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The Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost
November 12, 2023
8:00 AM

The Rt. Rev. Santosh Marray, Bishop of Easton
The Rev. Frank Crumbaugh, Interim Rector
Dr. Gary Van Essen, Minister of Music
Jane Ford, Family Ministry Coordinator
Brenda Faulkner, Parish Administrator

The Holy Eucharist: Rite One The Word of God

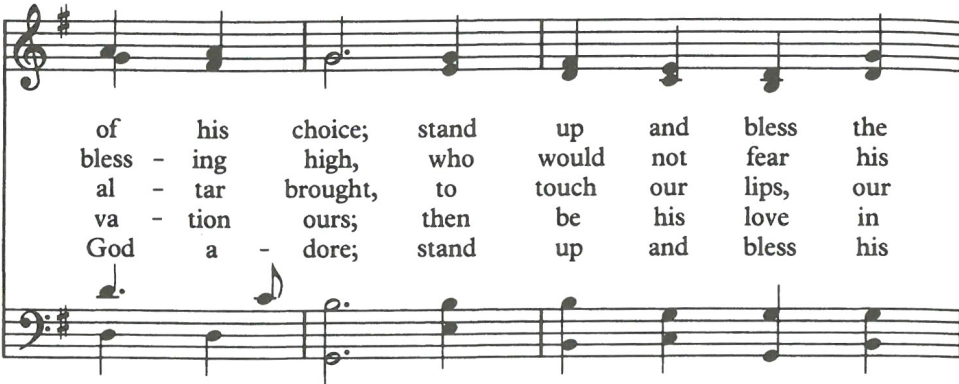
Prelude	“America, the Beautiful”	-arr. Krug
Welcome		The Rev. Frank Crumbaugh
+Processional Hymn	Stand Up and Bless the Lord	
	sts. 1, 4 & 5	
+Opening Sentences		BCP pg 323
*The Summary of the Law		BCP pg 324
*The Collect of the Day		Insert
The First Lesson and Psalm		Insert
The Epistle		Insert
+The Gospel		Insert
The Homily		The Rev. Frank Crumbaugh
+The Nicene Creed		BCP pg 326
*The Prayers of the People		BCP pg 328
*Confession		BCP pg 331
*Absolution		BCP pg 332
+The Peace		

The Holy Communion

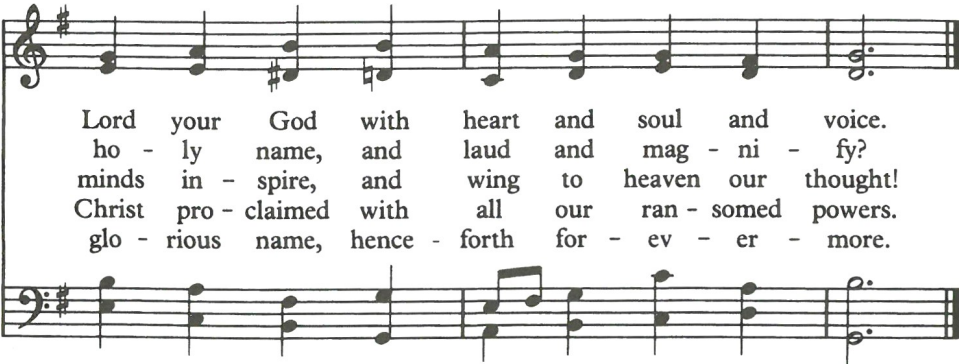
The Offertory		
+The Great Thanksgiving	Eucharistic Prayer II	BCP pg 340
*The Lord’s Prayer		BCP pg 336
*Breaking of the Bread		BCP pg 337
Communion		
*Post-Communion Prayer		BCP pg 339
*Blessing		
Announcements		
+Recessional Hymn	Rejoice, the Lord is King!	Hymnal #481
	sts. 1, 2, 4	
+Dismissal		
+Postlude	“Postlude in Early American Style”	—L. Smith



1. Stand up and bless the Lord, ye peo - ple
 2. Though high a - bove all praise, a - bove all
 3. O for the liv - ing flame from his own
 4. God is our strength and song, and his sal -
 5. Stand up and bless the Lord; the Lord your



of his choice; stand up and bless the
 bless - ing high, who would not fear his
 al - tar brought, to touch our lips, our
 va - tion ours; then be his love in
 God a - dore; stand up and bless his



Lord your God with heart and soul and voice.
 ho - ly name, and laud and mag - ni - fy?
 minds in - spire, and wing to heaven our thought!
 Christ pro - claimed with all our ran - somed powers.
 glo - rious name, hence - forth for - ev - er - more.

WORDS: James Montgomery (Neh. 9:5)
 MUSIC: *Genevan Psalter*, 1551; adapt. by William Crotch, 1836

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Welcome Father Frank

This morning, The Rev'd Frank B. Crumbaugh III begins his ministry as our Interim Rector. He is known to many here at Christ Church from his supply work in the parish in past years.

Fr. Frank is a native of Memphis, Tennessee. He was educated at Centre College, and The General Theological Seminary of The Episcopal Church. He also has studied at The College of Preachers at Washington National Cathedral, and the WoodenBoat School in Brooklin, Maine.



Prior to ordination, Fr. Crumbaugh served as a police officer in Memphis, and as Assistant Headmaster of The Carrollton School in New Orleans. He spent more than 30 years in parish ministry, serving in the dioceses of Newark, Missouri and New Jersey. He retired in 2018 after more than 20 years as Rector of The Episcopal Church of The Holy Innocents in Beach Haven, on Long Beach Island, New Jersey.

Fr. Frank is a life-long hunter and fisherman, and especially enjoys hunting waterfowl and deer. He spends a hour each day writing, and enjoys building furniture and wooden boats.

He is married to The Rev'd Gretchen D. Zimmerman; they have three children and five grandchildren.

Serving 8am

Eucharistic Ministers: Patti Snyder

Lectors: Betsy Sipes, Lois Vanderbok

Ushers: Lois Vanderbok, Maria Jones

Altar Guild: Lynne Shand, Betsy Sipes, Patti Snyder

Counters: Judy Peppel, Liza Hamill

The 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

Wisdom 6:12–16

A Reading from the Book of Wisdom

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**

The Psalm

Psalm 70

Read responsively by verse.

- 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.**

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**

+The Holy Gospel

Matthew 25:1-13

Please stand and face the Celebrant

Celebrant 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 be to thee, Lord Christ**