



CHRIST CHURCH

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10:30 A. M.

Eucharist Service
The Sunday after
the Ascension
Sunday, May 24, 2020

Enter His gates with thanksgiving;
Go into His courts with praise!
(Psalm 100:3a)

THE WORD OF GOD

Entering Into God's Presence

Voluntary

Tuba Tune

D. Major

Processional Hymn

1. Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne;
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
all music but its own;
awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King
through all eternity.

5. Crown him the Lord of heaven,
enthroned in worlds above;
Crown him the King, to whom is given
the wondrous name of Love.
Crown him with many crowns,
as thrones before him fall,
crown him, ye kings, with many crowns,
for he is King of all.

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music: *Diademata*, George Job Elvy (1816-1893); desc. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)
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Opening Acclamation

All standing, the Celebrant says

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The Collect of Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Summary of the Law

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the prophets. (*Matthew 22:37-40*)

Kyrie eleison

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

People ***Christ, have mercy upon us.***

Celebrant Lord, have mercy upon us.

Song of Praise

1.

He's coming on the clouds,
kings and kingdoms will bow down.
And every chain will break
as broken hearts declare His praise.
For who can stop the Lord Almighty?

Refrain: *Our God is the Lion, the Lion of Judah.
He's roaring with power, and fighting our battles.
And every knee will bow before Him.*

*Our God is the Lamb, the Lamb that was slain
For the sins of the world, His blood breaks the chains.
And every knee will bow before the Lion and the Lamb.
Every knee will bow before Him.*

So open up the gates,
make way before the King of kings.
The God who comes to save is here to set the captives free.
For who can stop the Lord Almighty? (*refrain*)

Who can stop the Lord Almighty? (*repeat*)
Who can stop the Lord?

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Collect of the Day

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

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

Hearing God's Word

First Reading

Acts 1:1-14

1. In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, 2. until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. 3. He presented himself alive to them after his suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. 4. And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, "you heard from me; 5. for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." 6. So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" 7. He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. 8. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." 9. And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. 10. And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, 11. and said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." 12. Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. 13. And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip

and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. 14. All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers. (ESV)

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 47

1. O clap your hands together, all you peoples; *
 O cry aloud unto God with shouts of joy.
2. For the Lord Most High is to be feared; *
 he is the great King over all the earth.
3. He shall subdue the peoples under us, *
 and the nations under our feet.
4. He shall choose our inheritance for us, *
 the pride of Jacob whom he loved.
5. God has gone up with a shout of triumph, *
 the Lord with the sound of the trumpet.
6. O sing praises, sing praises unto our God; *
 O sing praises, sing praises unto our King.
7. For God is the King of all the earth; *
 think upon his mighty acts and praise him with a song.
8. God reigns over the nations; *
 God sits on his holy throne.
9. The princes of the peoples are gathered with the people
 of the God of Abraham; *

for the mighty upon earth have become the servants
of the Lord, and he is very highly exalted.

Epistle

1 Peter 4:12-19

12. Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. **13.** But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. **14.** If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. **15.** But let none of you suffer as a murderer or a thief or an evildoer or as a meddler. **16.** Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in that name. **17.** For it is time for judgment to begin at the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God? **18.** And "If the righteous is scarcely saved, what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?" **19.** Therefore let those who suffer according to God's will entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good. (ESV)

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People ***Thanks be to God.***

Sequence Hymn

1. Alleluia! sing to Jesus!
his the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph,

his the victory alone;
Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion
thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation
hath redeemed us by his blood.

2. Alleluia! not as orphans
are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! he is near us,
faith believes, nor questions how:
though the cloud from sight received him,
when the forty days were o'er,
shall our hearts forget his promise,
"I am with you evermore"?

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Holy Gospel

John 17:1-11

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to
John.

People ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

1. When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, **2.** since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. **3.** And this is eternal life, that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. **4.** I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you

Prayers of the People *(Please be seated unless you desire to remain standing)*

Following each petition:

Litanist Lord, in your mercy,
People **hear our prayer.**

Concluding Prayer

Celebrant Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Confession and Absolution of Sin

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God. *(Silence)*

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.

The Celebrant pronounces the Absolution over the People. (People stand)

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Comfortable Words

Here the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16

Celebrating God's Peace in Our Lives

Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And with your spirit.**

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

Sharing What God Has Given to Us

Offertory Air

King of glory, King of peace

D. C. Walker

Doxology

Celebrant Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the Kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as Head above all. All things come from you, O Lord,

People ***And of your own have we given you.***

1 Chronicles 29:11, 14

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Receiving the Body and Blood of Jesus

Great Thanksgiving (*Remain standing*)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People ***And with your spirit.***

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People ***We lift them up to the Lord.***

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People ***It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

The Celebrant continues

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through your dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who after his most glorious resurrection appeared to his Apostles, and in their sight ascended into heaven to prepare a place for us; that where he is, there we might also ascend, and reign with him in glory.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People sing

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven and
earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he

became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, * and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me.”

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *Amen.*

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

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.

The Fraction

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

Spiritual Communion

Dear Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Communion. I love you above all things, and I desire to possess you within my soul. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself with you, together with all your faithful people gathered around every altar of your Church, and I embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Never permit me to be separated from you. *Amen.*

The Ministration of Communion

The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Communion Music

1.

We will glorify the King of kings; we will glorify the Lamb.
We will glorify the Lord of lords, who is the great I AM.

Hallelujah to the King of kings, hallelujah to the Lamb.
Hallelujah to the Lord of lords, who is the great I AM.

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2.

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high; I will praise Him.
He is exalted, forever exalted, and I will praise His Name!
He is the Lord, forever his truth shall reign;
heaven and earth rejoice in His holy Name.
He is exalted, the King is exalted on high.

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3.

You are Lord of creation and Lord of my life,
Lord of the land and the sea.
You were Lord of the heavens before there was time,
and Lord of all lords You will be.
We bow down and we worship You, Lord, *(repeat)*
Lord of all lords You will be.

You are King of creation and King of my life,
King of the land and the sea.
You were King of the heavens before there was time,
and King of all kings You will be.
We bow down and we crown You the King, *(repeat)*
King of all kings you will be.

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Going Forth to Serve the Lord

The Post-Communion Prayer

Celebrant Standing, let us pray.

Heavenly Father, We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal Kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia.

People ***Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.***

Voluntary

Toccata in F

D. Buxtehude

Worship Team

Deacon: Kim Allen
Usbers: Jim Reamy, III, Fred Malik, Chuck Shippee, Walt Nelson
EMs: Donna Maingot, Mary Margaret Hatch, Debra Gordon, Roxane Edwards
Lector: Eleanor Dixon
Altar Guild: Carol Pearson, Joy Jarvi
Welcome Team: Rawleigh Tremain, Sally Wilkins
Organist: Brady Johnson
Praise Band: Kay Blossom, Connie Boyter, Earle Boyter, Joe Clark, Nelson Domacasse, Robert Kerstein, Jeff Spotts, Warren Williams
Choir: Betty Bankert, Helen Boissevain, Bob Casper (*Offertory soloist*), Ginny Dent, Mary Earman, Roxane Edwards, Charles Hansen, Jr., Lolly Mills, Pam Nettune, Lois Okaily, Ruth Olsen, Rudolf Radocy, Wanda Lathom-Radocy, Andrea Royce, Daniel Royce, Karen Schwanz, Paul Skaggs, Jeff Spotts, Debra Watkins, Harriet Yemm
Audio-Visual: John Allen, Tom Stull, Brian Van Nest, Keith Vittitoe, Mike Von Laufen, Patti Von Laufen

CHURCH LEADERSHIP

Lord, Savior and Chief Shepherd Jesus Christ

Ministers Every Member of Christ Church

Clergy and Staff

Keith Allen, *Rector*

Kim Allen, *Deacon**

Brady Johnson, *Organist/ Choirmaster*

Bruce Gammell, *Director of Children & Family Ministries*

Debra Gordon, *Director of Church & Com. Relations*

Stephanie Toperzer, *Parish Secretary*

Michael Pitman, *Sexton*

Lois Okaily, *Receptionist**

Betty Dexter, *Assistant Bookkeeper**

Laura Augustine, *TOTS Teaching Team**

Kelly Crosby, *TOTS Teaching Team**

Heather Gibbs, *TOTS Teaching Team**

Jessica Humeny, *TOTS Teaching Team**

Tami Jones, *TOTS Teaching Team**

Nancy Lilley, *TOTS Teaching Team**

Ann Mathis, *TOTS Teaching Team**

Danielle McLean, *TOTS Teaching Team**

Audra Reeder, *TOTS Teaching Team**

Katheryn Smith, *TOTS Teaching Team**

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Sheryl Vittitoe, *Treasurer*

Garry Edwards

John Hurst

Judi O'Steen

Announcements and Information

May 24 - May 30, 2020

CONNECT WITH CHRIST CHURCH

We are glad you're here! Please use the **Connect Card** located in the chair pocket in front of you to let us know you're visiting, and/or how we can serve your needs, to sign up for a class or event, request a clergy appointment, or send a personal comment. Our Intercessory Prayer Team meets on Tuesday mornings and uses the requests and thanksgivings you provide on the **Prayer Cards**, also located in the chair pocket. Please place your card(s) in the offering plate or in the grey basket on the Welcome Desk. We look forward to serving you in person or in prayer.

CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES

The Children's Ministry area is located in the administrative wing across from the church office. We are currently staffed and equipped to provide childcare for children infant to toddler in the Peek-a-Book Zoo and ages 5-10 in the Treehouse.

Our infant nursery is equipped for newborns and toddlers and includes a private, comfortable area for nursing mothers.

In the event of an emergency, children and infants will be evacuated from the office onto the playground at the south end of the building. Staff will maintain supervision and safety inside the fenced area until the parents arrive.

RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Receive the communion wafer in your palm, consume it, then guide the base of the chalice to your lips to sip the wine. Return to your seat after the person on your left has received the chalice. If you do not wish to drink from the chalice, leave the wafer in the palm of your hand and the Eucharistic Minister will dip the wafer into the wine and administer it to you. If you wish to come forward and receive a blessing only, cross your arms over your chest and the priest will bless you. Return to your seat when the person on your left has received the chalice.

CONTACT US

If you need additional information, the office is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. We are here to assist you. Feel free to stop in or call 772-562-8670. Most staff may be contacted via email by: 1st initial and last name @christchurchvero.org.

SUNDAY ATTENDANCE

Total attendance for 10:30 a.m. Eucharist Service on 5/17/2020: 54

The Church Office will be closed tomorrow, Monday, May 25, in observance of Memorial Day.

Anglicans for Life: Anglicans for Life at Christ Church wants you to know there is support available for you, or someone you know, who is pregnant and needs help. CareNet, a local pregnancy resource center, can be reached at 772-569-7939. Help 24/7 is also available at Optionline.org, or 800-712-4357 or by sending a text message to 313131.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday 10:30 a.m., Classic Worship
Thursday 10:00 a.m., Healing Service with Holy Communion

BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGES

BAPTISMS Contact the Parish Secretary 60 days in advance of the Baptism to set up an appointment with the Rector.

MARRIAGES Contact the Parish Secretary at least four months in advance of your proposed wedding date to set up an appointment with a Priest.

Prayer for the Sick

Christ Church continues to pray for all those that are sick and hurting and ask that through the week, you continue to pray by saying: *We humbly ask you, gracious Lord, to comfort and strengthen all those who, in this earthly life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially:*

Fred Addison	Lynn Hall	Irwin Prager
Micah Baker	Elaine Hameister	Laura Psaric
Barry Barnard	Dawn Hill	Jayne Purcell
Alanah Bass	Pat Knisely	Steve Rennick
Jeanne Browning	Dan Malik	Ashley Stock
Jason Corrigan	Paul Miller	Gail View
Ginny Dent	Dorothy Nuss	Steve Wiggins
Bill Earman	Ann Pettys	

Prayers for Missionaries

Christ Church actively sponsors the following International Missionaries. We invite your continuing prayers in support of their faithful ministry in our Lord's name:

Alison Barfoot, Global Ministries, Uganda
Russ and Marcia Baugh, Every Child Ministries, Uganda
Loren and Linda Fox, Global TEAM, Thailand and China
Naomi Hamilton Jensen, Safe Refuge International, Philippines
Matt and Katie Riley, Alongside Ministries International, France
Fr. Chris Royer, Anglican Frontier Ministries, Middle East
Etzer Thomas, Foundation Mom Prince Thomas, Haiti
Our sister serving in Southeast Asia

Christ Church prays for the success and safety of the men and women bearing arms against terrorism. We have listed below the names of those persons known to us who are serving in this role. We ask for your special prayers for them and for their families, both at our Sunday services and throughout the week. Because the list is lengthy, we will not pray for each person by name out loud during the services, but they and their families are included in our prayers:

Daniel Ames	John Guthmann	Ryan Raffensburger
Jessica Ames	Joseph Guthmann	Christina P. Remmert
Chris Boltz	Brian Hart	David Rosanes
Matthew Buehrig	Regan Jones	Bryce Saint-Vincent
Michael Buehrig	Martha Kester	Eric Schneider
Tim Buehrig	***Dale Kridlo	David Segalla
Kendra Cagniart	Garrett Kulczycki	Marten Sentance
Pierre Cagniart	Rodger Lemon	Melinda Sentance
David Carter	Jeremy McCall	Dylan Sjogren
****Jonathan Clement	Richmond McCloud	Aaron Spera
Vetson Derisse	*Trane McCloud	Ben Spera
Wyatt Dillon	Hunter McDaniel	George Voyles
Doug Fritz	**Andrew McNair, Jr.	Joshua White
Michael Gallahue	Evan Mustapick	Alexander Wise
Brianna Gomez	John Pitta	Erika Wise
Caleb Guthmann	Justine Iacono Proctor	Keith Zeuner
David Guthmann	Mike Proctor	Alex Zook

*Died in the war zone in Iraq, December, 2006.

**Died in the war zone in Afghanistan, 2008.

***Died in the war zone in Afghanistan, November, 2010.

****Died in training, July 2018