donation bags with food (no glass jars please) and personal care items and bring them to church to be blessed and delivered to the Food Bank. If you'd like to see the difference being made (it is astounding!), please go to the Food Bank's website: thefoodbankdayton.org.

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WELCOME!

We're glad you're here today! Your presence with us is a blessing. We invite you to participate in worship, say the prayers, sing the songs, and introduce yourself. You'll find a visitor card in the pew back in front of you. We're so excited to meet you.

WORSHIP TIMES

9:30 am - Worship Service with Hymns

Office hours: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Monday – Thursday

9:00 am - 12:00 pm on Friday

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ST. PAUL'S VESTRY

Class of 2026 - Linda Bumiller, Charlie Campbell, Steve Ireland

Class of 2027 - Cheryl Strine, Kathleen Walters

Class of 2028 - Chris Brandt, Jill Davis

Senior Warden (*term expires 2026*)- Paul Sampson

Junior Warden (*term expires 2026*)- Joe Cairo

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