November 17, 2024
The Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost



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CHRIST CHURCH IN THE CITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK
A parish of the Episcopal Diocese of New Jersey
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WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH, an Episcopal parish of the worldwide Anglican Communion. We are glad you are here, and we invite you to enter fully into worship this morning, and to receive Holy Communion or a blessing at the communion rail. We invite you to ask questions, explore, and to make yourself known to those around you. Please pick up any other information about the parish located on the table in the back of the church. Tell us more about yourself by filling out one of the cards located in each pew. Help us to make this a place where God's grace is freely shared by all.

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME AT ALL SERVICES. Changing stations are available in both rest rooms at the Paterson Street entrance; you can get there through the side door of the church.

WE REJOICE that you have chosen to worship here this Pentecost season. If you would like to learn more about our Parish, please phone the Parish Office at 732.545.6262. Many of our upcoming events are listed on our web site, christchurchnewbrunswick.org; we hope that you decide to join us.

ABOUT THE LITURGY

Inclusive Language in Worship: Because language has the power to shape our thinking about God and one another, Christ Church makes every effort to bring the language of worship in line with biblical theology that affirms that the personhood of God embraces all that is truly female and male, and that men and women are equals. In our liturgy some historical texts that are widely known and loved are left unchanged.

YOU ARE INVITED to worship with us any Sunday.

Our regular service times are 8:00 and 10:30 AM.

FREE PARKING VOUCHERS

Are available for the Lower Church Street parking deck next to the church grounds. Please see an usher for a voucher and instructions.

INTERCESSIONS

AT EVERY CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST prayer is offered with intercession for the Universal Church, the nation, the welfare of the world, the concerns of this community, those who suffer and those in any trouble, and the departed. Please feel free to add your own petitions during the prayers, either silently or aloud. If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, you may also fill out the form in the Prayers of the People book in the back of the Church.

WEEKLY INTERCESSIONS

We remember in today's prayers:
The Sick and Others in Need— *Barb, Brianna, Dennis, Doreen, Edith, Florence, Georgia, Hansford, Jeannine, Pat, Robert, Steve, Timothy, Tisha, Vivian, Yvonne*
Anglican Cycle *– The Anglican Church of Southern Africa*
Diocesan Cycle *– The Rev. Jane L. Rockman*
Christ Church Ministry *– Tuesdayers*
Birthdays this week *– Allen Abbott, Sr., Allen Abbott, Jr., Harry Caruso, Austin Cooper, Simon Davis, Anna Rose Gable, Keira Graf, Caroline LaPorte-Burns, Helena LaPorte-Burns, Scott McKenzie, Shannon Pullaro*
Memorial Flowers—*are given by the Bateman Family in memory of Gladys and Grey Bateman.*

PASTORAL CARE

If you are in crisis, having surgery, are in the hospital and are in need of pastoral counseling from a clergy person, please do not hesitate to contact the Rev. Joanna Hollis—732.354.1450 or the Rev. Daphne Roberts -732.991.6733.
If you would like to schedule home communion, please contact Rev. Hollis and she will arrange for either herself, or a Lay Eucharistic Visitor to bring communion to you. Please do not hesitate to contact either Rev. Hollis or Rev. Roberts if you know of someone who is in need of care or counseling.

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Worshipping God Serving God's People
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THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE I

BCP, page 323

References marked "BCP" are from the black Book of Common Prayer *in your pew.*

PRELUDE *Voluntary* number 6 J. Stanley

The Presider welcomes the congregation, and then says

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

COLLECT OF PURITY

The Presider says

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

The Presider continues

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

GLORIA

Glory be to God on high,
and on earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee,
we glorify thee,

we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy;
thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ,
with the Holy Ghost,
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Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

SERMON Rev. Joanna Hollis

THE NICENE CREED

ALL **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

Leader Responding, "Hear our Prayer," let us pray for our own needs and the needs of others.

The Leader requests the prayers of the People of God for the world, the mission of the Church, and for those individuals who have asked for or need our prayers. If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, please fill out the form in the Prayers of the People book in the back of the Church.

After the last petition, the Presider adds a concluding Collect.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Presider Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept.

ALL **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.**

Presider Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**

Then the Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY HYMN "O God of Every Nation" **The Blue *Hymnal* 1982, # 607**

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *Eucharistic Prayer II, BCP, page 340*

Presider The Lord be with you.
ALL **And with thy spirit.**
Presider Lift up your hearts.
ALL **We lift them up unto the Lord.**
Presider Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
ALL **It is meet and right so to do.**

Presider It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

The Presider continues with the Proper Preface of the Day and then continues.
Presider Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

SANCTUS
ALL **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:**
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The people may stand or kneel as able

Presider All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of

sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory. And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

ALL **Amen**

Presider And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

ALL **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.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Presider breaks the bread.

Presider Alleluia! Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

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

INVITATION

Presider The gifts of God for the People of God.

The congregation may kneel or sit following the Invitation. All are most welcome to receive Communion. If you do not wish to receive communion this morning, you are cordially invited to come forward with your arms crossed to receive a blessing. Gluten-free wafers are available; please speak to the member of the clergy who is serving the bread.

The Bread and Cup are given to the Communicants with these words

Minister The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven.
Recipient **Amen.**
Minister The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.
Recipient **Amen.**

AFTER COMMUNION

Presider Let us pray.
ALL **Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and also are heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

The Presider will give the blessing.
People **Amen.**
The Deacon will give the dismissal.
People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE *Voluntary number 6* Allegro J. Stanley

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST: ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP *PEW LEAFLET*
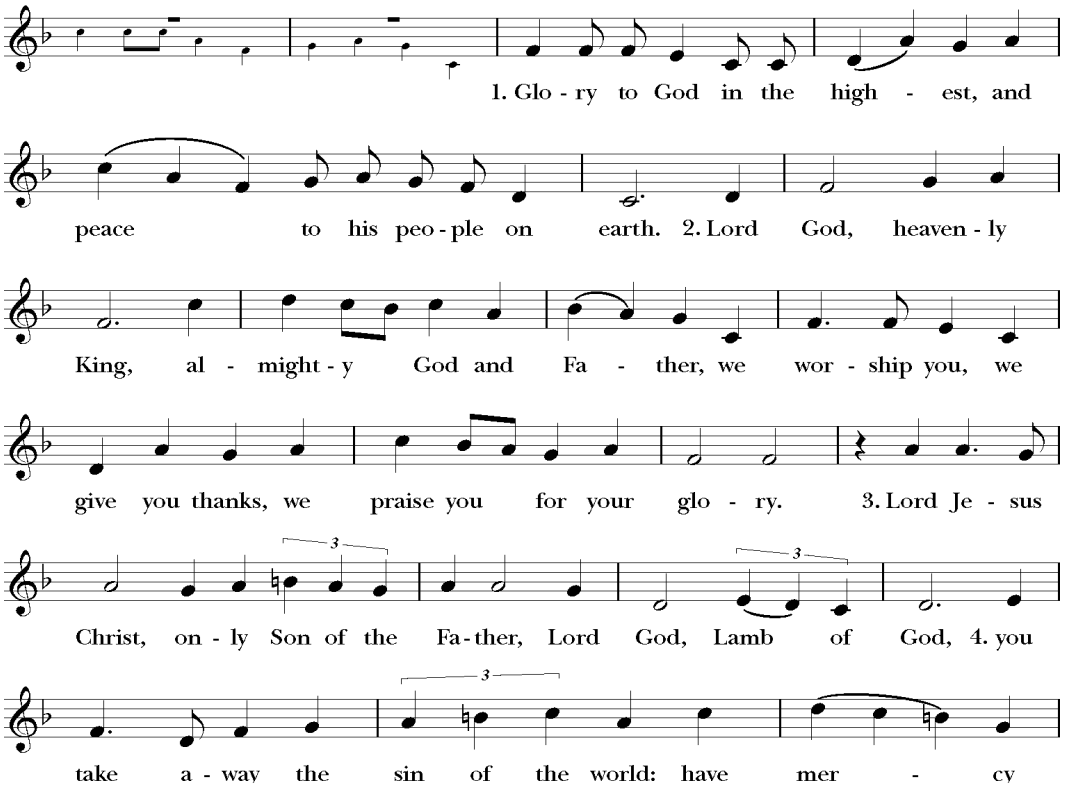
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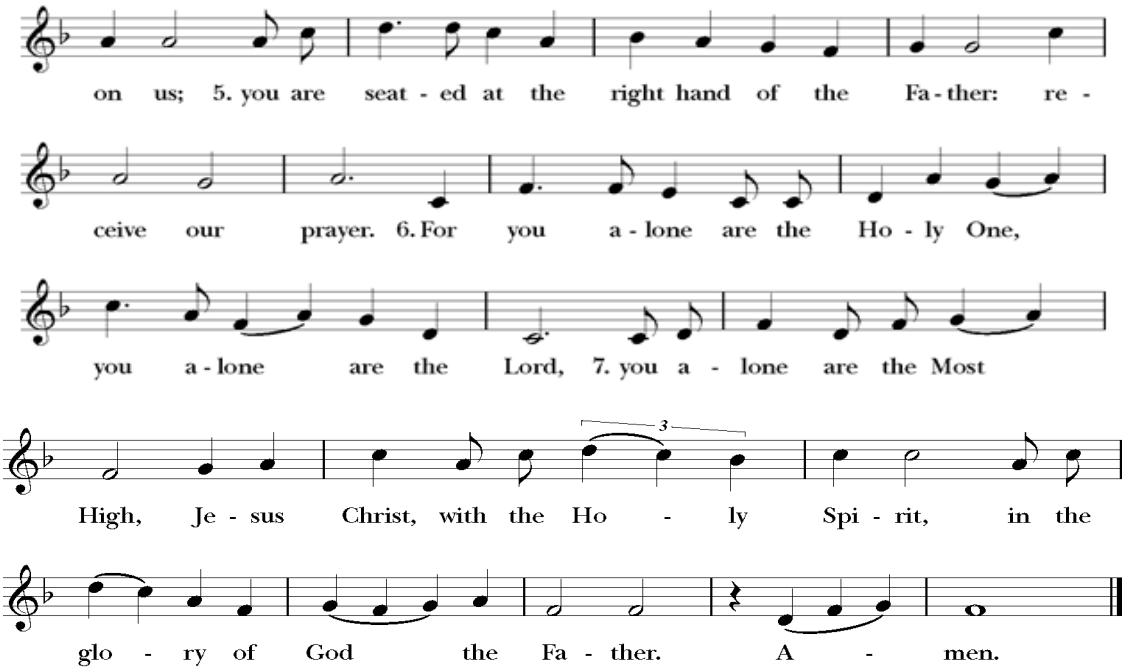
ENTRANCE HYMN "My Lord, What a Morning" **Red LEVAS *Hymnal*, # 13**

The Presider welcomes the congregation, and then says

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

GLORIA *Robert Powell*





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GRADUAL HYMN "Help Us, O Lord, to Learn" **The Blue *Hymnal 1982*,# 628**

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THE NICENE CREED

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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

Leader Let us pray for our own needs and the needs of others, responding, "Hear our prayer."

The Leader requests the prayers of the People of God for the world, the mission of the Church, and for those individuals who have asked for or need our prayers. If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, please fill out the form in the Prayers of the People book in the back of the Church

After the last petition, the Presider adds a concluding Collect

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION EOW

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

All who are able please kneel or stand. Silence is kept for a space.

ALL **God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

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

People **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The People and Ministers greet one another in the name of the Lord.

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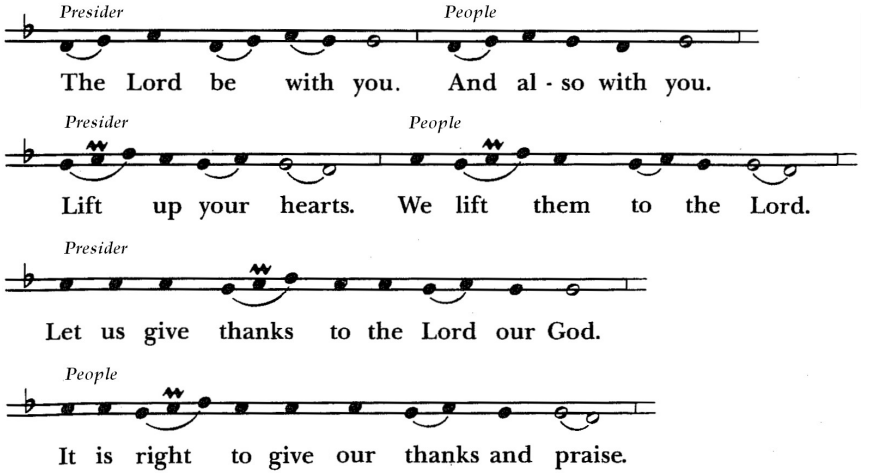
All who are able please stand and sing the following hymn

OFFERTORY HYMN "O God of Every Nation" **The Blue *Hymnal 1982*,# 607**

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

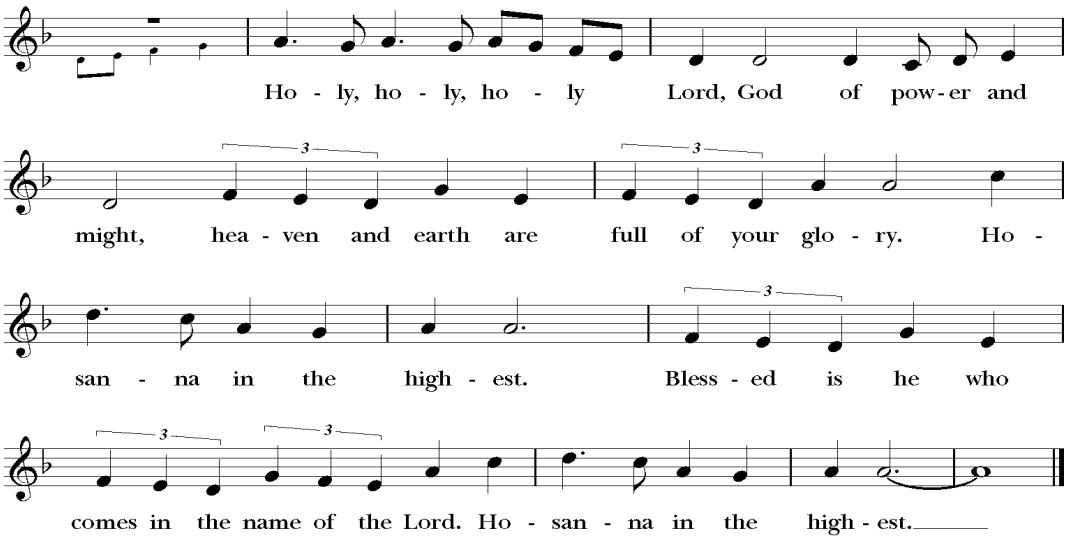
EOW, *Eucharistic Prayer 1*



Presider It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

SANCTUS

Robert Powell



Presider Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

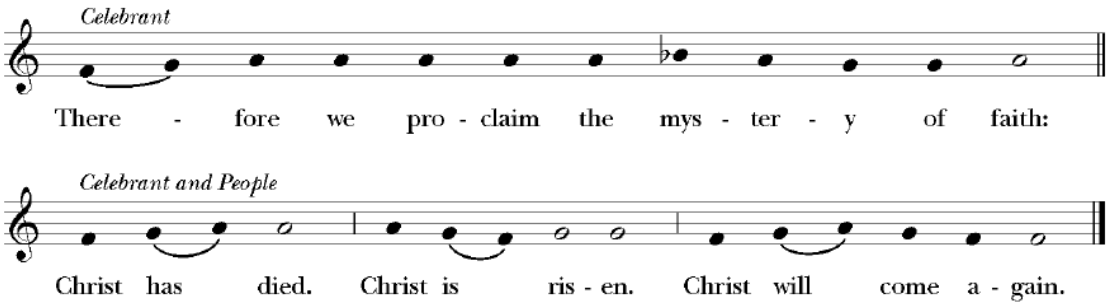
But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

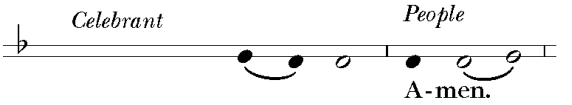
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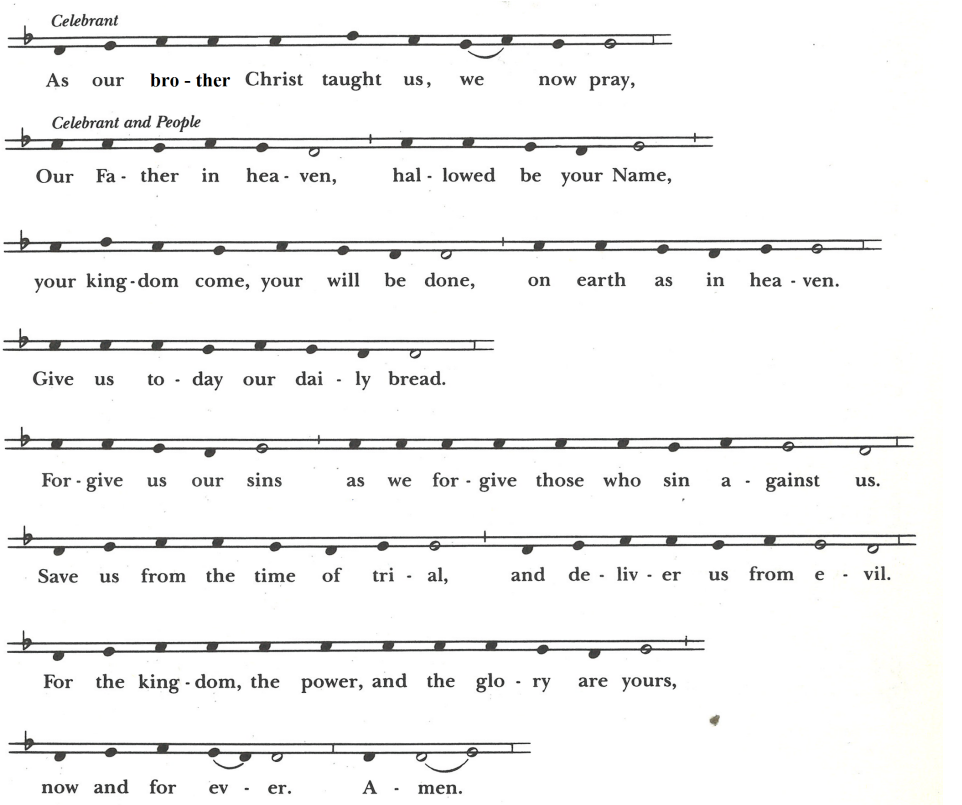
Presider Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us to the everlasting heritage of your children, that with Blessed Mary and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise forever and ever.

ALL



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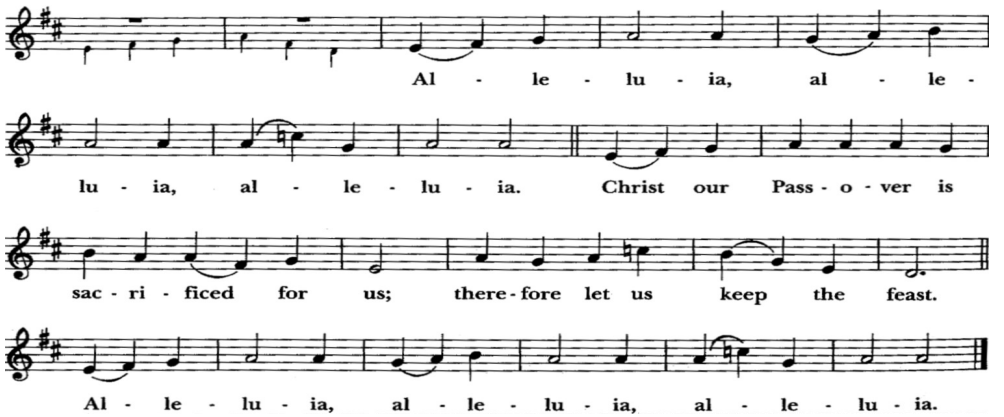


BREAKING THE BREAD

The Presider breaks the bread. Then All sing

Gerald R. Near

ALL



INVITATION

Presider The gifts of God for the People of God.

The congregation may kneel or sit following the Invitation.

All are most welcome to receive Communion. If you do not wish to receive communion this morning, you are cordially invited to come forward with your arms crossed to receive a blessing. Gluten-free wafers are available; please speak to the member of the clergy who is serving the bread.

The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words

Minister The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven.
***Recipient* Amen.**
Minister The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.
***Recipient* Amen.**

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER FOR THOSE JOINING US ONLINE:

Gracious God, our sustainer and source of all good things in the universe. As we gather in community this day, we are mindful of those who through circumstance or conscience are unable to partake of the Bread of Life and the Cup of Salvation at this time. You are the source of the food and water which nourishes and sustains us. As we are the product of all we have partaken, we know that we are infused with your life-giving food and drink and that are never separated from you. Though we are many, we are joined in Christ. We are one Body, one Cup in the name of the One God. Amen.

COMMUNION ANTHEM "Psalm of Thanksgiving" M. McDonald
Christ Church Open Choir

Thanks , thanks, give thanks to the Lord.
His love endures forever.
Thank, thanks for the Lord he is good.
Give thanks to the Lord, all the earth.

He is worthy, worthy of our praise,
Worthy, worthy of our praise.
We give thanks, give thanks for all our days,
To the Lord sing praise!

Praise, praise sing praise to the Lord.
His goodness endures forever.
Praise, praise sing to the Lord.
Sing praise to the Lord all the earth.

It is is good to give thanks to the Lord and sing to the Lord, most high!
He is faithful , our loving lord.
Sing thanks and praise him on high, on high!

I will sing ,sing praise to the Lord. his love endures forever.
I will sing glad songs to the Lord.
Sing praise to the Lord all the earth.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise above , ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

He is worthy, worthy of our praise,
Worthy, worthy of our praise.
We give thanks, give thanks for all of our days,
To the Lord sing praise!

Thanks, thanks, give thanks to the Lord. His love endures forever.
Thanks, thanks, for the Lord, he is good.
Give thanks to the Lord, all the earth
Give thanks, sing praise to the Lord all the earth,
Give Thanks!

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION EOW

All who are able please stand

Presider Let us pray.

ALL **God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

FINAL HYMN "All Who Love and Serve Your City"

The Blue *Hymnal* 1982, # 570

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

The Presider will give the blessing.

People **Amen.**

The Deacon will give the dismissal.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE *Voluntary number 6* Allegro J. Stanley

PARISH NOTES FOR NOVEMBER 17, 2024

SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER 17– 23, 2024

Parish Office Hours This Week:
Tuesday and Wednesday – 9:00am to 2:30pm
Friday – 9:00am to 12:30pm

Sunday	**8:00 a.m.**	**Holy Eucharist, Sanctuary**
	9:30 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
	10:30 a.m.	**Holy Eucharist, Sanctuary**
Tuesday	6:00p.m.	Grief Support Group, Zoom
	7:00p.m.	Tuesdayers, Zoom
Wednesday	**12:00p.m.**	**Noonday Prayer, Zoom**
	5:30 p.m.	Executive Committee, Zoom
	7:30 p.m.	WomenSpirit, Zoom
Thursday	4:00p.m.	Children's Pre- Choir Rehearsal, Games and Homework Time
	5:00p.m.	Children's Choir Rehearsal
	7:00p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
	7:00p.m.	St. Alban's Bible Study, Zoom

* JOIN US AFTER THE 10:30 AM SERVICE FOR COFFEE HOUR IN THE NICHOLAS ROOM

Join members of Christ Church **TODAY** for a "Packing Party"!

Supplies will be packed for the Choice Food and Resource after the 10:30am service.

We hope to see you there!





Have you completed your online Pledge Certificate for 2025? The link is located in the weekly email. A paper copy can be found on the table in the back of the church.

Thank you to those who have pledged $209,714 to date.

Mervis Johnson
Mark McMahon and Roberto Silva Moreira
Sheila Cooper
H. Arthur Phills
Sarah Braun
The Pullaro Family
Jo Duhr
Wendy Benjamin
Vincent Ryan
Elizabeth and Jonathan Clark
Gordon Arsenoff
Jean Houvener
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Eleanor Forbes
Karen Bemis
Gloria Peroune
Joan Borden
Fernanda Perrone
Debra Lowe
B Pat Lowe
James Nichols and Lori Covey
Towanda Stovall

Our work TOGETHER depends on your support.



Join The Christ Church Grief Support Group

Next session is this Tuesday, November 19 at 6pm.

This six-session series is for adults grieving the death of a loved one. The group includes education about grief and loss and provides participants an opportunity to share their experience.

Allow us to connect ***hand-in-hand*** with you!

6pm-7pm: November 19; December 17; January 7 & 21.
Zoom link:
https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88251220962?pwd=JZe07lfHvdr441lMlLKSxrgR3CzFQL.1
Meeting ID: 882 5122 0962 Passcode: 782916
Sessions will **not** be recorded.

Candlelight Vigil for
Trans Day of Remembrance
Wednesday, November 20, 2024 7:00pm
Monument Park

Vestry Key Topics

1) The Vestry reflected on the wonderfully interactive Prayer-full Retreat from November 9.

2) The Vestry is celebrating receiving an ECS grant for the Hand-iLift and Rotating Men's Shelter.

3) The Vestry reviewed the draft budget shared that will be voted on at their special meeting on Dec. 8.



Would you like to join the Vestry or become a Diocesan Convention Deputy or Alternate? Know someone who may be great for the position?

If yes, please fill out the nomination form
located on the table in the back of the church and in the weekly email.


Interfaith Thanksgiving Service
New Brunswick Interfaith Alliance
Presents
A Service of Prayer, Hope, and Unity
Tuesday, November 26, 2024
7:00 p.m.
Sacred Heart Church
56 Throop Avenue, New Brunswick, New Jersey
Parking lot entrance is on Townsend Street

NOVEMBER 17, 2024
TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST

taking faith home

Our hope is in the steadfast love of God.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	**Mark 13:1-8**	**The signs of the end of the age**
Monday	**Daniel 12:1-3**	**The resurrection of the dead**
Tuesday	**Hebrews 10:11-25**	**A call to perseverance**
Wednesday	**Romans 12:9-13**	**Marks of a true Christian**
Thursday	**Ephesians 1:15-23**	**Paul's prayer**
Friday	**2 Corinthians 4:13-18**	**Living by faith**
Saturday	**Psalm 16**	**A life centered on the Lord**
Sunday	**John 18:33-37**	**Jesus, the king of truth**

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

"For nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs." **Mark 13:8 (NRSV)**

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:
Everlasting God, in the midst of troubles and uncertainties, give us faith to rely on your goodness and mercy through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:
Dear God, for daily bread that gives us strength and for your promise to always be with us that gives us courage, we give you thanks through Jesus Christ. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:
May God give you steadfast love and hope through Jesus Christ.

MILESTONES MINISTRY

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NOVEMBER 17, 2024

taking faith home

HYMN OF THE WEEK

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

WEEKLY MILESTONES

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- What events in our world do you see that give you concern about the future?
- Do you turn to God during difficult times? Explain.

DEVOTIONS

Read: Mark 13:1-8.

Throughout history, we have tried to grasp the intensity of Jesus' words found in this passage. The Gospel of Mark was likely written around 70 AD. It was a time of deep uncertainty and violence for Jews. Roman occupation forces were using their power to decimate Jewish resistance. The Jerusalem temple would be destroyed and hundreds of thousands of Jews would die. In our own lifetime, we have experienced wars, a pandemic, racial and political unrest, climate change, and more. Life is full of uncertainties. We look for security in the future. Jesus makes it clear that a building (a temple or other place of worship) is not the answer. Institutions, whether social, political, or religious, are not the answer. We are not to be deceived. Jesus also makes it clear that our only solid rock and hope is in the steadfast love of God. God is the one who takes chaos and makes it into a good and beautiful creation. God is the one who takes the cross and makes of it the birth of new life that will never be conquered by sin, death, or the evil one.

Discuss: When you look at the future, where do you place your hope?

Pray: **Almighty God, help us to rely on you above all things that our lives may find hope and peace through Christ Jesus, the one who rules over all with grace and mercy. Amen.**

SERVICE

Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings and theme for this week, how can you help someone who is anxious about the future?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Psalm 16:7 says, *"I bless the LORD who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me."* When we read or listen to God's Word at the end of the day, our hearts and minds are filled with good things that carry us through the night. Even as we sleep God's Spirit is at work, ministering to us and leading us. Spend a few moments reading or listening to God's Word before you go to sleep. Use a storybook Bible for bedtime stories with children. Before turning off the lights, pray the Lord's Prayer.

MILESTONES MINISTRY

In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: **www.milestonesministry.org**

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

	November 17	November 24 Reign of Christ
Presider	Rev. Joanna Hollis	Rev. Joanna Hollis
Preacher	Rev. Joanna Hollis	Jane Esmonde
Deacon		Rev. Daphne Roberts
Organist	Suzanne McDonald	Suzanne McDonald
8:00 a.m.	**8 AM**	**8 AM**
Lector & Intercessor	Mark McMahon	Kevin Stansbury
LEM *LEM will read the Epistle*	Kevin Stansbury	Debra Lowe
Vestry Announcements	Sheila Cooper	Jim Nichols
Ushers		
Altar Guild	Mervis Johnson Margaret Brown- Stansbury	Nancy Walworth/ Sheila Cooper
10:30 a.m.	**10:30 A.M.**	**10:30 A.M.**
Lector & Intercessor	Doreen Sirjue	Eleanor Forbes
LEM *LEM will read the Epistle*		Mel Garber
Acolyte / Server	Graciela & Nico Adames, Inori Walsh-	
Vestry Announcements	Meegan Adames	Gorden Arsenoff
Usher	Peggy Smith, Mel Garber	Peggy Smith
Production Minister	Jason Kaelber	Steve Caruso
Altar Guild	Mervis Johnson Margaret Brown- Stansbury	Nancy Walworth/ Sheila Cooper
Coffee Hour		
Counters		

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EVERYONE IS WELCOME HERE.

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