Welcome to Christ Church. We are glad you are here today, affirming our shared faith in Christ and worshiping in the Episcopal tradition. If you are new to Christ Church, be at peace here, find God at work here and know that we are grateful to pray with you today.

JULY 17, 2022: THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST LITURGY OF THE WORD 8:00AM

OPENING SENTENCES

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY The collect is said in unison

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.

THE GLORIA

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

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE LESSON
Genesis 18:1-10a

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on-- since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son."

Hear what the Spirit is saying.

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm is read in unison.

PSALM 15

Domine, quis habitabit?

Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? who may abide upon your holy hill?

Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, who speaks the truth from his heart.

There is no guile upon his tongue; he does no evil to his friend; he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.

In his sight the wicked is rejected, but he honors those who fear the Lord.

He has sworn to do no wrong and does not take back his word.

He does not give his money in hope of gain, nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.

Whoever does these things shall never be overthrown.

THE GOSPEL Luke 10:38-42

The Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As Jesus and his disciples went on their way, Jesus entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Bowie Snodgrass

A moment of silence is kept following the sermon.

THE NICENE CREED

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.

During the silence after each bidding, the people offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

Let us pray for the revealing of the reign of God in the world, now and always.

In the beginning, God was.

Here and now, God is.

In the future, God will be.

Creator of earth, sea, and sky, kindle the fire of your Spirit within us that we may be bold to heal and defend the earth, and pour your blessing upon all who work for the good of the planet. God, Giver of life,

Hear our prayer.

Breath of life, receive our thanks for the beauty of our local habitat and all who dwell in it, and grant us the wisdom and will to conserve it. God, Giver of life,

Hear our prayer.

Source of life, heal and redeem the wounds of your creation, and visit the places and people who suffer from our indifference, neglect, and greed. God, Giver of life,

Hear our prayer.

Lover of all you have made, we thank you for the wondrous diversity of your creatures, and we pray for their well-being. God, Giver of life,

Hear our prayer.

Author of the book of nature, receive our gratitude for places of restoration and healing, and continue to bless those places that feed our lives and spirits. God, Giver of life,

Hear our prayer.

Wise Creator, whose works are full of mystery, give us wonder and appreciation for your creatures with whom we find ourselves in conflict. God, Giver of life,

Hear our prayer.

Giver of all good gifts, awaken us daily to our dependence upon your bounty, and make us always thankful for the abundance of your blessings. God, Giver of life,

Hear our prayer.

Divine Physician, heal our communities, especially those where neglect, greed, or violence inflict suffering upon people and other creatures. God, Giver of life,

Hear our prayer.

Comforter of all the earth, sustain the people of this congregation who desire or need your presence and help. God, Giver of life,

Hear our prayer.

Rock and refuge of all your creatures, receive into everlasting mercy all those who have died. God, Giver of life,

Hear our prayer.

The Presider concludes the Prayers with the following collect.

Eternal God, the light of all who know you, come and fill our hearts with your love. Help us speak when many keep silent, help us stand for what is right when many sit in indifference. Increase our faith and charity, until your kingdom comes and heaven and earth rejoice in everlasting glory; through your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

THE PEACE

The peace of God be always with you. **And also with you.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ had 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 BLESSING DISMISSAL

Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Thanks be to God.

Please join us for our Coffee Hour via Zoom immediately after the 8am service.

All are welcome!

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

Officiant and Preacher The Rev. Bowie Snodgrass

Reader Adaeze Nwachuku

PRAYER LIST

Each week, we continue to remember those in need of prayer.

Prayers for those who have died: remembering especially Anne Gibbs, mother of Jen Vinsonhaler.

Special Prayers: River B., Karen R., Jane H., Steve T., Gregg R., Dwight J., Frank B., Linda J., Ethan, Janet, Stacie, James, and Mary.

Continuing Prayers: Jacqueline F., Christine, Mary M., Liz D., Sofia D., Linnea, Maureen O., Susan M., Ginny, and Jane F.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: We pray for St. Mark's Church in Mendham, St. Stephen's Church in Millburn, and All Saints' Church in Millington.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: We pray for The Episcopal Church.

We pray for: Peace in the world and an end to war, especially in Ukraine.

Please contact Pastor Tristan Shin if you have any prayer requests or would like a pastoral visitation. Email: tshin@christchurchshorthills.org.

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Summer Text Study with Pastor Tristan

Sunday, July 24, 11:15am

When we talk about justice, we often refer to this text from Micah 6:8:

"He has told you, O mortal, what is good, and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with your God?"

This summer, we will look into what it means for us disciples of Christ to live into biblical justice as an integrated part of our daily lives. We will focus on the book *Live Justly* by Eugene Cho and other authors. This book engages diverse learning styles to move the reader to consider living justly as an act and expression of the love of God. It is deeply rooted in scripture and the core beliefs that God is sovereign over all and that God loves justice.

Please join Pastor Tristan on Sunday, July 24 after worship to explore how to live justly in six key areas: advocacy, prayer, consumption, generosity, creation care, and relationships. Hopefully, we will spark some new ideas for outreach as well. You can pick up a copy of the book or just come as you are!

Summer Sunday School

Join us for Sunday School today as we get "Back to Basics!" The weekly themes for the summer include:

July 17 - Noah and the Amazing Ark	Aug 7 - From Heaven to Earth-Jesus Is Here
July 24 - The Ten Commandments	Aug 14 - Jesus Stills Stormy Waters
July 31 - Hannah's Hope	Aug 21 - The Good Neighbor
	Aug 28 - A Heart Like Jesus

8am Service on Zoom for the Summer

The 8am Service has moved to Zoom through Labor Day Weekend (September 4). The 10am service will continue in person and is live-streamed weekly to our YouTube Channel.

Interested in attending Cross Roads this Summer?

Cross Roads, our diocesan camp, is a welcoming and inclusive community providing life changing and sacred adventures for renewal, growth, and joy. There are several weeks available in July and August. Any children or youth (grades 2-12) attending from Christ Church will have 50% of their expenses covered by the church. Contact Chris Whitaker (cwhitaker@christchurchshorthills.org) to learn more.

Learn more about their summer programming by visiting crossroadsretreat.com.

Eyeglasses Found

Over the past month, several different pairs of eyeglasses were left behind at the church. If you have lost a pair, please call the office (973-379-2898) to see if any of these are yours.

Workshop on Funeral and Cremation Planning

A free 'Lunch and Learn' workshop, "What You Need To Know About Funeral and Cremation Planning" is being offered by Bradley Funeral Homes on July 27 at 11:30 am at the Springfield location (415 Morris Avenue). They will provide lunch, giveaways and resource materials. To register, call 973-635-2428.

Sunday Offertory

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Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. Ephesians 5:2

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