

Thanksgiving Eve

November 22, 2006

5:30 p.m.

Holy Eucharist Rite II and Sermon

Prelude:

Processional *Hymn: 291 We plow the fields, and scatter*

THE WORD OF THE LORD

Opening Acclamation BCP p. 355

Collect for Purity BCP p. 355

Gloria S 280 BCP p. 356

The Collect of the Day:

All mighty 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 forever. Amen.

The Old Testament Lesson: Deuteronomy 8:1-3, 6-10

Psalm 65:9-14 BCP p. 672

The Epistle: James 1:17-18, 21-27

Sequence Hymn: 716 *God bless our native land*

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 6:25-33

The Homily The Rev. John Grafton Cockrell

A Litany of Thanksgiving BCP p. 837

The Peace

Welcome and Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem *Come, You Thankful People, Come* Smith

Presentation of Gifts 365 vs. 4

The Great Thanksgiving C BCP p. 369

Sanctus S 130

The Lord's Prayer BCP p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread BCP p. 364

Fraction Anthem S 152

Communion – All baptized persons are welcome

Communion Hymns: 312, 529, 339

Post Communion Prayer BCP p. 365

The Blessing

Closing Hymn: 433 *We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing*

Dismissal – Response "Thanks be to God"

SERVING TODAY

Celebrant: The Rev. John Grafton Cockrell

Chalicer/Lector: Don Williams **Chalicer/Epistoler:** Teresa Paine

Acolyte: Becky Beckett

Altar Guild Mrs. John Beckett Mrs. M. T. Meachum
Mrs. Walter L. Sowers

We welcome all visitors to Christ Church in the Name of Lord Jesus Christ. Please come again!

The **Altar Flowers** which grace the altar this evening are given to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of C. M. Hunter, Sr., Charlotte Gillespie, and Sloane McGraw by Mr. and Mrs. Mike Hunter.

COMMUNION: All baptized Christians are welcome and encouraged to receive communion. After the choir has received communion, the congregation will come forward to the altar rail. Those at the altar rail *please wait* until everyone has received bread and wine before returning to their pew.

PRAYER LIST: Members: Ralph McCue, Mary Kathryn Burton, Deak Kersey, and Nelson Walker.

Family and Friends of Members: Martin Wilson, Susie Fox, Ken Smith, Elizabeth Steorts, Meg Grant, Brian Ford-Coates, Anna, Caroline Morgan, Betty Cline, and Martin Keffer.

Our **CHRISMON TREE** will be decorated on Saturday, December 2 beginning at 10:00 a.m. **Advent and Christmas will soon begin so please try to help!**

CHRISTMAS OUTREACH 2006

CEC has adopted three Union Mission families for Christmas. Gifts will be given to 8 children, and donations of money accepted to help with utility bills and food gift certificates from Food City. For more information on gifts for children, check bulletin board near Library. If you wish to make a donation, please send to CEC – marked for UNION MISSION FAMILY - or give your donation to Louisa Sowers. All gifts need to be received at CEC by Sunday, December 17.

*For all that has been – Thanks!
For all that shall be – Yes!
Daj Hammarskuold (1905-1961)*

*Thou has given so much to me,
Give one thing more – a grateful heart!
George Herbert (1593-1633)*

We thank you and praise you. Lord open our eyes to all your gifts: family, friends, home and possessions, talents, youth and age, health, laughter and love. As we gather your harvest, help us to share all that we have with others and with you. We pray that we use the gifts you give us to your glory. We thank you for our daily bread and for our Bread of Life, your Son, Jesus Christ. *Amen*

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

Your people bring you thanksgiving gifts this harvest day, Creator Lord: produce of farm and field, garden and orchard. Stand guard over our worship, eternal God, lest we who come with full hands, leave with empty hearts. Let your creative power, self-evident in harvest plenty, also newly create our faith in Christ to yield a harvest which is eternal. Amen.