Mobile, Alabama

The Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

November 8, 2026

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Ten o'clock in the morning

We invite you to participate in the worship of God. Our service is the Holy Eucharist: Rite Two in The Book of Common Prayer. *For ease of use, this booklet contains the congregational portions of the liturgy and service music. Congregational responses are printed in bold. Hymn numbers refer to* The Hymnal 1982. *Page numbers refer to the Prayer Book for those wishing to use it. Lesson and Gospel texts are taken from the* New Revised Standard Version *of the* Bible. *Unless requested, applause isn't necessary; please give quiet thanks to God for the elements of worship that are meaningful for you.*

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We extend a warm welcome to all visitors. Please complete a visitor card and place it in the alms basin so that we can knowyou better. A nursery is available. A gentle reminder: please turn off all electronic devices before the service. Sound enhancement receivers for the hearing impaired are available. Please see an usher.

Prelude

Who at my door is standing — K. Lee Scott (b. 1950)

Cathedral Choir

Who at my door is standing, there patiently drawing near,
Who entrance is demanding? Whose is the voice I hear?
Sweetly the tones are falling, now open the door for me.
If thou wilt heed my calling, I will abide with thee.

Within the rooms are darkened, all filled with dust and sin;
How shameful, how unworthy for Christ to enter in.
Yet, the tones are falling, now open the door for me.
If thou wilt heed my calling, I will abide with thee.

Door of my heart, I hasten. Thee will I open wide.
Though he rebuke and chasten, He shall with me abide.
Sweetly the tones are falling, now open the door for me.
Lord God, I hear thee calling, come now, abide with me.
Dear Lord, abide with me.

Welcome

Children's Formation

(Ages 4 to Grade 7) Children process with their leader and return at the peace.

Processional Hymn

Cwm Rhondda

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah — Hymnal 690

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy powerful hand;
bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
feed me now and evermore, feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through;
strong deliverer, strong deliverer,
be thou still my strength and shield, be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side;
songs of praises, songs of praises, I will ever give to thee, I will ever give to thee.

The Word of God

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

Collect for Purity BCP 355

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**.

Song of Praise: Canticle 20 *Powell*

Glory to God Hymnal S-280

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.

The Collect of the Day BCP 236

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

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 Lessons

First Reading: ***Wisdom 6:12-16***

Reader: A Reading from the Wisdom of Solomon.

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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 96:1–9 *Deus, in adjutorium* *Please read responsively by whole verse.* BCP 682

1 Be pleased, O God, to deliver me; *
O Lord, make haste to help me.

2 **Let those who seek my life be ashamed**
and altogether dismayed; *
let those who take pleasure in my misfortune
draw back and be disgraced.

3 Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me turn back, *
because they are ashamed.
4 **Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; ***
let those who love your salvation say for ever,
"Great is the Lord!"
5 But as for me, I am poor and needy; *
come to me speedily, O God.
6 **You are my helper and my deliverer; ***
O Lord, do not tarry.

Second Reading: ***1 Thessalonians 4:13-18***

Reader: A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

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.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn *Maoz Zur*

Praise our great and gracious Lord Hymn 393

Praise our great and gracious Lord, call upon his holy Name;
raising hymns in glad accord, all his mighty acts proclaim:
how he leads his chosen unto Canaan's promised land,
how the word we have heard firm and changeless still shall stand.

God has given the cloud by day, given the moving fire by night;
guides his Israel on their way from the darkness into light.
God it is who grants us sure retreat and refuge nigh;
light of dawn leads us on: 'tis the Day-spring from on high.

The Holy Gospel: ***Matthew 25:1-13***

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

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

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."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

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.

The Prayers of the People

The leader and people pray responsively.

Presider: Gracious One, you have made us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Make known to us your radiant and unfading wisdom, that we may participate in your work of reconciling love, as we pray: Fix our thoughts on your wisdom, which is perfect understanding.

Intercessor: Guard your Church, O Holy One, and let Wisdom appear to us in our paths to meet us in every thought.

Fix our thoughts on your wisdom

which is perfect understanding.

Guide the leaders of our nation and those who exercise authority throughout the world to plan with wise foresight; grant them wisdom to seize the moment of decision and to act in accordance with your will. We give thanks today for the heroic service of all veterans of the United States Armed Forces. O Judge of the nations, we remember before you with grateful hearts the men and women of our country who in the day of decision ventured much for the liberties we now enjoy. Grant that we may not rest until all the people of this land share the benefits of true freedom and gladly accept its disciplines.

Fix our thoughts on your wisdom

which is perfect understanding.

Come speedily to aid the poor and needy and bring them the comfort of your divine compassion.

Fix our thoughts on your wisdom

which is perfect understanding.

Give us wisdom in this community to be faithful stewards of your gifts, that we may not consume the resources you have given us, but preserve them for ourselves for generation to come.

Fix our thoughts on your wisdom

which is perfect understanding.

Liberate from their cares and anxieties those for whom we pray in intercession. Deepen our appreciation for the life and enlightenment that you bestow upon us. We believe that Jesus died and rose again. May we grieve with profound hope for those who have died.

Fix our thoughts on your wisdom

which is perfect understanding.

Presider: Deepen our desire for instruction, O God, that we may love Wisdom and follow in your way, through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

BCP 360

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.**

Welcome and Announcements

Stewardship 2027: God's Plenty—John and Francie Ruzic

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

Let all Mortal Flesh Keep Silence — Gustav Holst (1874-1934)

Cathedral Choir

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 vesture, in the Body and the Blood
he will give to all the faithful, his own self for heavenly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads its vanguard on the way,
as the Light of Light descendeth from the realms of endless day,
that the powers of hell may vanish as the darkness clears away.

At his feet the six-winged seraph; cherubim with sleepless eye,
veil their faces to the Presence, as with ceaseless voice they cry,
"Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, Lord most High." Amen.

At the Presentation

Old 100th vs. 3 Hymnal 380

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.

America vs. 4 Hymnal 717

Our father's God, to thee, author of liberty, to thee we sing; long may our land
be bright with freedom's holy light; protect us by thy might, great God, our King.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A BCP 361

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

The Celebrant continues: 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 you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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:

Sanctus

Hymnal S-125

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.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People: **Christ has died.**
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.

Fraction Anthem

Christ our Passover Hymnal S-155

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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.

Music at Communion

Hymn

Llangloffan

Rejoice! Rejoice, believers Hymnal 68

Rejoice! rejoice, believers, and let your lights appear!
The evening is advancing, and darker night is near.
The Bridegroom is arising, and soon he will draw nigh;
up, watch in expectation! at midnight comes the cry.

See that your lamps are burning, replenish them with oil;
look now for your salvation, the end of sin and toil.
The marriage-feast is waiting, the gates wide open stand;
rise up, ye heirs of glory, the Bridegroom is at hand!

Our hope and expectation, O Jesus, now appear;
arise, thou Sun so longed for, above this darkened sphere!
With hearts and hands uplifted, we plead, O Lord, to see
the day of earth's redemption, and ever be with thee!

Post Communion Prayer

BCP 365

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

Closing Hymn

Truro

Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates vv. 1, 2, 3, 5 Hymnal 436

Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates; behold the King of glory waits!
The King of kings is drawing near; the Savior of the world is here.

O blest the land, the city blest, where Christ the ruler is confessed!
O happy hearts and happy homes to whom this King of triumph comes!

Fling wide the portals of your heart; make it a temple, set apart
from earthly use for heaven's employ, adorned with prayer and love and joy.

So come, my Sovereign; enter in! Let new and nobler life begin;
thy Holy Spirit guide us on, until the glorious crown be won.

Dismissal

Deacon: Let us bless the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God**.

Postlude

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Please join us after the service for a time of hospitality in the servery.

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Cathedral Prayers

We pray for:

Members:

Patti Biel, Valrie Vanek, Lynn Betbeze Yankie, George Seymour, Patsy Seymour, Lisa Williams, Linda Dann-LeBlanc, Bill Butler, Betty Reniewicz, Emily-Marie Butler, Ray Adams, Judy Henson, Leighton DuBose, Joan Rockstad, Chuck McKay

Friends & Family:

The Reverend Dennis Brown, The Reverend Mike Schwarte, Mary Rose Snider, George & Mary Ester Hall Bollis, Elizabeth Berry, Karla Geiger, Lloyd Shearer Smith, Kathy Thurber, David Barnett, John Baylor, Sr., Erma Clark, Dorothy Queenan, Kelly Clark, Lanier Faircloth, Vivian "Cookie" Rich, Hunter Hale, James Bloodworth, Dennis Knizley, Malcolm Warren, Bennett Stenger, Molly Nordmann, Maxine Dodson, Jim Cummings, Emily Duhe, James Wilkerson, Fred Bennett, Christopher Lynch, Lowie Rice, Lainey Owens, Katherine Metts, Beau Metts, Charles Carlisle, Kim Billings, the Delaney family, Sugar Immel, Sharon McDonough, Tom Lewis, Ronnie Johnson, Cora Jacobs, Carlos Rezkalah, Paul Hawkins, Nancy Brock

For Those Serving in the Military:

Marlin Brutkiewicz, Blake Hickey, Gray Stephens, Dylan Butler, Tripp Bennett, Jacob Hester-Heard, Cameron Morrisette, Dylan Thompson, Connor Roy, Charles Lewis, Richard Graham, Miriam King

Repose of Souls: Thomas Hinds, Sally McPhillips

Flowers:

The Flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of all those who paid the ultimate price in service to their country, and in thanksgiving for all veterans, and for those in active service. We give thanks today for the heroic service of all veterans of the United States Armed Forces. O Judge of the nations, we remember before you with grateful hearts the men and women of our country who in the day of decision ventured much for the liberties we now enjoy. Grant that we may not rest until all the people of this land share the benefits of true freedom and gladly accept its disciplines.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church in The Congo

Cathedral Cycle of Prayer: St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Mobile

Ecumenical Cycle of Prayer:

We pray for the church in Canada, the United States of America; Dauphin Way Baptist Church, Mobile.

Prison Ministry Cycle of Prayer:

Mobile County Metro Jail, Mobile, PASCO Home, Re-entry, Mobile

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God's Plenty:
Annual Giving 2027



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God's Plenty: Annual Giving 2027

And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. *2 Corinthians 9:8*

This promise of abundance and welcome lies at the heart of our stewardship,
in which we acknowledge God's gracious gifts of plenty to us.
All through the year, we hear God's Word calling us to share our resources and nurture our relationships.
It will soon be time for your response. Stewardship is our faithful reply to God's generosity.
Make your faithful reply by becoming a pledging member of the Cathedral Family in 2027.

Our stewardship campaign this year invites us to recognize the abundance God has already entrusted to us. Even in uncertain times we are called to trust that there is enough: enough for our families, enough for our church, enough for our neighbors. As you pray about the resources God has placed in your care, please consider how you might share them joyfully in the year ahead.

Our Leadership

We give thanks for Francie and John Ruzic, our campaign chairs who will share the message that being good stewards of our time, talents, and treasure is a year-long venture. If you miss their talk in church, we will post their message in the weekly emails and on the annual giving page of our website.

Stewardship Ingathering 2027

Pledge cards will be mailed on November 16. They will also be placed in the chairs for Sunday morning worship, or you may pledge electronically using the link we will send in an email and that you may find on the Annual Giving page of our website. Please return your completed pledge cards by Sunday, December 6.

Annual Parish Meeting
and Stewardship Ingathering
Sunday, December 6

Return your pledge cards by placing them in the alms basin. After worship we will hold a short parish meeting with Vestry elections, then we will gather celebrate God's plenty with a Cathedral Family celebration.

Cathedral Notes

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Children & Family Communion Conversations

This Sunday, November 8, and next Sunday, November 15, in the Chapel

Our clergy will prepare our children to take their first communion—all ages are invited. Each Sunday our priests invite everyone to participate in the Eucharist. In this class the clergy will discuss the objects used and the words spoken during the Eucharist. There will be a booklet for each child that has both pictures and the language used during the service. Begin conversations with your child about this event, their thoughts on Eucharist, and bring any questions they may have. If you have any questions, please contact Sabrina Evans.

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Wilmer Hall's Fifth Annual Movie Night

Sunday, November 8 at 5:30 p.m. at Wilmer Hall, 3811 Old Shell Road

Join us on the front lawn with your blankets, chairs, drinks, and snacks, and get cozy for a night at the movies under the stars! Tickets are $10 per person or $40 MAX per family and are available for advance purchase on the Wilmer Hall website.

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Morning Circle

Monday, November 9, at 10:30 a.m.

The group will meet at the home of Nancy Bryan. For more information please contact Nancy Bryan or Mary Cook.

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Parish Meeting and Return-to-the Church Celebration

Sunday, December 6, will be an eventful day, as it will be our official return to the church following five months of exile in the Chapter House during termite and water damage repairs. That will also be the day of our annual parish meeting for the purpose of vestry and convention delegate elections. And, most significantly, this will be our day of celebration with fried oysters and libations. *All of you* will want to be present. And we very much want to see you there!

We give thanks for those nominated for the Vestry Class of 2029: Sydney Dann Betbeze, Teresa (Terri) Davis Gaal, William (Will) Jordan Gamble, Jubal Lee Hamil, George Bullock Inge, Stacy Elizabeth Wellborn. Short bios of each of the nominees can be found on the weekly email. And we give thanks for those nominated to serve as delegates to the 2027 Diocesan Convention: Jill Chow, Harwell Coale, Jubal Hamil, Carolyn Jeffers, Henry Seawell, and Weathers Bolt (*alternate*).

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Children's Christmas Pagaent

Save the date for Sunday, December 13 at 9:30 a.m.

Our children in Catechesis of the Good Shepherd are practicing their songs each Sunday morning. More details are in the weekly email and on our website.

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Birthdays

November 8
Douglas Kearley
Bill Butler

November 9
Kori Drew

November 10
Tom Garth
Hayley Garth
Johnny Gwin

November 11
Addie Irby

November 21
Wythe Whiting
Chris Ashcraft

November 13
Chambliss Brister

November 15
Bert Eichold

November 16
Lawrence Wall

November 17
Angela Ashcraft
Findley Reeves

November 19
Jack White

November 20
Mary Cook

November 21
Richie Sherer
Charlie Weeks

November 22
Mary Dann Betbeze
Maria Napier

November 23
Ken McElhaney

November 25
Frances Fuller
Betsy McCafferty

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Ministers for Today

Celebrant and Preacher ..... The Very Reverend Beverly F. Gibson
Chalice Bearers ..... Mark Weeks, Leigh Taylor
Psalmist & Intercessor ..... Ginny Behlen
Lay Readers ..... Tony Brown, Lyn Bennett
Crucifer ..... Kennedy Simmons, Frances Van Antwerp
Organist ..... Josh Coble
Lead Catechist ..... Sabrina Evans
Flower Guild ..... Sage Bolt, Lucy Brady, Anne Blake Brooks
Open/Close ..... Bruce Rockstad
Vestry Greeter ..... Susan Leach
Ushers ..... Mark Weeks, Chris Hume, Bill Skinner
Altar Guild ..... Barbara Archer, Skip Archer, Linda Grill, Ginny Behlen,
..... Leslie Ladd, Rosemarie McClure, Lucy Harrison, Bill Haffner
Hospitality ..... Barbara Mitchell, Jill Chow, Allison Gamble, Cammie Israel,
..... Betsy McCafferty, Kristyn Seawell, Margaret Andres

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