The greens on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Bill Steinway by Sherry Steinway.

Scripture Readings for December 6th
Isaiah 40:1-11, Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13,
2 Peter 3:8-15a, Mark 1:1-8

UPCOMING EVENTS:

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Church Office Hours: Monday–Thursday 8am – 1pm
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Plenty Good Room – My 2027 Promise
Generosity makes spaces. Faith promises or "pledges" help us budget for the upcoming year to better plan for ministry. Pledge here.

Please Mark Your Calendars for these exciting Events!

- November 29th – December 13th
  Outreach Christmas Angel Tree
  St. Peter's Outreach is partnering with Gifts of Love to provide Christmas gifts for 15 local children in need. Pick up an angel after services on 11/29, 12/6, or 12/13, purchase either the requested gift or a $25 Walmart gift card, and return wrapped gifts with the angel attached by 12/13.
- December 6th – Christmas Bazaar – Come find your treasure and celebrate the season, right after both Sunday Services.
- December 13th at 5:00 PM– Lessons and Carols Christmas Concert with Josh Bales. Join us for one of the most beloved traditions of the season. Through Scripture readings and carols, we'll trace God's story of redemption from Genesis to the birth of Christ. Please register online.
- December 24th at 5:00 PM – Christmas Eve Lessons & Carols Service

Bible Study News – See additional info in the newsletter! See below for changes in the schedule.

- **Wednesday Bible Study with Fr. Peter meets 11:00 – 12:00.** Advent study discussions for the first three weeks of December.
- **Wednesday evening Bible Study** with Richard Denton meets from 6:00-7:30 PM but **will not meet on Dec.9th, Dec. 16th, or Dec. 23nd.** Discussions from the gospel of John.
- **Women's Thursday Bible study** will meet with Andrea Scott from 5:30 - 7:00 PM but **will not meet Nov. 26th, Dec. 3rd, Dec. 24th, or Dec. 31st.** They will resume their regular schedule starting January 7th.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Church of the Good Shepherd, Lake Wales All Saints' Episcopal Church, Lakeland

St. Peter's Cycle of Prayer: Memorial Garden Committee

Those Who Suffer: Andy Oberdick, Bev Gurtis, Patricia Longacre, Bill Smith, Ron & Gretchen Nass, Elayne Maher, Vicky VanDoren, Chip Steffey, Chase Scaccia, Ed Cote, Bill Gerlach, Kenny Wince, Terry Becker, Sue Willard.

Those in the Military: Luke Adams, Mason Adams, John Blood, Jesse Davis, Luke Fairweather, Ken M., Daniel McMillan, Oscar Mendozoa, Tristan Mullen, Brandon Nash, Mitchell Nass, Cole Savas, Hershel Beebe, Duncan Elsey, Wesley Valdyke, Evan Valdyke, Elliott McCartha.

Happy Birthday ~ Sue Willard, Timothy Scott, Gretchen Behrens, Xavier Quintana,

Happy Anniversary ~ Tara Smith & Carol Davis, Peter & Paula Conover

Financial Information - YTD Financial Status through the end of October, Income $267,994, Expense $282,619, Deficit ($14,625).

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Gather in Christ's Name
Grow in the Father's Love
Go in the Spirit's Power

The Holy Eucharist – Rite II - 10:30 a.m.

First Sunday of Advent **November 29, 2026**

Song of Praise Lo He Comes With Clouds Descending (Helmsley)

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Collect for Purity BCP p. 355

Song of Praise Come Thou Long Expected Jesus (#66)

Celebrant Lord, have mercy.
People **Christ, have mercy.**
Celebrant Lord, have mercy.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson Isaiah 64:1-9

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence– as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil– to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet those who gladly do right, those

who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. Yet, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord, and do not remember iniquity forever. Now consider, we are all your people.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18

1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock*
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.

2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh*
stir up your strength and come to help us.

3 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

4 O LORD God of hosts, *
how long will you be angered despite the prayers of your people?

5 You have fed them with the bread of tears; *
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.

6 You have made us the derision of our neighbors, *
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.

7 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, *
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.

17 And so will we never turn away from you; *
give us life, that we may call upon your Name.

18 Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit*
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The Second Lesson 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind– just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you– so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel Reading Mark 13:24-37

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark
People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. "From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. "But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."

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

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed BCP p. 358

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The Peace & Announcements

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All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion. Ushers will direct you to come forward to the Altar rail. To receive the Bread, extend your hands, palms crossed. When receiving the Wine, you may dip the Bread or you may guide the chalice and drink from the cup. If you do not wish to receive Communion, please indicate your desire for a prayer for God's blessing by crossing your arms on your chest. For those who prefer gluten-free Bread or non-alcoholic Wine, please let us know when you arrive at the Altar rail.

The Holy Communion & The Great Thanksgiving-Prayer B BCP p.367

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Sanctus BCP p. 367

Celebrant Therefore, according to his command, O Father.
People. **We remember his death.**
We proclaim his resurrection.
We await his coming in glory.

The Lord's Prayer BCP p. 364

Communion Music King of Kings
We Remember You

Post Communion Prayer BCP p. 366

Song of Praise Lift Up Your Heads Ye Mighty Gates (#436)

The Dismissal **Thanks be to God.**