

**OCTOBER 29, 2023**

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

**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.”**

**– Matthew 22:34-46**

# WELCOME

*We are so glad you have chosen to worship with us today!*

## **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION**

### **OPENING WORSHIP SONGS**

### **ACCLAMATION**

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

**And blessed be his kingdom forever and ever.**

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.**

### **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

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.**

## **READING OF THE WORD**

### **DEUTERONOMY 34:1-12**

Then Moses climbed Mount Nebo from the plains of Moab to the top of Pisgah, across from Jericho. There the LORD showed him the whole land—from Gilead to Dan, <sup>2</sup> all of Naphtali, the territory of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Mediterranean Sea, <sup>3</sup> the Negev and the whole region from the Valley of Jericho, the City of Palms, as far as Zoar. <sup>4</sup> Then the LORD said to him, “This is the land I promised on oath to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob when I said, ‘I will give it to your descendants.’ I have let you see it with your eyes, but you will not cross over into it.”

<sup>5</sup> And Moses the servant of the LORD died there in Moab, as the LORD had said. <sup>6</sup> He buried him in Moab, in the valley opposite Beth Peor, but to this day no one knows where his grave is. <sup>7</sup> Moses was a hundred and twenty years old when he died, yet his eyes were not weak nor his strength gone. <sup>8</sup> The Israelites grieved for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days, until the time of weeping and mourning was over.

<sup>9</sup> Now Joshua son of Nun was filled with the spirit of wisdom because Moses had laid his hands on him. So the Israelites listened to him and did what the LORD had commanded Moses.



**CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

**A LOVING COMMUNITY, INSPIRING OTHERS THROUGH WORSHIP AND SERVICE TO FOLLOW JESUS CHRIST**

<sup>10</sup> Since then, no prophet has risen in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face, <sup>11</sup> who did all those signs and wonders the LORD sent him to do in Egypt—to Pharaoh and to all his officials and to his whole land. <sup>12</sup> For no one has ever shown the mighty power or performed the awesome deeds that Moses did in the sight of all Israel.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM 90:1-6, 13-17

- <sup>1</sup> Lord, you have been our refuge  
**from one generation to another.**
- <sup>2</sup> Before the mountains were brought forth,  
or the land and the earth were born,  
**from age to age you are God.**
- <sup>3</sup> You turn us back to the dust and say,  
**“Go back, O child of earth.”**
- <sup>4</sup> For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday  
when it is past  
**and like a watch in the night.**
- <sup>5</sup> You sweep us away like a dream;  
**we fade away suddenly like the grass.**
- <sup>6</sup> In the morning it is green and flourishes;  
**in the evening it is dried up and withered.**
- <sup>13</sup> Return, O Lord; how long will you tarry?  
**be gracious to your servants.**
- <sup>14</sup> Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;  
**so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.**
- <sup>15</sup> Make us glad by the measure of the days that you  
afflicted us  
**and the years in which we suffered adversity.**
- <sup>16</sup> Show your servants your works  
**and your splendor to their children.**
- <sup>17</sup> May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us;  
**prosper the work of our hands;  
prosper our handiwork.**

### 1 THESSALONIANS 2:1-8

You know, brothers and sisters, that our visit to you was not without results. <sup>2</sup> We had previously suffered and been treated outrageously in Philippi, as you know, but with the help of our God we dared to tell you his gospel in the face of strong opposition. <sup>3</sup> For the appeal we make does not spring from error or impure motives, nor are we trying to trick you. <sup>4</sup> On the contrary, we speak as those approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel. We are not trying to please people but God, who tests our hearts. <sup>5</sup> You know we never used flattery, nor did we put on a mask to cover up greed—God is our witness. <sup>6</sup> We were not looking for praise from people, not from you or anyone else, even though as apostles of Christ we could have asserted our authority. <sup>7</sup> Instead, we were like young children among you.

Just as a nursing mother cares for her children, <sup>8</sup> so we cared for you. Because we loved you so much, we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL SONG

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

### MATTHEW 22:34-46

<sup>34</sup> When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, <sup>35</sup> and one of them, an expert in the law, asked him a question to test him. <sup>36</sup> “Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?” <sup>37</sup> 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.’ <sup>38</sup> This is the greatest and first commandment. <sup>39</sup> And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ <sup>40</sup> On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.”

<sup>41</sup> Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: <sup>42</sup> “What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?” They said to him, “The son of David.” <sup>43</sup> He said to them, “How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

<sup>44</sup> ‘The Lord said to my Lord,  
“Sit at my right hand,  
until I put your enemies under your feet” ’?

<sup>45</sup> "If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" <sup>46</sup>  
No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **SERMON**

The Rev. Andy MacBeth

### **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.

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
**That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and  
humbly serve you;  
**That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word  
and Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations  
of the world;  
**That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
**That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
**That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest.  
**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
**May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*The People may add their own petitions.*

### **PRAY FOR THE HOLY LAND & THE MIDDLE EAST**

O God of all justice and peace we cry out to you in the  
midst of the pain and trauma of violence and fear which  
prevails in the Holy Land.

Be with those who need you in these days of suffering; we  
pray for people of all faiths - Jews, Muslims and Christians  
and for all people of the land.

While we pray to you, O Lord, for an end to violence  
and the establishment of peace, we also call for you to  
bring justice and equity to the peoples. Guide us into  
your kingdom where all people are treated with dignity  
and honour as your children for to all of us you are our  
Heavenly Father.

**In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

*(The Anglican Episcopal Archbishop in Jerusalem and the  
Middle East, the Most Revd Hosam Naoum)*

## PRAYER FOR DISCERNMENT

Great God,

We thank You and praise You for the blessings and grace You have given Church of the Holy Spirit from the beginning. Father, use this season to be a time of healing, repentance, and surrender. Search our hearts and renew our minds to be open to hear Your voice and do Your will.

May we go with You God, as You take us places where we must trust You alone. May we be faithful in worship and in prayer as we deepen our own walk with You as Lord and Savior.

God give us Your wisdom and discernment as You reveal Your plans to us.

Our church will be a loving community, inspiring others through worship and service to follow Jesus Christ, as we participate with You.

We thank You Lord, for Your love and the plans You have for Church of the Holy Spirit.

In Jesus name, Amen

## CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence*

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.

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.**

## SHARING PEACE

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

## OFFERTORY SONG

### DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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:

**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.**

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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 Savior  
Christ has taught us,  
we are bold to say,

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**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. Amen.**

### **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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.

### **COMMUNION SONG**

#### **CLOSING PRAYER**

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.

### **COMMISSION OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS**

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **BLESSING**

#### **CLOSING WORSHIP SONG**

#### **DISMISSAL**

Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us bless the Lord.  
Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

### **WANT HEALING PRAYER?**

A prayer team is available  
during the Prayers of the People.

### **THE WEEK AHEAD OCTOBER 29-NOVEMBER 4**

<b>SUN</b>	<b>29</b>	Holy Eucharist   10:00 am   In Person & Online Coffee Hour   After Service   Fulton Hall
<b>TUE</b>	<b>31</b>	Reunion Group – Cursillo   5:30 pm
<b>WED</b>	<b>1</b>	Morning Prayer   10:00 am   In Person & Online
<b>THU</b>	<b>2</b>	Garden Team   9:00 am Bible Study   7:00 pm   Fulton Hall
<b>FRI</b>	<b>3</b>	Group Prayer   10:00 am   Conference Call Night of Worship   7:00 pm



**JOIN US TODAY FOR COFFEE HOUR**

**AFTER THE SERVICE IN FULTON HALL**

**DONATIONS ACCEPTED**

## UPCOMING EVENTS



**Reunion Group – Cursillo**  
**Tuesdays at 5:30 pm, Zoom Call**  
 This group offers personal time for prayer and sharing of life's joys and sorrows, as well as accountability to Christ's call for study, piety and action. Contact Sally Allen at 413-822-1160 for details.



**Garden Team, Thursdays at 9:00 am**  
 Join us as we tend to the landscaping needs of the church. No experience necessary! Contact Sandy Kreidler at 941-365-4246 if you are available to help.



**Bible Study**  
**Thursdays at 7:00 pm**  
 Our current study is *Exploring James – Living a Life of Faith in Action*. Facilitated by Pastor Gerry Gardner.



**Group Prayer**  
**Fridays at 10:00 am, Conference Call**  
**Dial 717-908-1923, Code 974309#**  
 Join us as we pray for the search of a new rector, personal needs, Ukraine, our country, and social issues of the day. Contact Annabell Edwards at 941-900-6147 for details.



**Night of Worship**  
**Healing Prayer & Praise Night**  
**Friday, November 3 • 7:00 pm**

Come rest in God's presence; use the time to focus your prayers, seek healing for your life, and be freshly anointed by the Holy Spirit. Scott Gardner will be leading worship.

**In Person & Live on Facebook**




**Women's Breakfast Club**  
**Monday, November 6 • 9:00 am**

Share prayers, fellowship and discussion on women's issues.

Meet at Eggstraordinary Breakfast & Lunch Cafe, 2282 Tamiami Tr. North, Nokomis. Julie Brady will led the discussion.

Contact Sandy Kreidler at 941-365-4246 for details.



**THIS MONTH'S OUTREACH**  
**HOUSE OF PRAYER**

Preparing the way of the Lord and to raise up messengers.

To help support this ministry, Pastor discretionary and others, please drop a donation in the white box on the chancel area.



**THANK YOU**

TO ALL THE BEHIND THE SCENE VOLUNTEERS. WE APPRECIATE YOU SO VERY MUCH!

**HOW ARE WE DOING FINANCIALLY?**

September 2023		Year-to-Date / Jan-Sep	
Income:	\$ 11,046	Income	\$ 224,714
Expenses:	\$ 12,381	Expenses:	\$ 222,538
Difference:	\$ -1,335	Difference:	\$ + 2,176

**WAYS TO GIVE:**  
 In Person • Online Via CHS Website • Mail

## THE CHURCH IN PRAYER

### PRAYER REQUESTS & PRAISE REPORTS

*If you have a prayer to be added to this list or you would like to be added to our email prayer chain, call the office or email [prayers@chsosprey.com](mailto:prayers@chsosprey.com).*

- Safety for Nicole and her team getting out of Lebanon to Egypt.
- For Kathy to find the Word.
- For Bob and Darlene to find direction to a church.
- For reconciliation of family members.
- Salvation for my sister.
- Salvation for Freddy, Sue, Walter and Matthew.
- For my nephew's fiancé who is battling cancer. May the Lord heal her cancer.
- Healing for Robin's knee and healing for Mac's ankle.
- Healing re-bout for Phil to join our Church family.
- For my friend overcoming post operative effects of breast cancer.
- Continued healing for her brother, Rick.
- Pray for difficulty of breathing for Pam's friend, Helen.
- Continued healing for Julie's son, Dan. Increase of faith.
- Prayers for our church and for our country.
- Healing for a friend's husband.
- Salvation for Todd.
- Peace for Marilyn.
- Daughter's new relationship be of God.
- Protection for Judy's niece, Kathy's open-heart surgery.
- Provisions for the homeless.
- Pray for my family and extended family in these tough, troubled times!
- Continue to pray for CHS and that we will be strong and faithful throughout this search process.
- Continue to pray for Sandee Petway and June.
- Continued prayers for an end to the Russia/Ukraine war.



*"For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past and like a watch in the night."*

– Psalm 90:4



## CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Pastor Gerry Gardner, Lay Pastor

Nancy Lihan, Music Worship Leader



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