

Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit

1305 Thomas Dr. Bellevue, NE 68005



October 25, 2026

9:30 am

22nd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Rite II

with Healing Rites

WELCOME EVERYONE!

If you are a guest today or are a member who has been away for a while, we are glad you joined us for worship today! Please let us know if you are joining us online by leaving a comment, or by emailing us so that we can say welcome and thank you.

Blessings! *Mother Margaret+*

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Church Office Hours are Monday-Thursday, 9:00am-2:00pm.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

OPENING HYMN

“O God, our help in ages past”

Hymnal 680

¹ O God, our help in ages past, our
hope for years to come, our shelter
from the stormy blast, and our eternal
home:

² under the shadow of thy throne thy
saints have dwelt secure; sufficient is
thine arm alone, and our defense is sure.

³ Before the hills in order stood, or earth
received her frame, from everlasting
thou art God, to endless years the same.

⁴ A thousand ages in thy sight are like an
evening gone; short as the watch that
ends the night before the rising sun.

⁵ Time, like an ever-rolling stream, bears
all our years away; they fly, forgotten, as
a dream dies at the opening day.

⁶ O God, our help in ages past, our hope
for years to come, be thou our guide
while life shall last, and our eternal
home.

WELCOME

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. *Amen.***

All:

**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.***

**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

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST LESSON – Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-28

The Lord spoke to Moses, saying:

Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy.

You shall not render an unjust judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbor. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbor: I am the Lord.

You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbor, or you will incur guilt yourself. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the Lord.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 1

¹ Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked,*
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

² Their delight is in the law of the Lord,*
and they meditate on his law day and night.

³ They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither;*
everything they do shall prosper.

⁴ It is not so with the wicked;*
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

⁵ Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes,*
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

⁶ For the Lord knows the way of the righteous,*
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

THE EPISTLE – 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

Reader: A Reading from the first letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So

deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN

“O spirit of the living God”

Hymnal 531

¹ O Spirit of the living God, in all thy plenitude of grace, where'er the foot of man hath trod, descend on our apostate race.

³ Be darkness, at thy coming, light; confusion, order in thy path; souls without strength inspire with might, bid mercy triumph over wrath.

² Give tongues of fire and hearts of love, to preach the reconciling word; give power and unction from above, whene'er the joyful sound is heard.

⁴ Convert the nations! far and nigh the triumph of the cross record; the Name of Jesus glorify, till every people call him Lord.

THE GOSPEL - Matthew 22:34-46

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

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

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. “Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?” He said to him, “‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.”

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: “What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?” They said to him, “The son of David.” He said to them, “How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

“The Lord said to my Lord,

“Sit at my right hand,

until I put your enemies under your feet”?”

If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?” No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

MESSAGE

*“You **Shall** be Holy”*

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THE NICENE CREED

Celebrant: Please stand as we affirm our faith in the words of 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.*

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *(Form I)*

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying

"Lord, have mercy."

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the
unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

We pray for **Sarah**, the Archbishop of Canterbury; **Sean**, our Presiding Bishop; **Scott**,
our Bishop; **Margaret**, our Rector; and **Terri**, our Deacon, and for all the clergy and
people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

In the Anglican cycle of prayer, pray for _____. In the Diocesan cycle of
prayer, pray for _____. In the DR cycle of prayer, pray for _____. And
in the Parish cycle of prayer, pray for _____, for this gathering, and for all
ministers and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

We pray for our President, **Donald Trump**; our Governor, **Jim Pillen**; and for all in
authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this city for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray
to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air: _____ Are there others? Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

We ask you to watch over all the members of our armed forces, those who are deployed: _____. Are there others? Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For your continued blessings on those celebrating birthdays this week: _____, Are there others? And those celebrating anniversaries: _____ Are there others? Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering: _____ Are there others? Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those with special concerns: _____. Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed: _____. Are there others? Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

Celebrant:

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. ***Amen.***

CONFESSION OF SIN

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

Celebrant 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

Almighty God, whose will it is to hold heaven and earth in the peace of your kingdom, give peace to your church, peace among nations, peace in our homes, and peace in our hearts. All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS, BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Celebrant: Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High. ***Amen.***

OFFERTORY SOLO

Sax Solo

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise him all creatures here below. Praise him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. *Amen.*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer B

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.**

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.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

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:

Celebrant and People:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant: 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;

Celebrant: 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, 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 Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant and People:

**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, the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. *Amen.***

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. 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.

ONLINE COMMUNION BLESSING

Celebrant and Deacon: We pray that those online will receive a Spiritual Communion of the Body and Blood of Christ. ***Amen.***

COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN

"The Old Rugged Cross"

C12

¹ On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,
the emblem of suffering and shame;
and I love that old cross where the
dearest and best
for a world of lost sinners was slain.

(Refrain)

So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,

**till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross,
and exchange it some day for a
crown.**

² Oh, that old rugged cross, so despised
by the world,
has a wondrous attraction for me;
for the dear Lamb of God left His glory

above
to bear it to dark Calvary.

(Refrain)

³In the old rugged cross, stained with
blood so divine,
A wondrous beauty I see;
for 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered
and died,
to pardon and sanctify me.

(Refrain)

⁴To the old rugged cross I will ever be
true,
its shame and reproach gladly bear;
then He'll call me some day to my home
far away,
where His glory forever I'll share.

(Refrain)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant and People:

Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Celebrant: The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be
upon you and remain with you forever. **Amen.**

¹ Come with us, O blessed Jesus, with us
evermore to be; and though leaving now
thine altar, let us nevermore leave thee.
Be thou with us for ever, in our life thy
love divine, our own flesh and blood
has taken and to us thou givest thine.

² Come with us, O mighty Savior, God
from God, and Light from Light; thou
art God, thy glory veiling, so that we
may bear the sight. Now we go to seek

and serve thee, through our work as
through our prayer; grant us light to see
and know thee, in thy people
everywhere.

3 Come with us, O King of glory, by
angelic voices praised; in our hearts as in
thy heaven, be enraptured anthems
raised. Let the mighty chorus ever sing
its glad exultant songs; let its hymn be
heard forever, peace for which creation
longs.

DISMISSAL

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Birthday Prayer: O God, our times are in your hands: Look with favor, we pray, on *this* your servant, as *they* begin another year. Grant that *they* may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen *their* trust in your goodness, all the days of *their* life through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Anniversary Prayer: O gracious and ever living God, look mercifully on these who have been joined together. Grant them your blessing, and assist them with your grace, that with fidelity and steadfast love they may honor and keep their promises and vows; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

Birthdays:

Jim B.
Kaleb W.
Walt D.
Ronald S.

Gary W.
Jennifer W.
Nancy B.
Nick V.

Anniversaries:



The Nave Presence Candle is given by Charlotte Austin.

The Chapel Presence Candle is given by Brian & Jennifer Wilson for family and October birthdays.

WEEKLY MINISTRY TEAMS				
		October 25th	November 1st	November 8th
VPOD		Kristi S.	Vince C.	Ken G.
Hospitality		Team 2	Team 3	Team 4
Altar Guild		Team 4	Team 1	Team 2
Spirit Hub		Sunday School/Vocal Choir (Cindy P./Ali C.)	Daughters of the King (Judy D.)	Women of Spirit (Jean C./Karen G.)
Altar Bread		Jan S.	Ryan M.	Ryan M.
LEMs	5:00pm	Charlotte A.	Kathy B./Toby W.	Kristi S.
	8:00am	Cindy P.	N/A	Doug A.
	9:30am	Michele H./Margie C.	N/A	Emily W./Jen W.
LEV		Team 3	Team 1	Team 2
Recycle		Karen G.	Jan S.	Marcia A.
Acolytes 9:30am	C T T All Saints	Olivia H. Vincent C. Mya H.	Kyper M. Ailynn M. Mackenzie C. Olivia H./Amanda N.	Isaiah H. Evelynn C. Vincent C.

CHS VESTRY 2026	
Judy Darrell – <i>Sr. Warden</i> Ken Gomeringer – <i>Jr. Warden</i>	<u>MEMBERS</u>
	Josh Cain Vince Cummings Brian Caskie Rick Horejs Margie Crawford Kristi Smith

THIS WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS & UPCOMING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today is Healing Sunday.

If you wish to receive Healing Rites, please go to the area in front of the Baptismal font after you receive communion. Please go to Mother Margaret if you have questions.

Outside Clean-Up: Our fall clean-up is Oct 31st from 9am to 12pm. Come out and help clean up outside so we're ready once winter hits! Many hands make light work.

All Saints Remembrances: Please confirm the names that we have listed to be read during the Feast of All Saints services on the weekend of Oct. 31st/Nov. 1st. The existing list will be at the Spirit Hub this weekend, and you can add names by filling out one of the purple cards inside your bulletins. You can also email or call the office to confirm or to add any names.

Yearly Pledge Cards: If you wish to donate to the Church throughout 2027, please fill out the pledge cards at the Spirit Hub and leave them on Sam's desk, or go to www.chseiscopal.org and

click on “Make a Pledge” in the top right corner.

Moving Veterans Forward: Throughout October, we will be accepting financial donations for CHS's annual collection we give to MVF. When Nebraska and Iowa homeless veterans are placed in housing by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, MVF is the organization that assists them. We will be fundraising to purchase vacuums, crock pots, and dinner plates. They also accept donations of any small sized furniture in good condition. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Baxter, who is the CHS Ministry Leader and the Essentials Purchaser for this outreach.

Bellevue Together Coat Drive: Bellevue Together is sponsoring a children’s winter coat drive on October 29th & 30th, and they need help with organizing, sorting, etc. We have an opportunity to do a couple hours of “sitting work” on Monday, October 26th, at 1pm to help them prepare for the distribution. If you would like to help, please contact Jan Sinram.

Composting Comes to Social Hour: During our social hour, we're taking advantage of our church's access to commercial composting as a Hillside Solutions Compost Host. Use the clearly marked compost container set out during social hour for **all food scraps, napkins, coffee grounds, and non-cardboard paper**. We'll also have an orange bag available for plastics such as **straws, food packaging, creamer containers, plastic bags, and plastic wrap**. Thank you for helping us reduce landfill waste and care for God's creation!

College Boxes: The Daughters of the King will be sending out the fall college boxes the first week of November. If you have a college student and would like for them to receive a college box, please submit their name and address to Karen Gray at dynamoquail@msn.com before November 1st.

NEW CHS DIRECTORY PHOTOS

The photos for the new 2027 Directory will all be taken here at CHS. Please sign up for an appointment time at the Spirit Hub. Photos will be taken on Saturdays on Nov. 7th, & 14th between 3:30-5pm and on Sundays on Nov 1st, 8th, & 15th between 11am-12:30pm. Bonus:
You will receive your own online copy!