



Episcopal Church of the Holy Cross

READINGS FOR THANKSGIVING DAY

November 19, 2023

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Wherever you are on your journey of faith, Holy Cross welcomes you, just as you are, to share in the transforming power of God's love.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Hymn 433 (10am) *We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing* Kremser

The Opening Acclamation Book of Common Prayer, pg. 355

The Collect for Purity BCP pg. 355

The Gloria/Song of Praise Pew Leaflet, Thaxted

The Collect of the Day

Almighty and gracious Father, we give you thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labors of those who harvest them. Make us, we pray, faithful stewards of your great bounty, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The First Reading: **Deuteronomy 8:7-18**

For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper.

You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for the good land that he has given you. Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today. When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid wasteland with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock, and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. Do not say to yourself, "My power and the might of my own hand have gotten me this wealth." But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.

Psalm 65: 1-5 **BCP p. 672**

You are to be praised, O God, in Zion; *
to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem.

To you that hear prayer shall all flesh come, *
because of their transgressions.
Our sins are stronger than we are, *
but you will blot them out.
Happy are they whom you choose
and draw to your courts to dwell there! *
they will be satisfied by the beauty of your house,
by the holiness of your temple.
Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness,
O God of our salvation, *
O Hope of all the ends of the earth
and of the seas that are far away.

The Second Reading:

2 Corinthians 9:6-15

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 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. As it is written, "He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

HYMN 291 (10am)

We plow the field and scatter

Wir Pflügen

The Gospel:

Luke 17:11-19

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon:

The Rev. Kelly Moughty

The Nicene Creed

BCP, pg. 358

The Prayers of the People: Form VI

BCP, pg. 392

Confession of Sins BCP, pg. 393
The Peace
The Announcements

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Offertory (10am) Steal away
The Presentation *As those of old their first fruits brought V.3* Pew Leaflet
Eucharistic Prayer A BCP pg. 361
Sanctus (10am) Pew Leaflet, Proulx
The Lord's Prayer BCP, pg. 364
The Fraction Pew Leaflet, Burnam
HYMN 335 (10am) *I am the bread of life*
The Post Communion Prayer BCP, pg. 365
The Blessing
HYMN 396 (10am) *Now thank we all our God* Nun danket alle Gott
The Dismissal BCP, pg. 366
Postlude

The Worship has ended. The Service Begins.

Worship and Education at Holy Cross

Sunday

8:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist in person

10:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist in person and online

Wednesday

10:15 a.m. Bible/Book Study

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