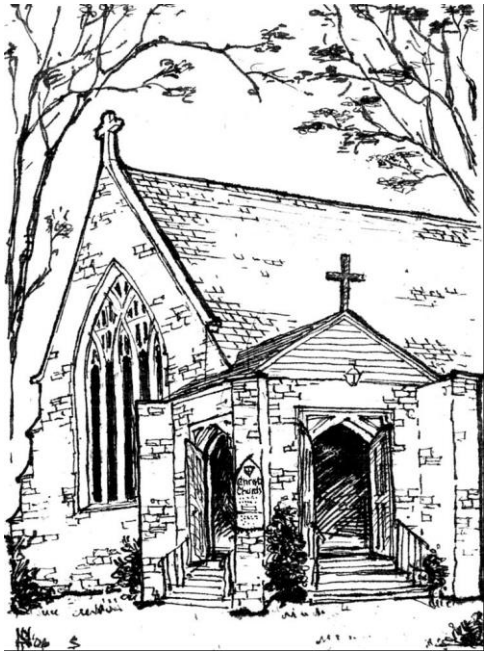
CHRIST CHURCH PARISH
EPISCOPAL

5:00 PM

Choral Evensong
Commemoration of All Faithful Departed

November 3, 2024



WELCOME

Christ Church is an Episcopal Parish in the Diocese of Massachusetts. We welcome and honor the God-given gifts that make us unique as individuals and strong as community. You and your family are welcome regardless of age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, marital status or prior religious affiliation.

Evensong, the sung version of Evening Prayer is a Service of "The Liturgy of the Hours." Praying the hours, that is marking the day and night with prayer, is a practice most followed by monastic and religious communities who honor the mandate to pray at all times. Such prayer exists in Christian and other faith traditions, going back to the early Christian communities of the 300s Common Era.

Evening Prayer, like Morning Prayer, is a service that can be led by a lay person. It consists of hymns, psalms, lessons, canticles, the Apostles' Creed, intercessory prayers, and collects. Simply put, it is the formal liturgical prayer of the Christian community when not celebrating Eucharist or Holy Communion.

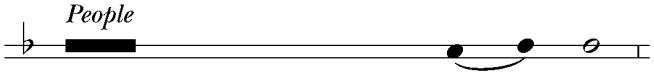
Tonight's Evensong celebrates All Saints' Day and is a service to remember those the parish has lost in the past year, and all others we hold as saints in our hearts. The service includes the elements of evensong but has been adapted to include a special "rite" of remembrance.

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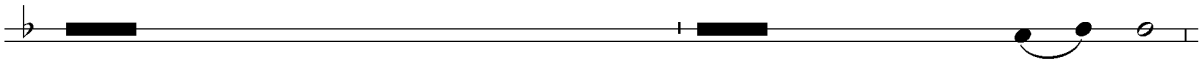


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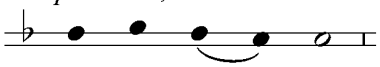


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Except in Lent, add:



SONG — *O gracious Light, Lord Jesus Christ* — 1982 Hymnal 25



This hymn may be sung unaccompanied as a four-part canon at a distance of one measure.

Psalm 130

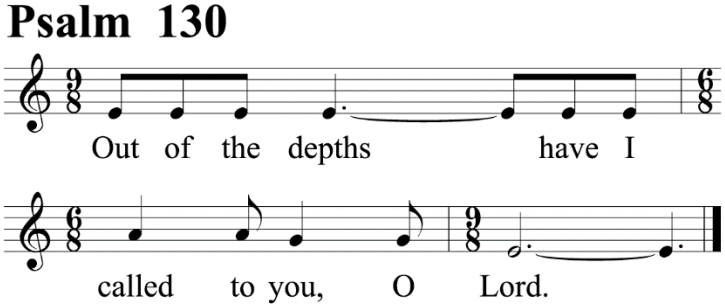
[1]Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord;
LORD, hear my voice!*
Let your ears consider well the
voice of my supplication! ***Refrain***

[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. ***Refrain***

[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. ***Refrain***

[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 Isreal from
all their sins. ***Refrain***

Refrain:



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The Lessons

FIRST READING: **Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-9**

The people sit.

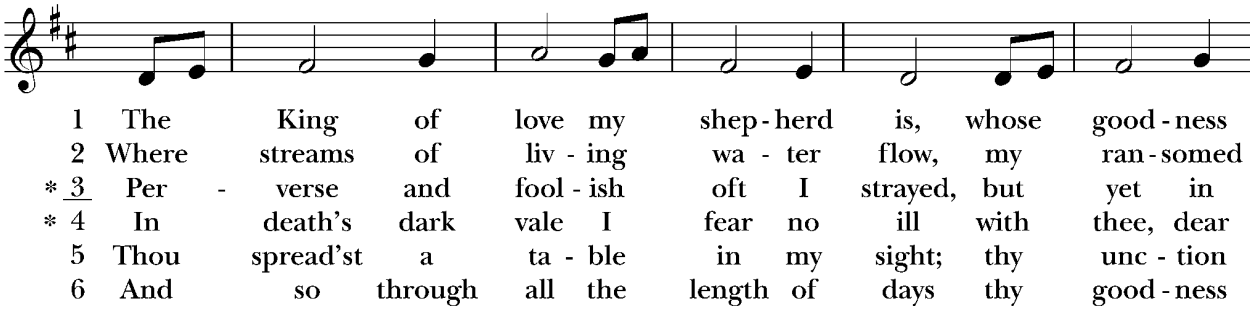
A Reading from the book of Wisdom.

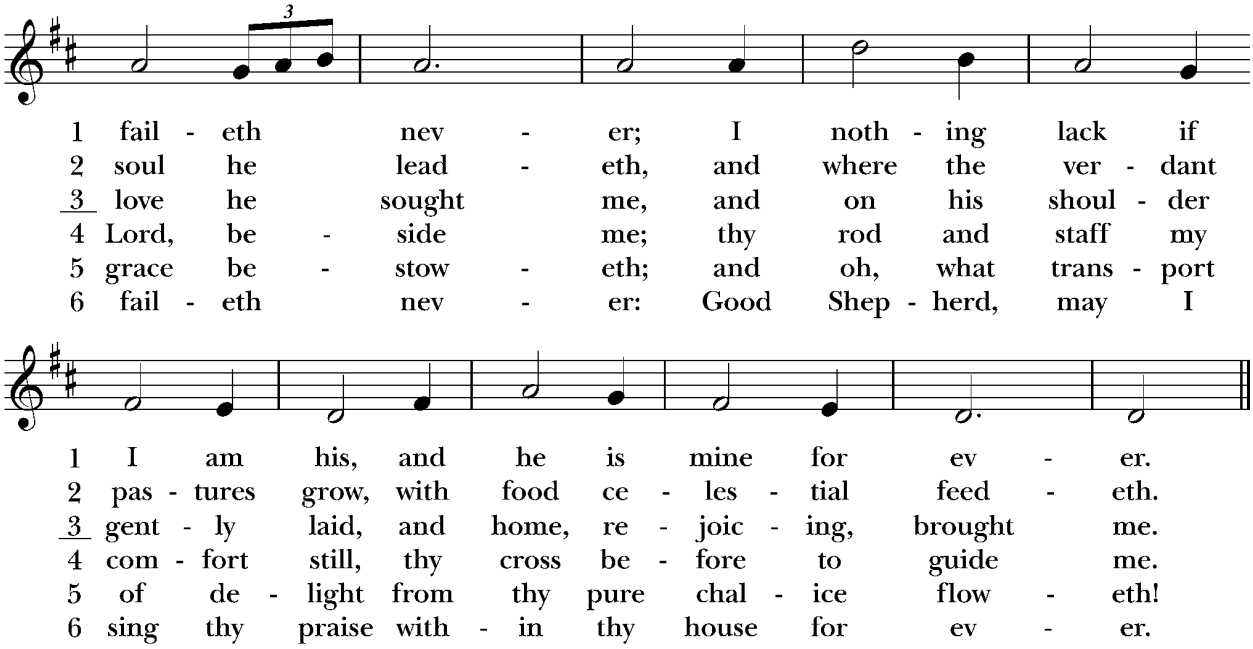
But the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace. For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt offering he accepted them. In the time of their visitation they will shine forth, and will run like sparks through the stubble. They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them forever. Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones, and he watches over his elect.

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

Silence may follow.

HYMN ***The King of love my shepherd is*** **1982 Hymnal 645**





SECOND READING: **1 Thessalonians 4:13-18**

The people sit.

A Reading from Paul's First letter to the Church in Thessaloniki.

But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

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

Silence may follow.

CANTICLE ***The Song of Simeon*** **WLP 891**



*At end of canticle in Compline, repeat antiphon.


1. With my own eyes I have seen the sal - va - tion, which
Refrain
you have pre - pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple.
Refrain
2. A light to re - veal you to the na - tions and the
Refrain
glo - ry of your peo - ple Is - ra - el.
Refrain

THIRD READING: **John 5:24-27**

The people sit.

A Reading from John.

Very truly, I tell you, anyone who hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life, and does not come under judgment, but has passed from death to life. Very truly, I tell you, the hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. For just as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself; and he has given him authority to execute judgment, because he is the Son of Man.

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

Silence may follow.

MEDITATION **The Rev. Deacon James Thomas**

SERVICE OF REMEMBERANCE

Please remain seated for the reading of the names, then come forward during the instrumental music to light a candle in memory of those names, and other saints you wish to remember.

Charlene Birkenhead
Robert Birkenhead
Jeffrey Carter
Ruth Ann Cederholm
Kathryn Chamberlain
Linda Ellis
Stephen Estes
Carolyn Fitzsimmons
Willard Hunt
Joan Joy
Kent Kopke
John McGinn, Sr.
Nicole Zapolski
All our dearly departed who have been laid to rest in our parish columbarium.

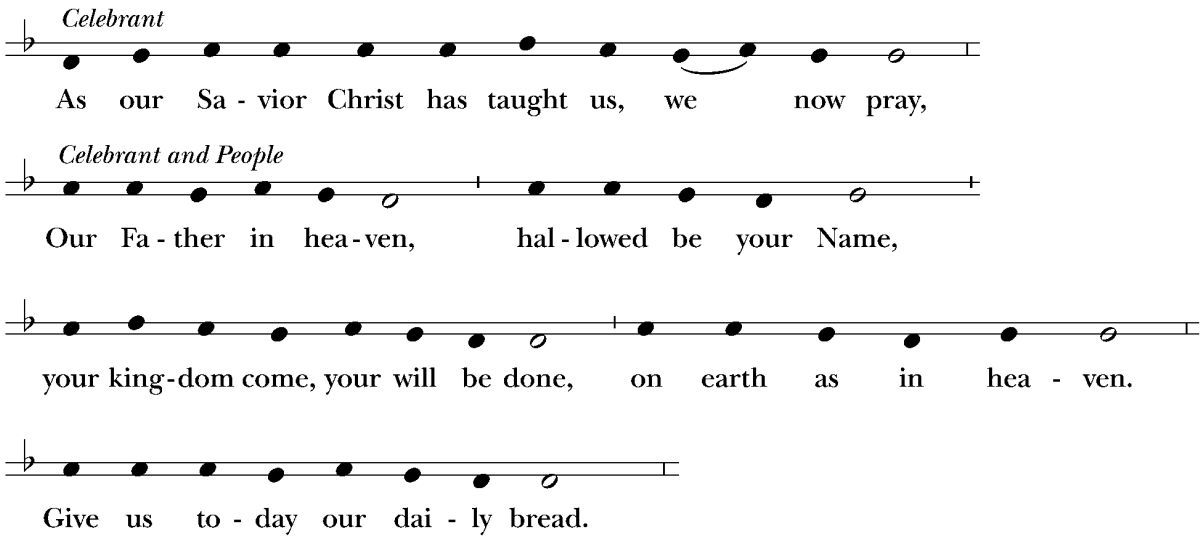
And those now mentioned aloud or in silence

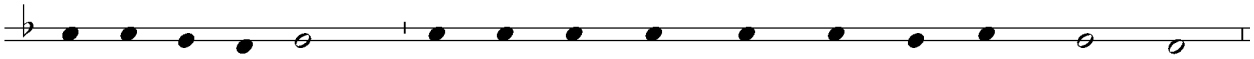
THE APOSTLES' CREED
Officiant and People together, all standing.

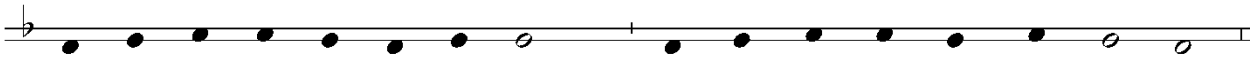
I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the 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.
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. Amen.

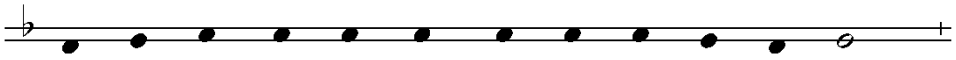
The Prayers

THE LORD'S PRAYER ***The Lord's Prayer*** **1982 Hymnal S 148**
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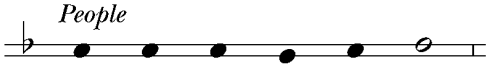


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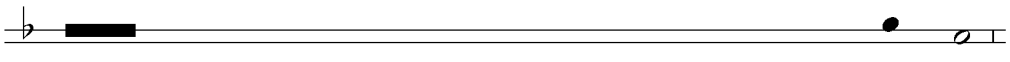
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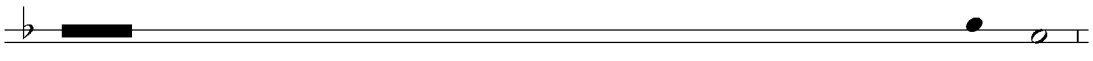


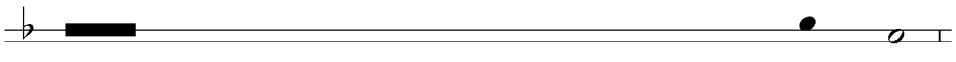
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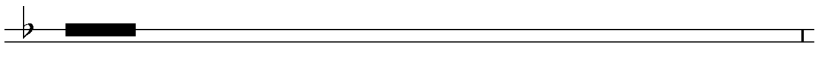


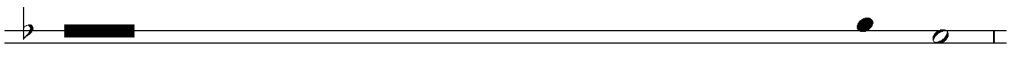
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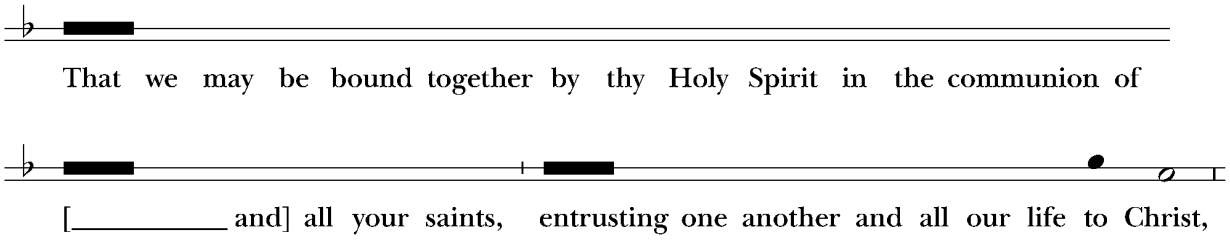










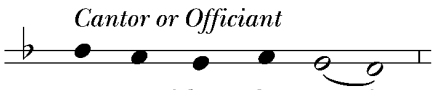


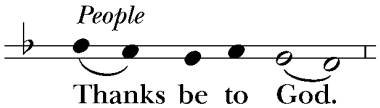
THE COLLECT OF THE DAY
O God, the Maker and Redeemer of all believers: Grant to the faithful departed the unsearchable benefits of the passion of your Son; that on the day of his appearing they may be manifested as your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

A COLLECT FOR THE PRESENCE OF CHRIST
Lord Jesus, stay with us, for evening is at hand and the day is past; be our companion in the way, kindle our hearts, and awaken hope, that we may know you as you are revealed in Scripture and the breaking of bread. Grant this for the sake of your love. **Amen.**

A COLLECT FOR TRUST
Most Loving God, whose will it is for us to give thanks for all things, to rear nothing but the loss of you, and to cast our care on you who care for us: Preserve us from faithless fears and worldly anxieties, that no clouds of this mortal life may hide from us the light of that love which is immortal, and which you have manifested to us in Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

CONCLUDING VERSICLE AND RESPONSE 1982 Hymnal S 65





BENEDICTION

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant: Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. **Amen.**

HYMN ***For all the saints*** **1982 Hymnal 287**



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