St. Christopher by the Sea
Gibson Island
November 8, 2026
The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
Morning Prayer

Prelude Elegy — George Thalben-Ball
Processional Hymn 436, *Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates* Vs 1-3
Opening Sentences BCP page 40
Confession and Absolution BCP pages 41-42
The Invitatory BCP page 42
Venite Insert and BCP page 44

Venite exultemus Domino



1. O COME let us sing / unto ● the / LORD;*
   let us heartily rejoice in the / strength of / our sal /vation.
2. Let us come before his presence with / **thanks** /giving*
   and show ourselves / glad in / him with / psalms.
3. For the LORD is a / **great** / God;*
   and a great / King a / bove all /Gods.
4. In his hand are all the corners / of the / earth;*
   and the strength of the hills is / **his** / **al** /so.
5. The sea is / his and ● he / made it;*
   and his hands pre / pared the / **dry** / land.
6. O come let us worship and / **fall** / down,*
   and kneel before the / Lord our / **Ma** /ker.
7. For he is the / Lord our / God;*
   and we are the people of his pasture and the / sheep of / **his** / hand.
8. O worship the LORD in the / beauty ● of / holiness;*
   let the whole earth / stand in / awe of / him.
9. For he cometh, for he cometh to / judge the / earth;*
   and with righteousness to judge the world,
   and the / peoples / with his / truth.

Psalm 70 Insert
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen

First Reading: Amos 5:18-24 Insert
Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 8:13-18 Insert
Hymn 68, *Rejoice! Rejoice, believers*
Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13 Insert
Sermon The Rev. Alan Mead
Guest Speaker Laura Cecala
Apostles' Creed BCP page 53
The Lord's Prayer BCP page 54
Suffrages A BCP page 55
Collect of the Day Insert
A Collect for Sundays BCP page 56
Prayer for mission BCP page 57
Intercessions and Thanksgivings may be offered
Passing of the Peace and Announcements
Offertory Sentence
Offertory Collection & Hymn 380 v4
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.
Hymn 717, portions of stanzas 1 and 4 — *America*
My country 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing
Long may our land be bright with freedom's holy light;
Protect us by thy might, great God our King.
The General Thanksgiving BCP pages 58-59

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**
Officiant May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Recessional Hymn 718, *God of our fathers*

Dismissal Alleluia! Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude Trumpet Tune — Michael McCabe

FLOWERS on the altar today are placed
by Donna & Brian Gragnolati
In memory of our parents,
Donald & Jean Koyen
and Alfred & Marion Gragnolati.