

CHRIST CHURCH

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CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, NEWTON
The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

June 28, 2026

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** Two Settings of “Gardiner” Dennis Janzer/Robert Powell

***Hymn in Procession #518** Christ is made the sure foundation Westminster Abbey

***Invitation to Summer Workshop Series**

Throughout the summer months, we offer a Summer Workshop Series in Holley Hall.

All children & youth are welcome to join in this time of formation.

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.**

Gloria 8 am: spoken; 10 am: Hymnal # S-280

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. Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; 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 22:1-14

God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you." So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you." Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" Abraham said, "God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So the two of them walked on together. When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. So Abraham called that place "The Lord will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 13

said responsively

- 1 How long, O Lord? will you forget me for ever? *
how long will you hide your face from me?
- 2 How long shall I have perplexity in my mind, and grief in my heart, day after day? *
how long shall my enemy triumph over me?
- 3 Look upon me and answer me, O Lord my God; *
give light to my eyes, lest I sleep in death;
- 4 Lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed over him," *
and my foes rejoice that I have fallen.
- 5 But I put my trust in your mercy; *
my heart is joyful because of your saving help.
- 6 I will sing to the Lord, for he has dealt with me richly; *
I will praise the Name of the Lord Most High.

The Second Lesson

Romans 6:12-23

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

Clergy The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 10:40-42

Jesus said, "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple - truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Chris Streeter, Rector

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. 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, for the joys we share and the signs of hope and support we offer to one another. We pray for all those who are graduating this year, and for all who have supported them. Bless them in all their future endeavors, and walk beside them in this next chapter of life. **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. Make your light to shine upon them and grant them peace. **God of love, hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant may add a concluding prayer.

The Confession of Sin & Absolution

Clergy Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

A period of silence is kept.

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.



Welcome & Announcements

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*Offertory Anthem

I Will Sing New Songs
Curt Wilson, tenor

Antonin Dvořák

*I will sing new songs of gladness,
I will sing Jehovah's praises
Upon a ten-stringed psaltery.
Every day will I extol Thee,
And will bless Thy Holy Name.*

*Great is God and great His mercy,
Who shall tell of all His greatness?
Who shall His power declare?
My song shall be of praise and honor
And of Thy glorious acts.*

*Thy works are wonderful,
past our knowing.
Yea, men shall tell of Thy great kindness
And of Thy wondrous might,
And my voice shall proclaim
aloud Thy glory.*

*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

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Lift up your hearts.

People

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 & Benedictus

8 am: spoken; 10 am: Hymnal # S-129

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 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

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant & People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

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. 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.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

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

The Quiet Heart

Thomas Keesecker

*Communion Solo

Day by Day

Thomas Keesecker

*Day by day, dear Lord to you three things I pray:
To see you more clearly, to love you more dearly,
To follow you more nearly, day by day.*

*Day by day, dear Lord, close by me always stay:
From death you have freed me, in mercy you lead me,
With heaven's bread you feed me day by day.*

*Day by day, dear Lord, walk with me on the way:
In truth ever guide me, from wrong ever hide me,
Your faithfulness beside me day by day.*

- Attr: Richard of Chichester (1197-1253)

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 #564

He who would valiant be

St. Dunstan's

The Dismissal

Clergy Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

*The Voluntary

Fuga in a minor

J. S. Bach

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Serving in God's House Today

8:00 am

Lector: Katie Reilly

L.E.M.: Mitch Hillard

Usher: Mark Dubel

Altar Guild: Julianna Gerdes, Preston Davis

10:00 am

Crucifer: Josh Szelesta

Lectors: Eric Dietz, Patricia Taggart, Lori Parks

L.E.M.: Geri Livengood

Ushers: George & Barbara Wink

Joining us in worship & fellowship on June 21, 2026

8:00 am: 47

10:00 am: 120

Christ Church Prayer List

We offer our prayers for those who are ill, including:

Arlene, Art, Cano Family, Carolyn, Cindy, Daryl, Diana, Ed, Elaine, Ellen, Gail, George, Gizelle, Irene, James, Jeffrey, Jennifer, Jerry, Jimmy, Joe, John, John, Karla, Laura, Lee Ann, Lindsay, Lorraine, Lou, Louis, Louise, Madeline, Marie, Marie, Mary, Mike, Nate, Paul, Phyllis, Richie, Ryan, Sharon, Sharon, Terry, Theresa, Thomas.

We offer our prayers for those serving in the armed forces, including:

Angel, Dean, Jonathan, Michael, Robert.

We rejoice with those celebrating birthdays this week, including:

Paula Mantz (*June 29*)
Gabriella Attenello (*June 30*)
Mercy Zander (*July 2*)
Laurie Byron, Mimi Douglas (*July 3*)

We rejoice with those celebrating anniversaries this week, including:

Laura and Don Ciccolella (*June 28*)

We want to be praying with you!

*Please contact the church office to have names added or removed from our prayer list,
or to add a birthday or anniversary to our list.*

Please note: names will be retained for three months, unless otherwise requested.

The Altar Flowers this morning are given to the Glory of God
and in celebration of the wedding ceremony for
Taylor Marie Constantine & Timothy Joseph Profeta
held yesterday at Christ Church.



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