

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**NOVEMBER 5, 2023**

9:00 A.M. Holy Eucharist Rite 1

This service is livestreamed to the parish FB page

Opening Hymn	<i>For all the Saints</i>	287 (blue book)
Opening Acclamation		323 (red book)
Collect		323 (red book)
Gloria		324 (red book)
Collect of the Day		184 (red book)
I Reading— Micah	3: 5-12	
Psalm 43:	1-6	644 (red book)
Epistle— 1 Thessalonians	2:9-13	
Gradual Hymn	<i>Blest are the pure in heart</i>	656 (blue book)
Gospel— Matthew	23: 1-12	
Homily		Father Joe Hannah
Nicene Creed		326 (red book)
Prayers of the People		328 (red book)
Confession of Sin		330 (red book)
The Peace		332 (red book)
Announcements		
The Great Thanksgiving		333 (red book)
Sanctus		
The Lord's Prayer		336 (red book)
Communion		
All baptized persons, regardless of denomination, and including children, are welcome to receive Holy Communion. If you wish a blessing instead please cross your arms across your chest.		
Post-Communion Prayer		339 (red book)

Blessing		339 (red book)
Closing Hymn	<i>Who are these like the stars appearing</i>	286 (blue book)
Dismissal		340 (red book)
MICAH 3: 5-12		

Thus says the LORD concerning the prophets
 who lead my people astray,

who cry “Peace”
 when they have something to eat,
 but declare war against those
 who put nothing into their mouths.

Therefore it shall be night to you, without vision,
 and darkness to you, without revelation.

The sun shall go down upon the prophets,
 and the day shall be black over them;

the seers shall be disgraced,
 and the diviners put to shame;

they shall all cover their lips,
 for there is no answer from God.

But as for me, I am filled with power,
 with the spirit of the LORD,
 and with justice and might,

to declare to Jacob his transgression
 and to Israel his sin.

Hear this, you rulers of the house of Jacob
 and chiefs of the house of Israel,

who abhor justice
 and pervert all equity,

who build Zion with blood
and Jerusalem with wrong!
Its rulers give judgment for a bribe,
its priests teach for a price,
its prophets give oracles for money;
yet they lean upon the LORD and say,
“Surely the LORD is with us!
No harm shall come upon us.”
Therefore because of you
Zion shall be plowed as a field;
Jerusalem shall become a heap of ruins,
and the mountain of the house a wooded height.

PSALM 43: 1-6

644 (red book)

1 THESSALONIANS 2: 9-13

You remember our labor and toil, brothers and sisters; we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you while we proclaimed to you the gospel of God. You are witnesses, and God also, how pure, upright, and blameless our conduct was toward you believers. As you know, we dealt with each one of you like a father with his children, urging and encouraging you and pleading that you lead a life worthy of God, who calls you into his own kingdom and glory.

We also constantly give thanks to God for this, that when you received the word of God that you heard from us, you accepted it not as a human word but as what it really is, God's word, which is also at work in you believers.

MATTHEW 25: 1-12

Jesus said to the crowds and to his disciples, “The scribes and the Pharisees sit on Moses' seat; therefore, do whatever they teach you and follow it; but do not do as they do, for they do not practice what they teach. They tie up heavy burdens, hard to bear, and lay them on the shoulders of others; but they themselves are unwilling to lift a finger to move them. They do all their deeds to be seen by others; for they make their phylacteries broad and their fringes long. They love to have the place of honor at banquets and the best seats in the synagogues, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have people call them rabbi. But you are not to be called rabbi, for you have one teacher, and you are all students. And call no one your father on earth, for you have one Father-- the one in heaven. Nor are you to be called instructors, for you have one instructor, the Messiah. The greatest among you will be your servant. All who exalt themselves

WELCOME TO GRACE

We welcome all newcomers and visitors and we ask that you complete a card from pews or welcome table or sign our newcomer book (located in the front of the building). We are glad that you are here with us today.

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