

# CHRIST CHURCH

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CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, NEWTON

The Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 9, 2024

8:00 & 10:00 am

*\*omitted at 8:00 am*

*As we prepare our hearts and minds for worship, please keep conversations to a minimum.*

\*Prelude Hymn to Joy Thomas Keesecker

\*Hymn in Procession #680 O God our help in ages past St. Anne  
Descant: Merritt Ierley

**Opening Acclamation**

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

*Celebrant* 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.**

**A Song of Praise: Canticle 13** Glory to God 8 am: spoken; 10 am: Hymnal # S236

**Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; you are worthy of praise; glory to you.**

**Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name;**

**we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.**

**Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.**

**Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim;**

**we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.**

**Glory to you, beholding the depths; in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.**

**Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;**

**we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.**

**The Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray. O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## The First Lesson

Genesis 3:8-15

They heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate." The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel."

Reader            The Word of the Lord.

People            Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 130

8 am: spoken; 10 am: led by the cantor



With the Lord there is mer—cy;    with him there is plen-teous re-demp—tion.

- 1     Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice; \*  
      let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.    [ANTIPHON]
- 2     If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, \*  
      O Lord, who could stand?
- 3     For there is forgiveness with you; \*  
      therefore you shall be feared.                                    [ANTIPHON]
- 4     I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; \*  
      in his word is my hope.
- 5     My soul waits for the Lord, more than watchmen for the morning, \*  
      more than watchmen for the morning.                            [ANTIPHON]

6 O Israel, wait for the Lord, \*  
for with the Lord there is mercy;  
7 With him there is plenteous redemption, \*  
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

[ANTIPHON]

### The Second Lesson

2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture - "I believed, and so I spoke" - we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

\*Sequence Hymn #533

How wondrous and great thy works

Lyons

\*The Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Verse Show me your way, O Lord; \* lead me in your truth and teach me.

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

### The Holy Gospel

Mark 3:20-35

The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his disciples could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out

of his mind.” And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, “He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.” And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered. “Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin”— for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.” Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.” And he replied, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” And looking at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”

*Priest*                    The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*                    **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon**

The Rev. Chris Streeter

## The Nicene Creed

*Please stand.*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## The Prayers of the People

*Please stand or kneel*

Confident in God's steadfast love through Jesus Christ and guided by the Holy Spirit, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence*

God of wisdom, guide your church into all truth. Remind us that what unites us is greater than that which divides us. Help us be a light to the world, a true reflection of your grace to all people.

**God of love, hear our prayer.**

We give thanks for the gift of your good creation, and for the joy and love which surrounds us on every side. As we live into these summer months, grant us times of rest and refreshment that our minds, our bodies, and our souls may be turned toward you.

**God of love, hear our prayer.**

We give you thanks for the gift of this church family: the joy we share with each other in times of celebration, and the support we offer each other in times of challenge and sorrow. Guide us as we continue to live out our call to love you, love our neighbors and love ourselves.

**God of love, hear our prayer.**

We rejoice with those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week. Fill them with light and love, and make them a blessing to those around them.

**God of love, hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who are ill or under great stress, including those on our prayer list, and all whose struggles are known to you alone. Surround them with your care and restore them to health and wholeness in your good time and way.

**God of love, hear our prayer.**

We pray for all those whom we love, but see no longer, including Virginia Richardson and Adele Bastinck, whose funerals were held this week. Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord. Make your light to shine upon them and grant them peace.

**God of love, hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.*

### **The Confession of Sin & Absolution**

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*A period of silence is kept, ended by the Celebrant.*

**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 Peace**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**



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**\*Offertory**

A Gaelic Blessing

Sarah MacDonald

*May the road rise up to meet you,  
may the wind be always at your back,  
may the sun shine warm upon your face  
and the rains fall soft upon your fields,  
and until we meet again,  
may God hold you in the palm of his hands.*

Traditional Irish Blessing

**\*The Doxology**

Hymnal #380, vs 3

**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.**



# The Holy Communion Eucharistic Prayer A

*Celebrant*    *People*  
The Lord be with you.    And al - so with you.

*Celebrant*    *People*  
Lift up your hearts.    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.



*Celebrant*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

**Sanctus and Benedictus**

*8 am: spoken; 10 am: S-125*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

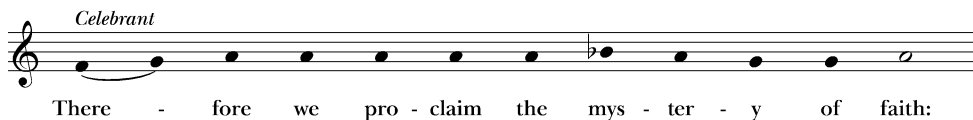
**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

*Celebrant*    Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: 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 for the remembrance of me."



*Celebrant* We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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 forever.

*People*            **AMEN.**

## The Lord's Prayer

*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
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

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

8am: *Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.  
*People* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

10 am:

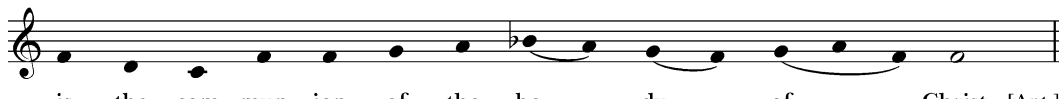
## \*Fraction Anthem



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.



1. The bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia,



is the com - mun - ion of the bo - dy of Christ. [Ant.]



2. One bo - dy are we, al - le - lu - ia,



for though man - y we share one bread. [Ant.]

## All are welcome at God's Table

Please come forward, at the direction of the ushers. The bread is received in the open palm. Gluten-free wafers are available by asking the priest. The wine, if desired, may be taken from the common cup by drinking (placing your hand gently on the base of the chalice to guide it). If you do not wish to receive communion, you may cross your arms over your chest and receive a blessing from the priest.

\*Communion Prière Alexandre Guillmant

\*Communion Hymn #318 Here, O My Lord, I see thee face to face Nyack

Thanksgiving after Communion Please stand or kneel

Celebrant Let us pray.

People Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### The Blessing

\*Closing Hymn #620 Jerusalem, my happy home Land of Rest

### The Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

\*The Voluntary Fugato in e minor, BWV 962 J. S. Bach

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## Serving in God's House Today

**8:00 am**

Lector: Katie Reilly

L.E.M.: MaryAnn Risley

Usher: Mike Ragsdale

**10:00 am**

Crucifer: Josh Szelstra

Lectors: Alex Zander, Cecelia Clayton,  
Tracy Zillmer

L.E.M.: MaryAnn Risley

Ushers: Diana Riker & John Jaqueth

## Joining us in worship & fellowship on June 2, 2024

8:00 am: 29

10:00 am: 102

## Christ Church Prayer List

**For those who are ill:** Guenter, Jennifer, Joyce, Dawn, Bart, Jeanne, Lorraine, Kevin, Jane, Ryan Al, Susan, Joseph and Diana

**For those with child:** Jessica, Meredith

**For those serving in the armed forces:** Parker, Dean, Michael, Angel and Nicholas.

**We rejoice with...** Antonio Sebastiano, Michele Wiebel, Greg Kelsey and all who are celebrating their birthdays this week. Also with Dustin & Cate Terwilliger on their anniversary.

*Please note: our prayer list is edited quarterly, to help ensure that it is kept timely. We are happy to return any names to our list and continue our prayers for them.*

*Please contact Karrie Miller in the church office to have names added or removed from our prayer list.*

## A Prayer of Thanksgiving for our Sunday School Teachers

*Almighty God, we come to you today and give thanks for all our teachers.*

*Thank you for the way in which they give of themselves each week,  
serving and instructing the next generation of this parish family.*

*Fill them with your strength,  
so they may rise to every challenge and not grow weary.*

*Fill them with your wisdom,  
so that they may practice good judgment when guiding and helping our students.*

*Fill them with your peace,  
so that when stress and anxiety comes, it would not overwhelm them.*

*Fill them with your joy,  
so that the passion they have for sharing the stories of our faith  
may continue to inspire and model the love of Christ.*



**Christ Church Calendar: Week of June 9, 2024**

- Sunday June 9 - The Third Sunday after Pentecost  
8 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II, spoken)  
9 am Adult Bible Study & Journey  
9:30 am Sunday School  
10 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II, with music)  
**Coffee & Fellowship Following**  
11:45 am Sunday Brunch in a Bag
- Monday June 10 (*Church Office Hours: 8am to 1pm*)
- Tuesday June 11 (*Church Office Hours: 8 am to 1 pm*)  
5 pm Pathways to Prosperity
- Wednesday June 12 (*Church Office Hours: 8 am to 1 pm*)
- Thursday June 13 (*Church Office Hours: 8am to 12 pm*)  
11:30 am Christ Church in Stitches
- Saturday June 15  
10am NJ Literacy
- Sunday June 16 - The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost  
8 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II, spoken)  
9 am Adult Bible Study  
10 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II, with music)  
**Coffee & Fellowship Following**  
11:45 am Sunday Brunch in a Bag

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