

CHRIST CHURCH

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CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, NEWTON

The Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 12, 2024

8:00 & 10:00 am – Holy Eucharist

**omitted at 8:00 am*

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

*Prelude	Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise	Daniel Burton
*Hymn in Procession #494	Crown Him with many crowns	Diademata
*Introit	The Blessing of a Mother's Love <i>Junior Choir</i>	Becki Slago Mayo

*A mother's love is always near,
To share my joy, to dry my tears.
Her loving care helps me to see
That God will always comfort me.
I offer praise to God above
For the blessing of a mother's love.*

*A mother's love and gentle smile
Can help me walk the longest mile.
And though the road my twist and turn,
She always helps me grow and learn.
I offer praise to God above
For the blessing of the mother's love.*

*I pray that God will guide my way
And help me every day
To show God's love in all I do,
And show that I love you.*

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

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.**

Gloria

8 am: spoken; 10 am: Hymnal # S-278

Glory to God in the highest and peace to his people on earth.

**Lord God, heavenly King, Almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God.
You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us;**

You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

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.**

The Congregation may please be seated.

The First Lesson

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, "Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus- for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry. So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us- one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**



God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of the ram's-horn.

- 1 Clap your hands, all you peoples; *
shout to God with a cry of joy.
- 2 For the Lord Most High is to be feared; *
he is the great King over all the earth. [ANTIPHON]
- 5 God has gone up with a shout, *
the Lord with the sound of the ram's-horn.
- 6 Sing praises to God, sing praises; *
sing praises to our King, sing praises. [ANTIPHON]
- 7 For God is King of all the earth; *
sing praises with all your skill.
- 8 God reigns over the nations; *
God sits upon his holy throne. [ANTIPHON]

The Second Lesson

1 John 5:9-13

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

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

*Sequence Hymn #460

Alleluia, sing to Jesus (omit *verses)

Hyfrydol

***The Gospel Acclamation**



Al-le-lu-ia, al-le -lu -ia, al-le -lu-ia.

Cantor *Go and make disciples of all nations; * I am with you always, to the close of the age.*
Clergy The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The Holy Gospel

John 17:6-19

Jesus prayed for his disciples, “I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.”

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Chris Streater

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

Rejoicing in the Resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence

We give you thanks for the splendor of this earth, the warmth of the sun and beauty which surrounds us on every side. We pray that you will give us wisdom and reverence so to enjoy and use the resources of nature, that no one may suffer our abuse of them. Help us to be good stewards of your creation. **Risen Lord, hear our prayer.**

On this Mother's Day, we give thanks for our mothers and those who are like mothers to us. We give thanks for the tender affection they have shown us and the loving support they have given us. We ask you to bless them and fill their hearts with peace.

Risen Lord, hear our prayer.

Almighty God, we pray for the Church, this nation, the many places of political conflict and economic suffering in the world, and all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

We remember our troops stationed around the world and the inhabitants of all war-torn countries. **Risen Lord, hear our prayer.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble, including those on our prayer list and all those whose struggles are known to you alone. We pray for nurses, physicians, therapists, caregivers and all who help provide healing and wholeness to others. May they find joy in their labors, that through their ministries your people might be strengthened and your creation glorified. **Risen Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for all who dwell with you in glory, including Lillian T. Beatty, in whose memory the flowers are given this morning; and all those whom we love, but see no longer. Let light perpetual shine upon them, O God. May their souls, and the souls of all the departed, rest in peace. **Risen Lord, hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding prayer.

The Peace

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



Welcome & Announcements

The Rev. Chris Streeter

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***Offertory Anthem**

Hail the day that sees Him rise

arr. Dan Forrest

*If God be for us, who can be against us?
He who did not spare His only Son,
But gave Him up for all,
Shall He not with Him freely give us all things?*

*If God be for us, who can be against us?
He who did not spare His only Son,
But gave Him up for all,
Shall He not with Him freely give us all things?*

*There for him high triumph waits; Alleluia!
lift your heads, eternal gates. Alleluia!
He has conquered death and sin; Alleluia!
take the King of glory in. Alleluia!*

*Hail the day that sees him rise, Alleluia!
to his throne beyond the skies. Alleluia!
Christ, the Lamb for sinners given, Alleluia!
Enters now the highest heaven. Alleluia!*

*Circled round the angel powers, Alleluia!
Their triumphant Lord and ours, Alleluia!
Christ has conquered death and sin, Alleluia!
Take the King of Glory in, Alleluia!*

*Sopranos: If God be for us, who can be against us?
He who did not spare His only Son,
But gave Him up for all,
Shall He not with Him freely give us all things?*

*Choir: Hail the day that sees him rise, Alleluia!
to his throne beyond the skies. Alleluia!
Christ, the Lamb for sinners given, Alleluia!
Enters now the highest heaven. Alleluia*

*All: Shall He not with Him freely give us all things?
Alleluia!*

*-Romans 8:31-32
-Charles Wesley, 1742*

***Doxology**

Old Hundredth

**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

<p><i>Celebrant</i></p> <p>The Lord be with you.</p> <p><i>Celebrant</i></p> <p>Lift up your hearts.</p> <p><i>Celebrant</i></p> <p>Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.</p> <p><i>People</i></p> <p>It is right to give him thanks and praise.</p>	<p><i>People</i></p> <p>And al - so with you.</p> <p><i>People</i></p> <p>We lift them to the Lord.</p>
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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. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

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

8 am: spoken; 10 am: Hymnal # S-128

Celebrant & People

**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


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."

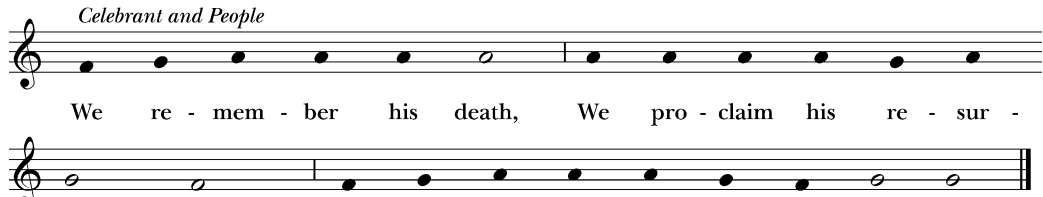
After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Celebrant




There - fore, ac - cord - ing to his com - mand, O Fa - ther,

Celebrant and People



We re - mem - ber his death, We pro - claim his re - sur -



rec - tion, We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.

Celebrant 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.

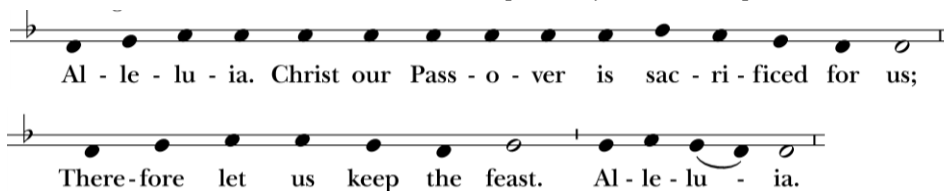
People AMEN.

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.



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**

Improvisation on St. Magnus

F. G. Waldock

***Communion Hymn #328** Draw nigh and take the body of the Lord

Song 46

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 #215

See the conqueror mounts in triumph

In Babilone

The Dismissal

Clergy

Let us go forth in the Name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

*The Voluntary

Engelberg

Charles Callahan

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Serving in God's House Today

8:00 am

Lector: Walter Thies

L.E.M.: Andy VanOrden

Ushers: Mike Ragsdale

10:00 am

Lectors: Alex Zander, Patricia Taggart,

Matt Genung

L.E.M.: Geri Livengood

Ushers: Kurt Lutz & Lou Slamer

Acolytes: Josh Szelstra

Christ Church Prayer List

For those who are ill: Janet, Beverley, Gizelle, Carlyne, Marie, Mary, Evan, Lauren, Trish, Sue, Alex, Derick, Kim, Born, Glenn, Greg, Elaine, Eric Lori, Lorraine, Linda, Eileen, Janet, Rick Jr, Kevin, Valerie, Kim, Lance, Jeff, Carol, Paul, Jeanne, Daryl, Robert, Tricia, Kim, Jane, Lisa, Paco, Amy, Michele, Yacki, Addis, Ishi, Roger, Debbie, Tom, Tracy, Stevie, DJ, Brenda, Minnie, Wyn, Kay, Elizabeth, James, Lisa, Palo, Mary, Madeline, Cardyne, Guy, Sarah, Kelly, Becky, Mike, Jim, Madalyn, Gerry, Paul, Roberta, Betty, John, Alicia, Shelley, Jim, Marsha, Jake, Dakota, Matt, David, Shirley and Diana

For those with child: Jessica, Meredith

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

We rejoice with: Janine Love, Janet Kunesch, Paul Wiebel and all who are celebrating their birthdays this week.

*The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and
in beloved memory of Lillian T. Beatty.*

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

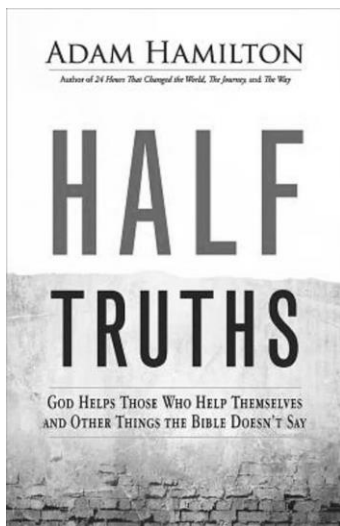
Joining us in worship & fellowship on May 5, 2024

8:00 am: 28

10:00 am: 115

Announcements & Events

**Adult Formation Series: Wednesday, May 15 from 7:00-8:00 pm
CONCLUDES THIS WEEK!**

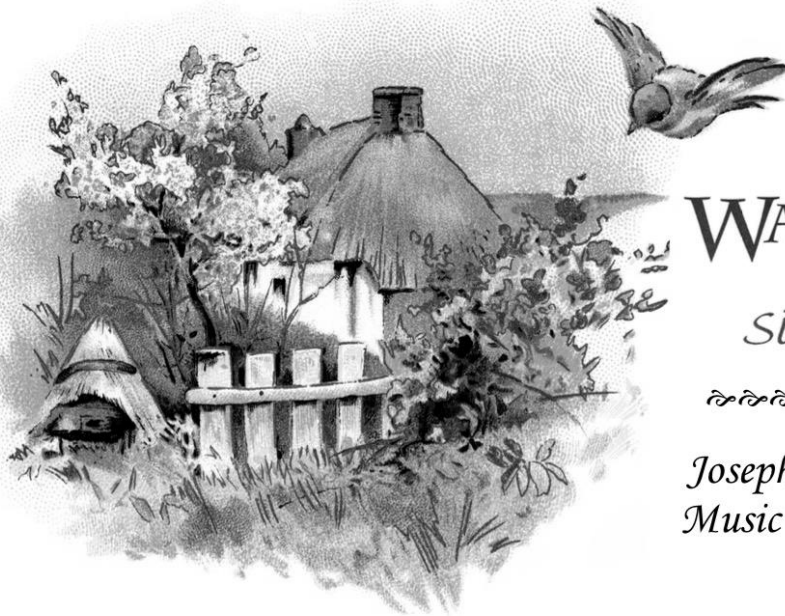


Join us for to explore some “half” truths we often hear faithful people say, including:

**God helps those who help themselves.
Everything happens for a reason.
God won’t give you more than you can handle.**

We’ll spend time discovering what wisdom scripture actually reveals around these areas and discuss why some of these common Christian clichés have endured.

Our final session is this Wednesday, May 15 from 7-8 pm.
We hope to see you there!
For more information, please see Father Chris.



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Music Director*

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A concert of English Choral Music
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Christ Church Calendar: Week of May 12, 2024

Sunday May 12, 2024 - The Seventh Sunday of Easter

- 8 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II, spoken)
- 9:00 am Adult Bible Study & Journey
- 9:30 am Sunday School
- 10 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II, with music)
Fellowship & Coffee following
- 11:45 am Sunday Brunch in a Bag

Monday May 13 (Church Office Hours: 8 am to 1 pm)

Tuesday May 14 (Church Office Hours: 8 am to 1 pm)
Sussex County Youth Orchestra

Wednesday May 15 (Church Office Hours: 8 am to 1 pm)

- 7 pm Adult Formation Series

Thursday May 16 (Church Office Hours: 8 am to 12pm)

- 11:30 am CCW Meeting
- 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

Friday May 17

Saturday May 18

- 10 am Literacy New Jersey & Bread of Life

Sunday May 19 - Pentecost Sunday

- 8 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II, spoken)
- 9:30 am Sunday School
- 10 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II, with music)
Fellowship & Coffee following
- 11:45 am Sunday Brunch in a Bag



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