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The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd

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A Mission in the Episcopal Diocese of New Jersey.

Where Love Abounds and Hope is Found!

Our Vision: *To be a faithful and growing Church that connects people to Jesus Christ.*

Our Mission: *To know Christ more fully,
To love and serve Him more faithfully,
To make Him better known to others.*

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Processional Hymn (CWTL #42)

“*Sing of Mary*”

Please stand as you are able.

Opening Acclamation

Please remain standing as you are able.



Celebrant: ☒ Bles - sed be God: Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spirit.



Community: And bles - sed be his Kingdom, now and for e - ver. A - men.

Collect for Purity

The Celebrant may say:

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.**

Confession of Sin

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.

Absolution

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.

Gloria in Excelsis (JMT) *(sung together, all standing as you are able)*

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 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.

Collect for the Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

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.*

Please be seated for the readings.

The First Lesson (1 Kings 17:8-16)

Louis Durham

A Reading from the First Book of Kings.

The word of the Lord came to Elijah, saying, “Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you.” So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink.” As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.” But she said, “As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die.” Elijah said to her, “Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. For thus says the Lord the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the Lord sends rain on the earth.” She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

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

Psalm 146 (*read responsively by verse*)

- 1 Hallelujah! Praise the LORD, O my soul! * I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.
- 2 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, * for there is no help in them.**
- 3 When they breathe their last, they return to earth, * and in that day their thoughts perish.
- 4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! * whose hope is in the LORD their God;**
- 5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; * who keeps his promise for ever;
- 6 Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, * and food to those who hunger.**
- 7 The LORD sets the prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes of the blind; * the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;
- 8 The LORD loves the righteous; the LORD cares for the stranger; * he sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.**
- 9 The LORD shall reign for ever, * your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

The Second Lesson (Hebrews 9:24-28) Kevin Sangster

A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has

appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Celtic Alleluia

Please stand as you are able.

The Holy Gospel

Mark 12:38-44

Deacon The ☩ Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
 according to *Mark*.

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

As Jesus taught, he said, “Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows’ houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.”

He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Homily

Fr. Peter De Franco

The Nicene Creed *(Please stand as you are able: all say together)*

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

Dcn. Bruce Cecchini

The Celebrant says:

The widow in the temple gave everything she possessed to God. Like the widow, let us be generous in our prayers and giving for others, responding to the God who gives without ceasing as we pray, Lord, hear our prayer.

Deacon and people read responsively:

For a deeper appreciation of the many works of charity and service lived out by the Church.

Silence

Let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For the men and women who plan and administer the economy of this and all nations remembering, Joe, our President; Donald, our President-elect; Phil, our Governor; and Rick, our Mayor.

Silence

Let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For peoples who's giving is of a sacrificial nature.

Silence

Let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For true gratitude in our hearts for the gift of Jesus Christ in this Eucharist.

Silence

Let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For the special intentions of this Eucharistic community, that our prayers may rise to God as we pray for:

- Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Sally, our Bishop; Francis, the Bishop

of Rome; and Bartholomew, the Patriarch of Constantinople.

- All Missionaries throughout the world.
- The persecuted Church throughout the world.
- Our troops serving at home and abroad.
- All expectant mothers and their unborn children.
- All those who are sick and suffering, *especially Ibrahim, Barbara Alber, Brandi Miller, Mary Smith, and Sonia Giscombe.*
- The victims of crime in our communities.
- The victims of natural and environmental disasters, *especially those of Hurricane Rafael.*
- Those nations engaged in wars and suffering from the devastation in the wake of conflicts.
- Our family and friends celebrating birthdays, *especially Dominic Ruggiero, Vincent Ruggiero, Sophie Gainer, Maria Donohue, Dorothea Sewter, and Charles McCafferty, III.*
- For our absent brothers and sisters.

The people are invited to add their own intercessions either silently or aloud.

- Silence -

Let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For the dead who longs for the company of the blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints, *especially [N].*

Silence

Let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Let us pray together for the Good Shepherd Church Family:

Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for the Church family of Good Shepherd. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our

common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant:

O God, your Son was stripped and mocked. Enthroned in glory at your side, Christ was lifted high upon the Cross. Equal to you in the splendor of divinity, Jesus emptied Himself for our salvation. Fix our eyes on this self-surrender, stir up our hearts to give freely and generously all that we are and all that we have for the coming of your Kingdom. We ask this, through Christ our Lord. Amen.




Blessing of the Sunday School Children and Teacher

General Prayer for Comfort and Healing (*please come forward to the altar rail if you are interested*).

The Peace *Please stand as you are able.*

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Announcements

-  The **Mission Committee** meets today in the upper level of the Church Hall at 11 a.m. after our **Fellowship Potluck brunch**.
-  **Lay Readers and Presenters of the Elements Sign-up sheets for December and January** are in the back.
-  **Bible Study and Diocesan Prayer Service:**
 - There is no Bible study this Wednesday. The series will resume next Sunday, November 20.
 - The Bishop is leading a **Diocesan-wide Prayer Service** via Zoom at 7 p.m. this Wednesday.

✚ **Nominations Forms** available in the back for the open positions on the Mission Committee to be filled at our Annual Meeting in January.

✚ **Outreach:**

- **Operation Christmas Child** – spreading the Good News of Christ through packing and gifting a Shoebox for children around the world. **Next week** is the last day for donating to meet the shipping date.
- **Teach for Haiti** – an outreach program our church sponsors to help improve literacy in Haiti. If you are interested in supporting, you may donate online via the Outreach dropdown option, put your check made payable to the church or your cash in an envelope with your name in the offering plate. We are collecting through the last Sunday in November.

✚ **Fundraisers:**

- **Christmas Shopping Raffle** tickets are available at \$5 each. 1st Prize - \$1,000 worth of store gift cards; 2nd Prize - \$500 Visa Gift Card; 3rd Prize - \$250 Visa Gift Card. Proceeds to benefit the church. Please see Darlene or Lillian for tickets.
- **Wawa Hoagie Coupons** are available at \$5 each. Please see Lillian if you are interested.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRIFICE OF CHRIST

Offertory Hymn (CWTL #37)

*“We Thank You
Father”*

Please stand as you are able.

The Offering of the Bread

The Celebrant takes the bread to be consecrated and places it on the corporal. The following may be said:

Celebrant Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the Bread of Life.

People **Blessed be God for ever.**

The Offering of the Wine

The Celebrant takes the wine to be consecrated and places it on the corporal. The following may be said:

Celebrant Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become for us our spiritual drink.

People **Blessed be God for ever.**

The Celebrant may address the community with these words.

Celebrant: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my Sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.

People: **May the Lord receive the Sacrifice at your hands, to the praise and glory of His Name, both to our benefit, and that of all His holy Church.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

Please stand as you are able.

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 proceeds:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. *Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.*

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 and Benedictus (*JMT #3*)

(sung together, all remain standing as you are able)

**Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of Power
God of power and might.
The heavens and the 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
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.**

The people stand or kneel. 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." ✠

Celebrant
There - fore, ac - cord - ing to his com - mand, O Fa - ther,
Celebrant and People
We re - mem - ber his death, We pro - claim his re - sur -
rec - tion, We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.

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 Mary, the Virgin Mother of God; Joseph her spouse, with the apostles, martyrs; 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 forever.



The Lord's Prayer

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

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.

Breaking of The Bread

[Fraction Anthem]

Agnus Dei (Lamb of God) (sung together)

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.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words:

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. [**Amen.**]

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. [**Amen.**]

Communion Hymn (LEVAS #109)

*“What A Friend
We Have in Jesus”*

Postcommunion 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.

The Blessing

Celebrant blesses the congregation.

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord. May our blessed Lady, blessed Joseph, and all the saints pray for you; and the blessing of God Almighty, the ☩ Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. ***Amen.***

The Dismissal *Please stand as you are able.*

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

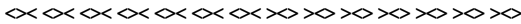
Recessional Hymn (LEVAS II #226)

*“Mine Eyes Have
Seen the Glory”*

After Worship Prayer

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Grant, we beseech *thee*, Almighty God, that the words which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may, through *thy* grace, be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honor and praise of *thy* Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***



Please join us downstairs in the Fellowship Hall for brunch immediately following the service.

The Ministers of the Liturgy

The Rev. Fr. Peter De Franco
Celebrant and Homilist

The Rev. Bruce Cecchini
Deacon

Andrew Listman
Eucharistic Minister

Louis Durham
Music Minister

Louis Durham
Kevin Sangster
Lay Readers

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A WARM WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS! You may be new to us, but you are known and loved by God. Please fill out the visitor's card found in the pew racks and place it in the offering plate. We look forward to meeting you and having you worship with us again soon.

Prayer List (please let us know when your loved one should be removed).

Current Military Service:

Aiden Borden	Jonathan DeMaria
Andrew Miller	Joseph Hodges
Carter Smyth	Keith Taylor
Charles Devoll	Mason Smiley
Dalton Anders	Roman Mealey
David Daniels	Ted Chavis
Dave Niglio	
Dominique Trappey	
Felix Perez	
Francois Trappey	<u>Expectant Mothers and their Babies</u>
Jacob Listman	Elizabeth Schaffer (January)
Jessica Smyth	
Jimmy Sheridan	

Comfort & Healing

Albert Spinelli	Jason	Paul Paine
Barbara Hill	Jerry Hathaway	Paul Williams
Barbara MacLeod	John Collier	Pauleen Williams
Barbara Peters Villari	John Rankin	Regina Listman
Betsy Richards	Joseph Wright	Richard Mealey
Carlos Guemes	Joyce Foster	Ricky Beam
Celiann Santiago	Judi Hathaway	Robert Bratty
Dale Maloney	Linda Mulero	Robert Huster
Dave McMichael	Lisa Gallagher	Robert Kebler
Dona Smith	Lori Gantz	Tom Knott
Donna Vandy	Mackenzie Wister	Sheila Williams
Doris Elaine Philips	Mary Corson	Steven Ireland
Edna Krug	Mary McGrath	
Gary Spinelli	Meredith Del Rosi	
George Phelps	Mr. & Mrs. Moe	
Ginger Phelps	Mrs. Simon	
Hailey Mikula	Norman Rogers, Sr.	
Jack Rogers	Pat Knott	