

MORNING PRAYER

ST. COLUMBA'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE REV. TERI WALDRON, PRESIDING

November 23, 2025



THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST:

THE FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

MUSIC WILL BE PLAYED

OPENING PRAYER FOR PURITY AND COLLECT

PRESIDER: O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your lovingkindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

ASSISTANT: Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

CONFESSION *Please join Presider on mute.*

PRESIDER: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor:

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

PRESIDER:  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.

THE LESSONS

ASSISTANT: A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah
[23:1–6]

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.

In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Hear what the Spirit is saying.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 46 *Please join Presider on mute in a responsive reading.*

- 1 God is our refuge and strength, *
a very present help in trouble.
- 2 Therefore we will not fear, though the
earth be moved, *
***and though the mountains be toppled
into the depths of the sea;***
- 3 Though its waters rage and foam, *
***and though the mountains tremble at its
tumult.***
- 4 The LORD of hosts is with us; *
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

5 There is a river whose streams make glad
the city of God, *

the holy habitation of the Most High.

6 God is in the midst of her;
she shall not be overthrown; *

God shall help her at the break of day.

7 The nations make much ado, and the
kingdoms are shaken; *

***God has spoken, and the earth shall melt
away.***

8 The LORD of hosts is with us; *

the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

9 Come now and look upon the works of
the LORD, *

***what awesome things he has done on
earth.***

10 It is he who makes war to cease in all the
world; *

***he breaks the bow, and shatters the
spear, and burns the shields with fire.***

11 “Be still, then, and know that I am God; *

***I will be exalted among the nations;
I will be exalted in the earth.”***

12 The LORD of hosts is with us; *
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

THE EPISTLE

ASSISTANT: A reading from the First Letter of Paul to Timothy [1:12–17]

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life.

To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Hear what the Spirit is saying.

Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL

PRESIDER: ☩ A reading from the Holy Gospel
According to Luke [15:1–10]

Glory to you Lord Christ.

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.” So he told them this parable: “Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it?

“When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.’ Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

“Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’ Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

May the words of the Gospel be made flesh in us.

Praise to you Lord Christ.

SERMON

KINDLY KEEP ALL MICS MUTED DURING SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Vincent Pizzuto



SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

All are invited to sit in silent communion with one another for four minutes. Music will signal the end of our meditation.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

ASSISTANT: Let us together proclaim our profession of faith, which has been handed down to us from ancient of days.

THE APOSTLES' CREED *Please join Assistant on mute*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body
and the life everlasting. Amen

THE OFFERING OF PEACE

PRESIDER: My sisters and brothers, the peace of Christ is with you!

ASSISTANT: And with your spirit.

PRESIDER: Let us embody Christ's peace for one another.

THE EXCHANGE OF PEACE

Presider will invite us all into small groups for several minutes to exchange a sign of peace and get to know one another. If you are new to St. Columba's we welcome you. If you are a member already, please extend a warm welcome to those in your group.

THE PRAYERS

PRESIDER: The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Please pray responsively on mute, led by Presider:

PRESIDER: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Sean our Presiding Bishop, Austin our Bishop in the Diocese of California, Sarah Archbishop of Canterbury, and for all bishops and other ministers, both lay and ordained;
For all who serve God and their neighbors.

For the special concerns of this congregation.

Silence

PRESIDER: For whom or for what else shall we pray?

All are invited to voice prayers before the community or offer them in the silence of your heart. [Unmute before speaking, then kindly mute again.]

PRAYER RESPONSE:

PRESIDER: God hear us,

ASSISTANT: ***God graciously hear us...***

PRESIDER: Lord God, hear the prayers of your people: those we have voiced in the presence of your Assembly, those we hold in the silence of our hearts,

and those for which we have yet to find words. In gratitude and love, we entrust ourselves to you who knows better than we the deepest needs of our hearts. In the name of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen.

PRESIDER: Let us pray as Jesus taught:

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,
Forever and ever. Amen.

PRESIDER: Savior, Redeemer, Beloved of God, clothe us in your love, strengthen us to live gently on this earth, give us humility to see all we encounter as precious to you, and teach us to walk with kindness and patience this hour and always.

Amen.

PRESIDER: ☩ May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from your paths; and may the blessing of God Almighty, the Three-In-One and One-In-Three be upon you and remain with you always.

Amen.

PRESIDER: My siblings in Christ, let us go forth into the world to love and serve the Divine and each other.

Thanks be to God!

CLOSING MUSIC WILL BE PLAYED

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE REACHED OUT
TO SUPPORT OUR MINISTRY!**

ONLINE DONATIONS MAY BE MADE VIA THE **"GIVE"** BUTTON ON OUR
WEBSITE, OR CHECKS MAILED TO:

ST. COLUMBA'S INVERNESS

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INVERNESS, CA
94937

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Please Email Meredith Burrell

who can help direct your needs to the right person:

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ONLINE EVENTS

NOON PRAYER

Weekly, Wednesdays, 12pm

Prayer, scripture study, meditation, and discussion, led by Mother Teri Waldron



EVENSONG

First Thursdays, Monthly

December 4, 7pm

Candlelight circle of sung prayer, spoken prayer, and silent meditation, led by Ann McChesney-Young.



ST. COLUMBA'S SERMON RECORDINGS



ANGLICAN STUDIES WITH FR. ANDREW

Class recordings



IN-PERSON EVENTS

ST. COLUMBA'S MINISTRY MEETINGS

Today, 12:30–2pm

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Chapel, Wednesdays, 7pm

PEREGRINATIO SUNDAY

Save the date: November 30



SAVE THE DATE: DECEMBER 7

Santa & Mrs Claus are coming!

2:30pm

St. Columba's Celtic Concert Series:

Amhránaíthe, featuring Celtic singer Amelia Hogan

3pm



FESTIVAL OF NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS

Sunday, December 14, at 7pm

Our Iona Choir will be joined by the choir of St. Francis of Assisi, Novato, and beautiful Celtic harpist Diana Rowan

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT MASS

Wednesday, December 24, at 8pm

CHRISTMAS MORNING MASS

Thursday, December 25, at 10am

**ST. COLUMBA'S VIRTUAL PLATE FOR YOUR
DONATIONS**



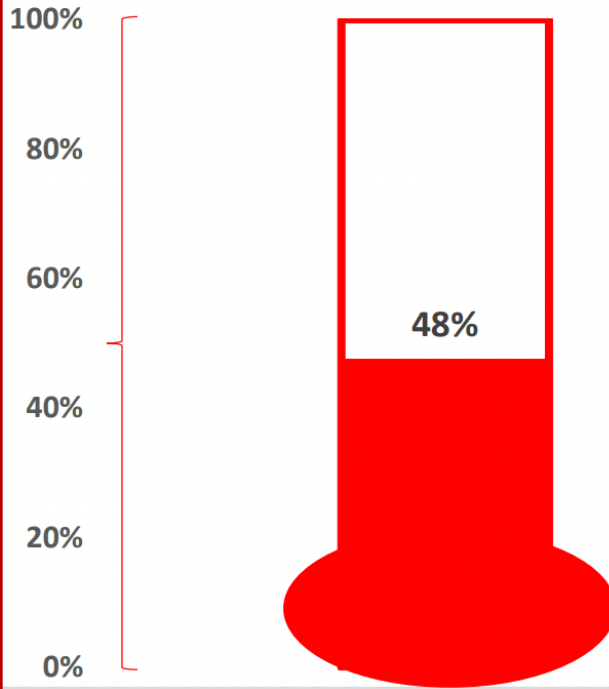
2026 Pledge Update

2026 Pledge Goal = \$ 160,000

Donations as of November 20th = \$ 76,123.45

We are 48% of the Goal

THANK YOU to to all who have pledged!



OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS?

COFFEE WITH JESUS

Take few minutes to get your favorite morning beverage and return to us for coffee hour small group conversation.

