

Christ Episcopal Church, Newton

The Episcopal Church in the heart of Sussex County

Life is Short

We do not have much time
to gladden the hearts
of those who walk
the way with us.

So let us be quick
to Love
and let us make haste
to be Kind.

And the blessing of
God Almighty,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
be with you this day
and remain with you always.

Amen.

A Celebration of New Ministry &
The Welcoming of a New Rector
Saturday, October 18, 2025
10:00 am

WORDS OF WELCOME & GRATITUDE

Dear family & friends of Christ Church,

Welcome on this festive day in the life of our parish. For the 20th time in the 256-year history of this church, we gather together to formally welcome a new Rector.

We take stock on this day of the generations who have called this congregation their spiritual home, have used this holy place to deepen their faith in Christ, and have reached out in love to the community beyond these walls. Today we honor those saints who have come before us and, through their good stewardship, passed the precious gift of this parish to us.

I am grateful on this day to join the cloud of Christ Church witnesses: past, present, and yet to come. Thank you for the blessing of helping lead such a vibrant community into its next chapter.

With gratitude and affection,



The Rev. Chris Streeter, Rector

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

Bishop & Celebrant
New Rector & Preacher
Bishop's Chaplain & Minister of Ceremonies
Assisting Clergy

Deacon
Director of Music
Organist
Musicians
Crucifer
Acolytes
Banner Bearer
Litanist
Lectors
Chalice Bearer
Ushers

Flowers
Altar Guild

The Rt. Rev. Carlye J. Hughes
The Rev. Christopher M. Streeter
The Rev. Canon Andrew Wright, Th.D
The Rev. Dr. Patricia Lyons, The Rev. Randy Parks
The Rev. Candace Sandfort, The Rev. Jenny Streeter
The Rev. Jeanette Hile
Joseph Mello
Diana Greene
The Choir of Christ Church
Brad Hodgins
Josh Szelesta & Tracy Zillmer
Mark Hoyer
Lori Parks
Alex Zander & Walter Kiechel
Mitch Hillard
Randy Curie, Mark Dubel,
Pauline Josephs, Kurt Lutz
Christ Church Flower Team
Christ Church Altar Guild

Prelude

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

arr. Maureen Howell

Hymn in Procession

The Church's One Foundation

Aurelia

1 The Church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ her Lord;
2 E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der we see her sore op - pressed,
4 Mid toil and tri - bu - la - tion, and tu - mult of her war
5 Yet she on earth hath un - ion with God, the Three in One,

1 she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word:
2 her char - ter of sal - va - tion, one Lord, one faith, one birth;
3 by schi - sms rent a - sun - der, by her - e - sies dis - tressed;
4 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for ev - er - more;
5 and mys - tic sweet com - mun - ion with those whose rest is won.

1 from heaven he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
2 one ho - ly Name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
3 yet saints their watch are keep - ing, their cry goes up, "How long?"
4 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blessed,
5 O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we

1 with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
2 and to one hope she press - es, with ev - ery grace en - dued.
3 and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
4 and the great Church vic - to - rious shall be the Church at rest.
5 like them, the meek and low - ly, on high may dwell with thee.

Opening Acclamation

Bishop Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**
Bishop There is one Body and one Spirit;
People **There is one hope in God's call to us;**
Bishop One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People **One God and Father of all.**

The Collect of the Day

Bishop The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Bishop Let us pray. O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Congregation may please be seated.

A Song of Praise

Let Heavenly Music Fill This Place Gordon Young
*Let heavenly music fill this place and all the harmonies of heaven be heard;
let one grand song of praise resound, one alleluia!*
*Let mighty organs peal and roll and choirs invisible be heard;
let anthems grand now thrill my soul, one alleluia!*
*O may we join the heavenly choir that through the ages will sing on;
in praise to Father and to Son, one alleluia!*

The Institution

The Wardens, Vestry members and new Rector stand before the Bishop.

Bishop People of Christ Church, you have reflected on your ministry and discerned your choice for a new Rector.
Wardens & Vestry We have chosen and called Christopher Michael Streeter to be our Rector, and he has accepted.
Bishop I commend your choice and affirm this call.

The Letter of Institution is read.

Bishop Chris, do you, in the presence of this congregation, commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility?
New Rector I do.

Bishop Are you, the people of Christ Church, ready to continue in your ministry, with Chris as your Rector?
People **We are.**

A Bible is presented to the new Rector.

Leader Chris, with this Bible we proclaim and hear God's living Word. Join us in the ministry of telling the Good News to the World.
New Rector Amen. Let us hear again the Good News of salvation.

The First Lesson

Isaiah 55:1-9

Hear, everyone who thirsts; come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread and your earnings for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. Now you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you. Seek the Lord while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

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

The Psalter: Psalm 23

The Lord is my Shepherd
Solo: Jessica Caruso, soprano

Howard Goodall

*The Lord is my shepherd I shall not want,
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures,
He leadeth me beside the still waters.*

*Surely goodness and mercy,
shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.*

*Yea though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil, For you are with me, You will comfort me.*

Forever.

The Second Lesson

Ephesians 4:7, 11-16

Each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. He himself granted that some are apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming; but speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

Love divine, all loves excelling

Hyfrydol

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cell - ing, joy of heaven, to
2 Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er, let us all thy
3 Fi - nish then thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less

earth come down, fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy
life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -

faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - way bless - ing,
ly re - stored in thee: changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our



The Gospel Acclamation



Verse "This is my commandment, * that you love one another as I have loved you".

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

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

The Holy Gospel

John 15:9-16

Jesus said, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing, but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me, but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name".

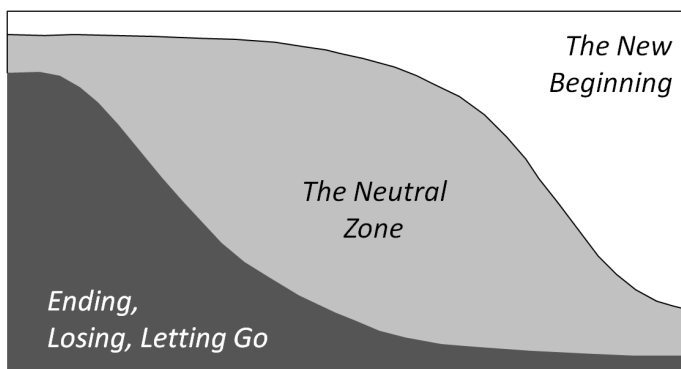
Clergy The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Chris Streeter



William Bridges Transition Model

Sermon Anthem

Come to the Water

Music: Cary Ratcliff
Text: John B. Foley

*O let all who thirst, let them come to the water.
And let all who have nothing, let them come to the Lord.
Let them come to the Lord without money, without price.
Why should you pay the price, except for the Lord?*

*And let all who seek, let them come to the water.
And let all who have nothing, let them come to the Lord.
Let them come to the Lord without money, without strife.
Why should you spend your life, except for the Lord?*

*And let all who toil, let them come to the water,
And let all who are weary, let them come to the Lord.
Let them come to the Lord, all who labor without rest.
How can your soul find rest, except for the Lord?*

*And let all the poor, let them come to the water.
Bring the ones who are laden, bring them all to the Lord.
Bring them all to the Lord, bring the children without might.
Easy the load and light, O come to the Lord.*

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Please stand

Bishop Chris; people of Christ Church: in Holy Baptism we received full adoption through God's grace and full empowerment for ministry through the Holy Spirit. Will you work together as partners in the mission of the Church, to reconcile all people to God through Christ?

*People &
Rector*

We will, with God's help.

Bishop The water of baptism signifies our eternal covenant with God. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to Christ, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

The Bishop blesses the water.

Bishop We pray you, O God, sanctify this water by the power of your Holy Spirit, that all who in baptism are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

Bishop Let us renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we renounce Satan and all his works, and promise to serve God faithfully in God's holy Catholic Church.

Bishop Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?
People **I do.**

Bishop Do you believe in God the Father?
People **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Bishop Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
People **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.**

Bishop Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
People **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.**

Rector Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?
People **I will, with God's help.**

Rector Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
People **I will, with God's help.**

Rector Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
People **I will, with God's help.**

Rector Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
People **I will, with God's help.**

Rector Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
People **I will, with God's help.**

Rector May Almighty God, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, and called us to ministry in Jesus Christ, keep us in eternal life by his grace; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Bishop & Rector asperge (sprinkle the water of baptism) on the Congregation during the singing of the hymn.

Hymn at the Asperges

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Nettleton

1 Come, thou fount of ev - ery bless - ing, tune my
2 Here I find my great - est trea - sure; hith - er,
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly

heart to sing thy grace! Streams of mer - cy nev - er
by thy help, I've come; and I hope, by thy good
I'm con - strained to be! Let thy good - ness, like a

ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
fet - ter, bind my wan - dering heart to thee:

Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by
Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger wan - dering
prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to

flam - ing tongues a - bove. Praise the mount! Oh, fix me
from the fold of God; he, to res - cue me from
leave the God I love; here's my heart, oh, take and

on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.
dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

A symbol of prayer is presented to the new Rector.

Leader Chris, with this book we offer our prayers, intercessions and thanksgivings to God.
Rector Amen. In the Spirit of God, who searches the heart and knows our deepest needs,
let us pray for the Church, the world, and all who yearn for Christ's healing.

A Litany of Thanksgiving for a Church

Please stand or kneel

Leader Let us thank God whom we worship here in the beauty of holiness.

Eternal God, the heavens cannot contain you, much less the walls of temples made with hands. Graciously receive our thanks for this place, and accept the work of our hands, offered to your honor and glory.

For the Church universal, of which these walls are a visible symbol,

People **We thank you, Lord.**

For your presence whenever two or three have gathered together in your Name,

People **We thank you, Lord.**

For this place where we may be still and know that you are God,

People **We thank you, Lord.**

For making us your children by adoption and grace, and refreshing us day by day with the bread of life.

People **We thank you, Lord.**

For the knowledge of your will and the grace to perform it,

People **We thank you, Lord.**

For the fulfilling of our desires and petitions as you see best for us,

People **We thank you, Lord.**

For the pardon of our sins, which restores us to the company of your faithful people,

People **We thank you, Lord.**

For the blessing of our vows and the crowning of our years with your goodness,

People **We thank you, Lord.**

For the faith of those who have gone before us and for our encouragement by their perseverance,

People **We thank you, Lord.**

For the fellowship of all your Saints: past, present, and yet to come,

People **We thank you, Lord.**

After a brief silence, the Bishop concludes with the following

Bishop Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty;

People **For everything in heaven and on earth is yours.**

Bishop Yours, O Lord, is the kingdom;

People **And you are exalted as head over all. Amen.**

A Sign of Shared Ministry

The Wardens, on behalf of the parish, offer a sign of shared ministry to the new Rector.

The Welcoming of the New Rector

The Bishop invites the Rector's family to join him, and presents them to the parish.

Bishop People of Christ Church, greet your new Rector.

The Peace

*Rector The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.*

Welcome & Announcements

*To make a donation to support the mission and ministry of Christ Church,
please visit www.christchurchnewton.org and click on the "Make a Contribution" tab.*

*Scan the QR Code with your phone and you will be directed to our online giving portal.
Today's offering will support new initiatives of the parish.*



A Lay Eucharistic Minister addresses the new Rector.

*Leader Chris, when we share the bread and the cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.
Join us at God's table to offer and bless our gifts of bread and wine.
Rector Amen. Together, let us keep the feast.*

Offertory Anthem

*O Sing to the Lord a New Song
Solo: John Beasley, baritone*

Healey Willan

<i>O sing to the Lord a new song, For He has done marvelous things. With his own right hand and with His holy arm Has He promised Himself the victory. Alleluia!</i>	<i>With a voice of singing declare ye this And let it be known, Utter it even unto the ends of the world. The Lord hath delivered His people.</i>
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<i>It behoveth Christ to suffer and to rise again from the dead: And so to enter into his glory. Alleluia! Christ being raised from the dead Dieth no more, death hath no more Dominion over Him. Alleluia!</i>	<i>O be joyful in God, all ye lands. O sing praises to the honor of His Name. Make His praise to be glorious. Alleluia! Amen.</i>
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The Doxology

Please stand

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 B

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



Bishop It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth.

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 & Benedictus

Schubert/Proulx

A musical score for the Sanctus and Benedictus. It consists of three systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are". The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with many whole and half notes. There are some rests and ties in the melody. The lyrics are placed below the corresponding notes.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bishop We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

<i>Bishop and People</i>	We remember his death,
	We proclaim his resurrection,
	We await his coming in glory;

Bishop And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.**

The Lord's Prayer

Bishop 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Fraction

<i>Bishop</i>	Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
<i>People</i>	Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Bishop The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are welcome at God's Table

All members of God's household 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 clergy. 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 clergy.

Communion

The Call

arr. Daniel Burton

Communion

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind (*Repton*)

arr. Charles Callahan

Communion Anthem

River In Judea

arr. John Leavitt

Oftentimes I dream of music
Of the river that freely flows.
And it sings a song sweeter than honey,
one everybody knows.

I believe it keeps on travellin'
But it rests on the Sabbath day.
And the time when it pauses in stillness,
I almost hear it pray.

Late at night I hear it singing
Then again when I wake at dawn.
And it fills me up with hope and good will
the will to go on.....go on

When I'm weary and down hearted,
how I long for the song it sings,
for the calm within its gentle blue,
the peace that it brings

Chorus:
There is a river in Judea
that I heard of long ago.
And it's a singing, ringing river
that my soul cries out to know.

Chorus (repeat)

May the time not be too distant
When we meet by the river shore.
'Til then dream of that wonderful day
As we sing once more, once more

Final Chorus (repeat)

The Postcommunion Prayer

Please stand or kneel

Bishop

Let us pray.

People

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the holy food of the Body and Blood of your Son, and for uniting us through him in the fellowship of your Holy Spirit. We thank you for raising up among us faithful servants for the ministry of your Word and Sacraments. We pray that Chris may be to us an effective example in word and action, in love and patience, and in holiness of life. Grant that we, with him, may serve you now, and always rejoice in your glory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Bishop

We have celebrated this new pastoral relationship in the great prayer of the Church.

Chris, I commend to your love and care the people of Christ Church.

My brothers and sisters in Christ, I commend to your love and care your new Rector, colleague and friend, Chris.

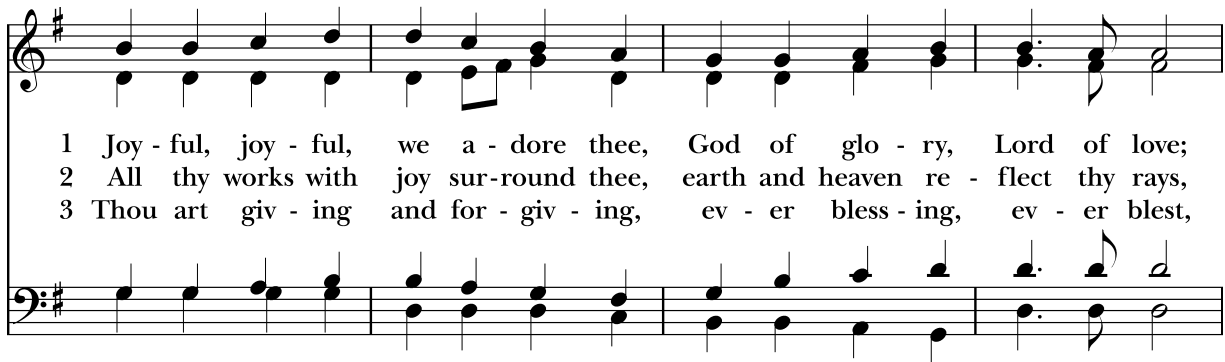
The Bishop invites the new Rector to offer a blessing.

The Blessing

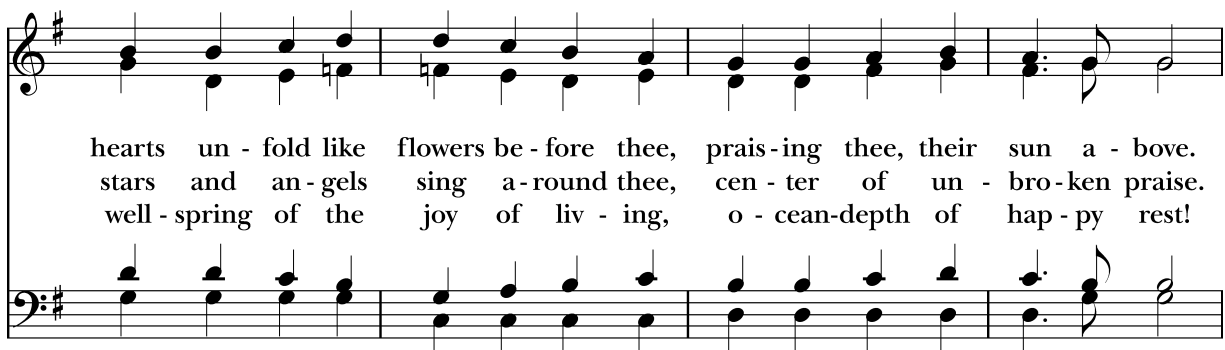
The Closing Hymn

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee

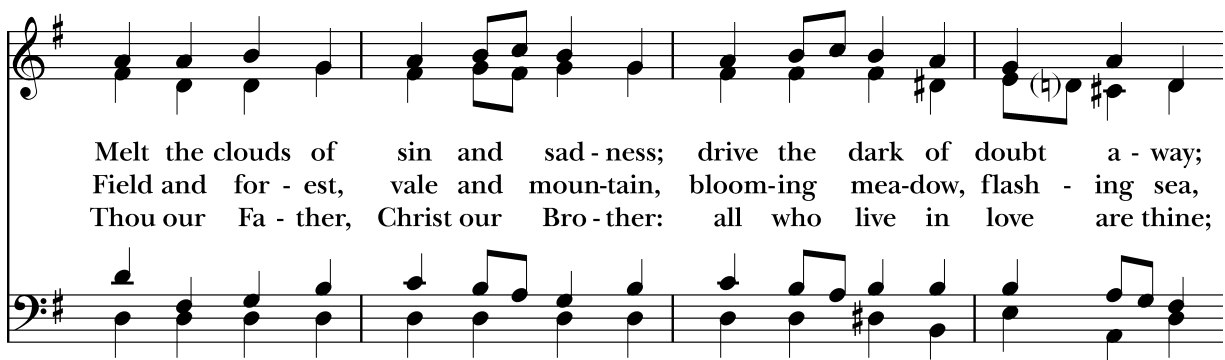
Hymn to Joy



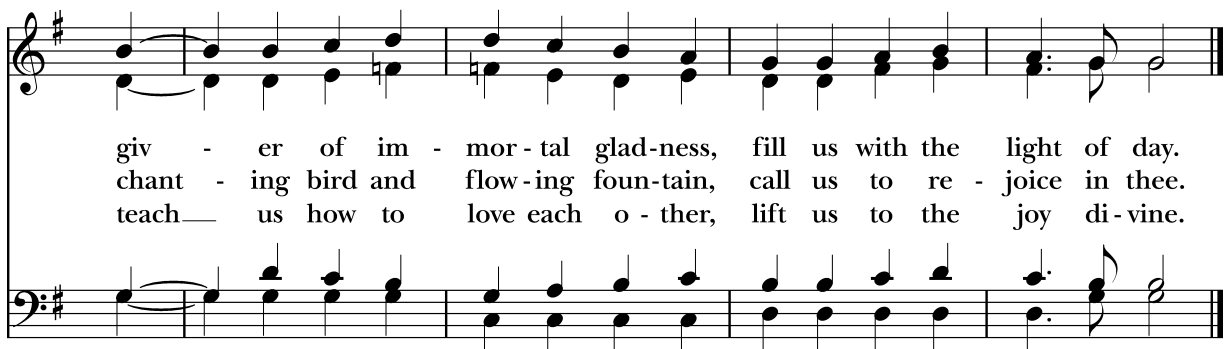
1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;
2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee, earth and heaven re - flect thy rays,
3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,



hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore thee, prais-ing thee, their sun a - bove.
stars and an - gels sing a-round thee, cen - ter of un - bro-ken praise.
well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean-depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness; drive the dark of doubt a - way;
Field and for - est, vale and moun-tain, bloom-ing mea-dow, flash - ing sea,
Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our Bro - ther: all who live in love are thine;



giv - er of im - mor-tal glad-ness, fill us with the light of day.
chant - ing bird and flow-ing foun-tain, call us to re - joice in thee.
teach— us how to love each o - ther, lift us to the joy di-vine.

The Dismissal

Clergy Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.
People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

The Voluntary

Prelude in F Major

Fanny (Hensel) Mendelssohn

Our celebration continues with a festive luncheon in Holley Hall.

*Our meal has been prepared by the students and faculty of Arbor Restaurant,
part of the culinary center at Sussex County Community College.*

*Many thanks to the generous members of our community
who have contributed to offset the cost of this day's festivities.*

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Don't Hesitate

Mary Oliver (1935-2019)

If you suddenly and unexpectedly feel joy,
don't hesitate. Give in to it. There are plenty
of lives and whole towns destroyed or about
to be. We are not wise, and not very often
kind. And much can never be redeemed.
Still, life has some possibility left. Perhaps this
is its way of fighting back, that sometimes
something happens better than all the riches
or power in the world. It could be anything,
but very likely you notice it in the instant
when love begins. Anyway, that's often the
case. Anyway, whatever it is, don't be afraid
of its plenty. Joy is not made to be a crumb.



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