CHRIST CHURCH CHRISTIANA HUNDRED

WELCOME!

Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, we are glad you are with us today to join in the worship of God and to share in Christ's presence given to us in the sacrament of bread and wine. You are welcome here.

THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST NOVEMBER 12, 2017 8:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I

Please stand, as able, for **The Opening Acclamation**

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Gloria in excelsis

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Amos 5:18-24

Collect of the Day

O God, whose blessed Son was manifested that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant us, we beseech thee, that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that, when he shall appear again with power and great glory, we may be made like unto him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where with thee, O Father, and thee, O Holy Ghost, he liveth and reigneth ever, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Please be seated for

The First Reading

Alas for you who desire the day of the Lord! Why do you want the day of the Lord? It is darkness, not light; as if someone fled from a lion, and was met by a bear; or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall, and was bitten by a snake. Is not the day of the Lord darkness, not light, and gloom with no brightness in it? I hate, I despise your festivals, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them; and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals I will not look upon. Take away from me the noise of your songs; I will not listen to the melody of your harps. But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

At the conclusion the People respond, "Thanks be to God."

All then recite

Psalm 78:1-7 Attendite, popule

Hear my teaching, O my people; incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

I will open my mouth in a parable; I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.

That which we have heard and known, and what our forefathers have told us, we will not hide from their children.

We will recount to generations to come the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the Lord,

and the wonderful works he has done.

He gave his decrees to Jacob and established a law for Israel, which he commanded them to teach their children; That the generations to come might know, and the children yet unborn;

that they in their turn might tell it to their children;

So that they might put their trust in God, and not forget the deeds of God, but keep his commandments.

The Gospel Reading

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

People Glory be to thee, O Lord.

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."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Please be seated for

The Homily "Training Days: The Darkness Will Come"

Please stand for

The Nicene Creed

The Prayers of the People

The Intercessor bids an opening petition, praying for the concerns of the world and the intentions of the church, concluding with

Intercessor	O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;	
People	And grant us thy salvation.	
Intercessor	Endue thy ministers with righteousness;	
People	And make thy chosen people joyful.	
Intercessor	Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;	
People	For only in thee can we live in safety.	
Intercessor	Lord, keep this nation under thy care;	
People	And guide us in the way of justice and truth.	
Intercessor	Let thy way be known upon earth;	
People	Thy saving health among all nations.	
Intercessor	Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;	
People	Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.	
Intercessor	Create in us clean hearts, O God;	
People	And sustain us with thy Holy Spirit.	

Confession and Absolution

Stephen Setzer

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The Offertory

Being seated, we begin with a time of offering, giving money as a sign that our life serves God's purposes and showing our gratitude for God's many blessings. For those who give online, a card is available in the narthex to participate in the act of offering. Newcomers and guests may place the welcome card in the offering plate.

Please stand for The Presentation of Gifts

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Priest	All things come of thee, O Lord,		
People	and of thine own have we given thee.		
The Great Thanksgiving, Prayer II		BCP 340	
The Lord's	Prayer	336	

Breaking of the Bread

Communion of the Faithful

All are welcome to receive the sacrament of Christ, kneeling or standing, either consuming the bread and drinking from the cup or dipping (intincting) the bread carefully into the cup. Gluten-free host are available; let the clergy know your need when they approach you at the rail. If you are unable to come forward, ask an usher to let the clergy know.

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Please stand or kneel for	
The Post-Communion Prayer	BCP 339

The Blessing

Announcements and Dismissal

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

We are sent forth to be Christ's blessing in the world. Our prayer is that today's worship has encouraged you in love, strengthened you for service, and filled you with joy. We look forward to your presence again in worship, in service to others, in learning and fellowship. Please take our community announcements with you to learn of upcoming opportunities.

PEOPLE SERVING TODAY

Acolytes: 8 AM Anna Erskine. 9 AM Rand Barton, Landon Reese, Henry Barton, Kathryn Cover, Penn Faulkner, Wil Faulkner, Elliot Reese; Ran Barton, Advisor. 11 AM Galen Kelly, Spencer Kelly. Altar Guild: Sue Brandes, Bobbie Larned, Paula Murphy, Carol Osbun, Gina Pike, Becky Rogers, Vida Ruppe, Greer Silliman. Coffee Hour: John and Martha Henley. Eucharistic Ministers: 8 AM Ernie Ruppe, Cathy Welsh. 9 AM Alex Ergon, Chris Grundner, Susan Sherk, Al Smith. Greeters: 11 AM Sue Lunger, Barbara Selby. Lectors: 11 AM Fran Bayard, David Hoopes. Ushers: 9 AM Ran, Louise, and Kate Barton, Tom and Lynne Swartz. 11 AM Rod Maroney, Kim Fortunato, Stan Lowicki, Troy Silliman.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of David and Wilhelmina Laird Craven Geoffrey and Ann Nields Garstin John P. and Mary Craven Nields

> and in loving memory of J. Richard Tucker

Our parish's mission: As followers of Christ, we share the beauty and power of God's transforming love through worship, community, and service in the world.

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