September 8, 2024
The Sixteenth 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— *Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Andre, Arnold, Barb, Barbara, Bettye, Christine, Danielle, Doreen, Dorothy, Edith, Eleanor, Isobel, Jacqueline, Jeannine, Jim, Jim, Jonathan, Joy, Joyce, Karl, Lenora, Linda, Mark F., Mary, Matthew, Matthew S., Sarah, Shawn, Sheila, Tabby, Timothy, and Vivian.*

Anglican Cycle *– The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma)*

Diocesan Cycle *– Members and Ministry of the Diocesan Congregational Development Team*

Christ Church Ministry *– Lay Eucharistic Ministers and Visitors*

Birthdays this week *– Gloria Allen, Emma Chant, Wilfredo Coriano, John Egekeze, Zoe Jarrett, J Mary Nelson, Caleb Ola-Pratt, Owen Thomas, Dorothy Walworth.*

Memorial Flowers— *are given by Mrs. Ray O. Peck in memory of Charlette S. McCrelis, Kathryn and Cornelius B. McCrelis, Jr., Raymond O. Peck Jr., the Sullivan Family in memory of Frances Remsen and John Dennis Sullivan.*

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. Roberts -732.991.6733.

If you would like to schedule home communion, please contact Rev. Joanna 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 *Trumpet Tune* A. Carter

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,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**
Presider Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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The rich and the poor have this in common:
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Whoever sows injustice will reap calamity,
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Those who are generous are blessed,
for they share their bread with the poor.

Do not rob the poor because they are poor,
or crush the afflicted at the gate;

for the LORD pleads their cause
and despoils of life those who despoil them.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 125

1 Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount Zion, *
which cannot be moved, but stands fast for ever.

2 The hills stand about Jerusalem; *
**so does the LORD stand round about his people,
from this time forth for evermore.**

3 The scepter of the wicked shall not hold sway over the land allotted to the just, *
so that the just shall not put their hands to evil.

4 Show your goodness, O LORD, to those who are good *
and to those who are true of heart.

5 As for those who turn aside to crooked ways,
the LORD will lead them away with the evildoers; *
but peace be upon Israel.

THE EPISTLE: James 2:1-10, [11-13], 14-17

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

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Reader 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.

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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

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY HYMN "When Christ was Lifted From the Earth"

The Blue *Hymnal 1982 # 603*

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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.**

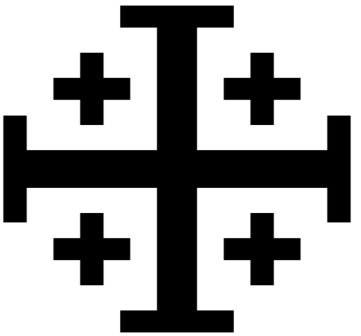
AFTER COMMUNION

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 *Down to the River to Pray* M. Kim



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THE HOLY EUCHARIST: ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP *PEW LEAFLET*
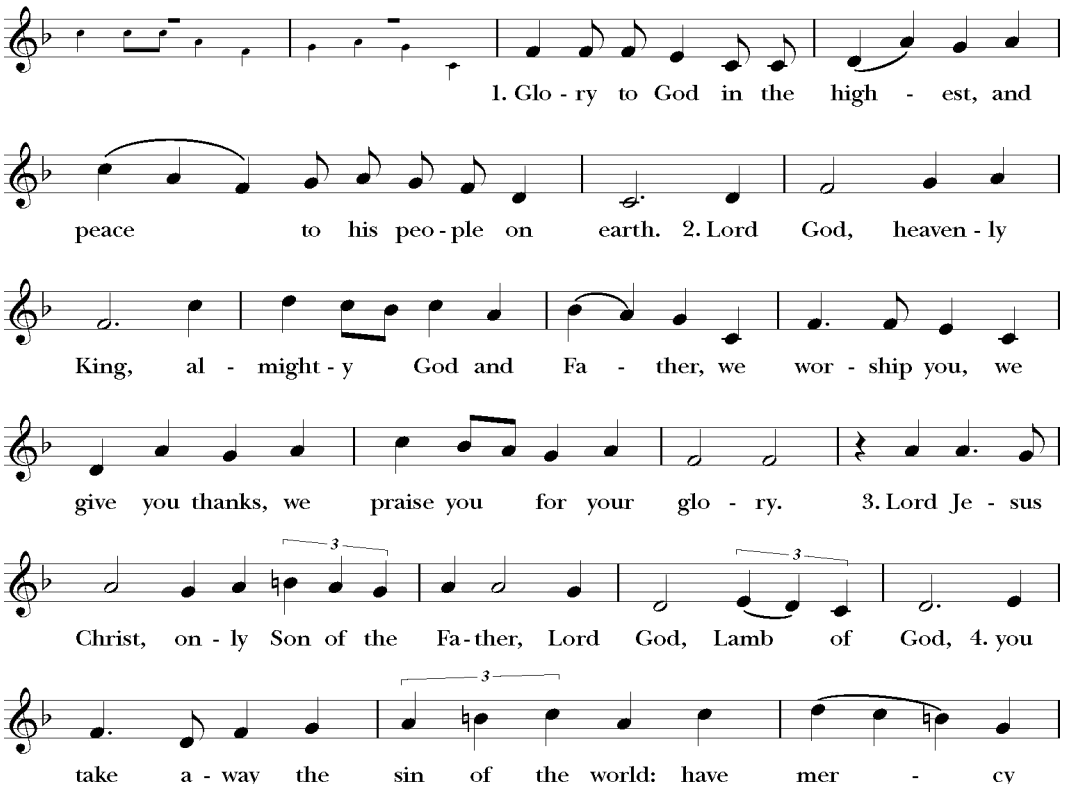
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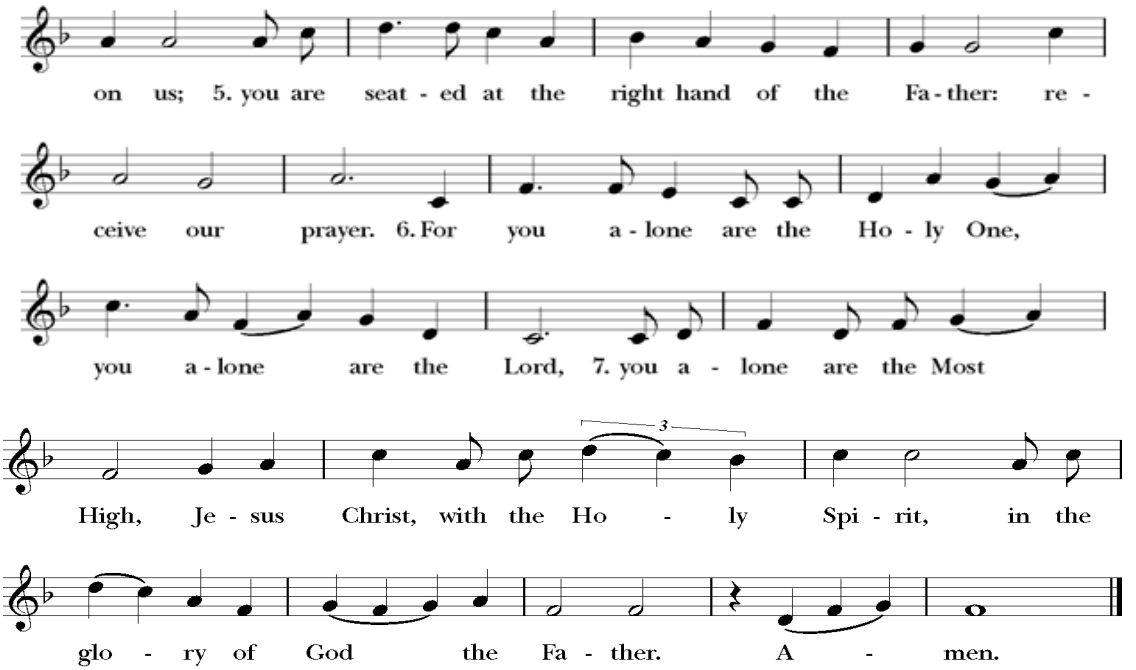
ENTRANCE HYMN "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation" **The Blue *Hymnal 1982 # 518***

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*





THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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GRADUAL HYMN "Joyful, Joyful " **The Blue *Hymnal 1982*, # 376**

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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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

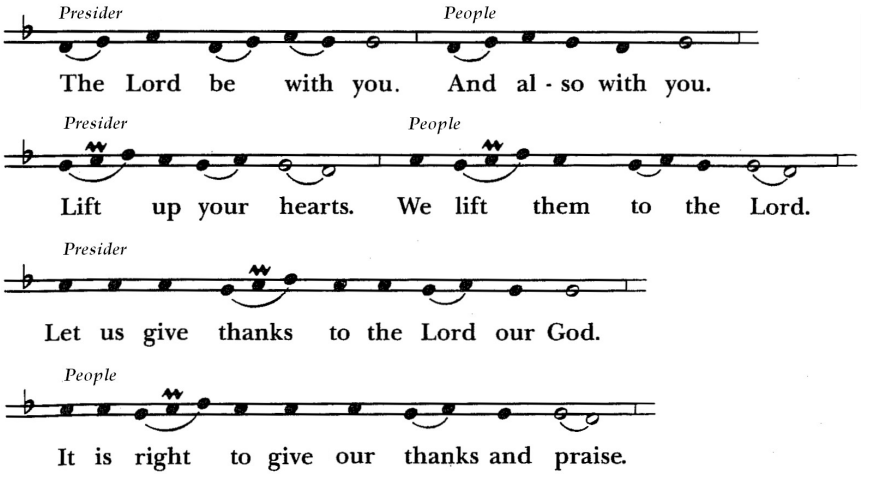
All who are able please stand and sing the following hymn

OFFERTORY HYMN "When Christ was Lifted From the Earth"

The Blue *Hymnal 1982 # 603*

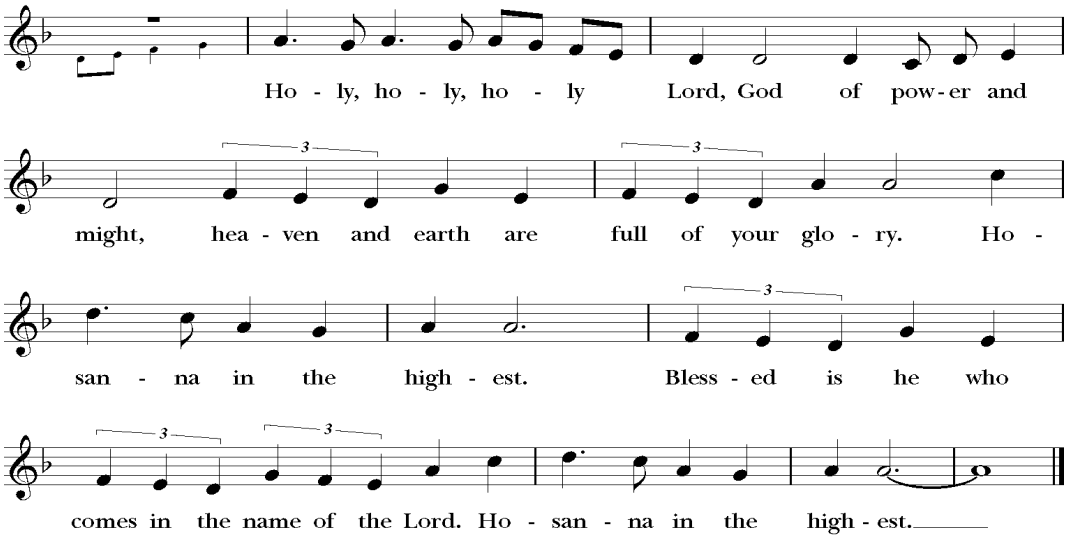
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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING EOW, *Eucharistic Prayer 1*



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.

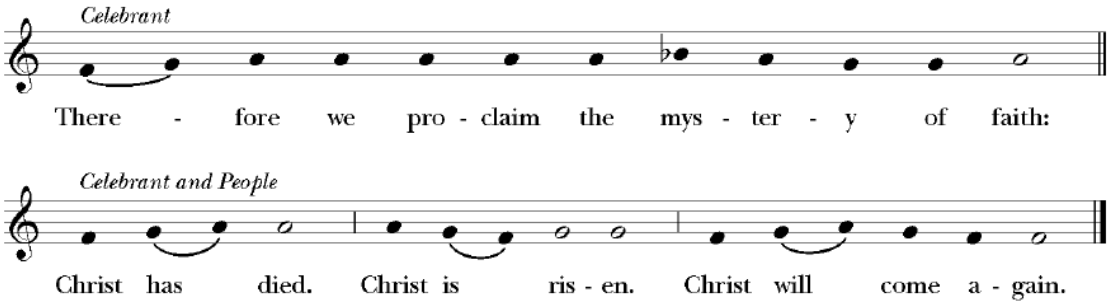
Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, 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."

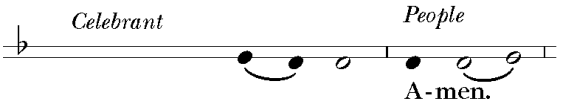
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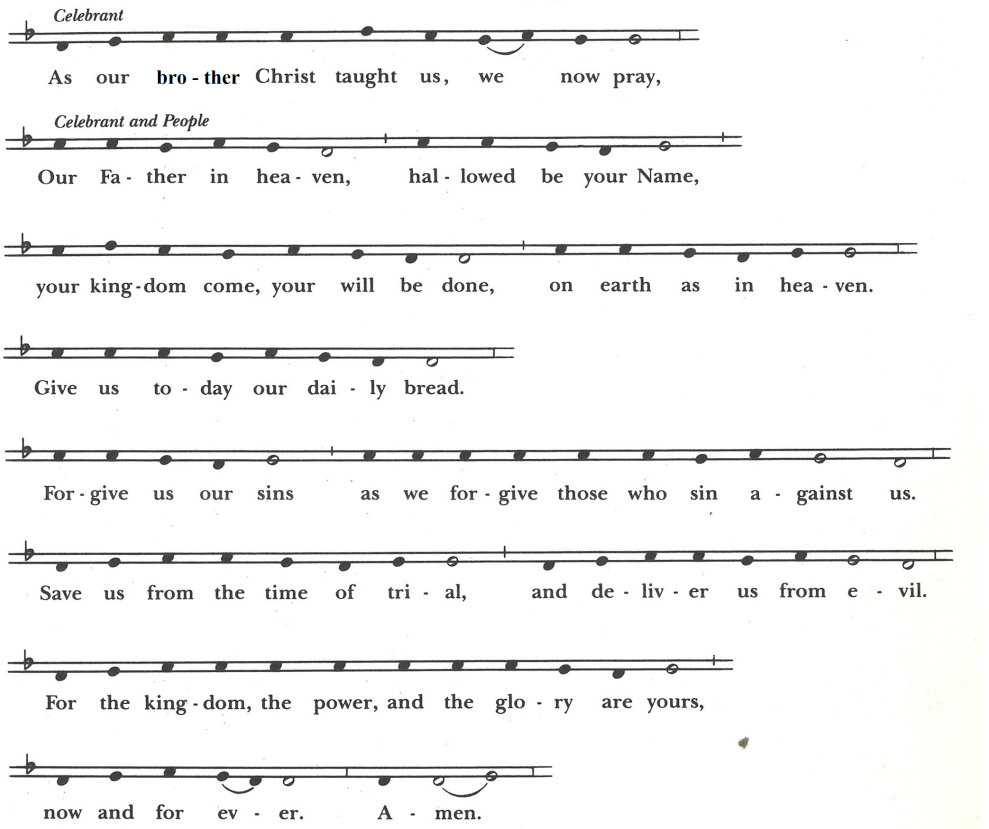
Presider Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, 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



ALL *Ambrosian chant; adapt. Mason Martens*
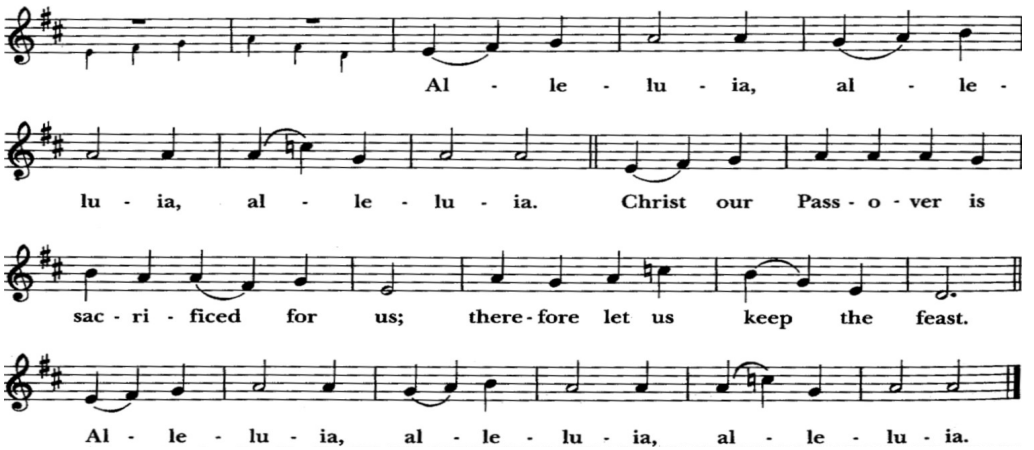


BREAKING THE BREAD

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.**

COMMUNION HYMN "Jesu, Jesu Fill Us With Your Love " **Red *LEVAS* II Hymnal, # 74**

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.

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.**

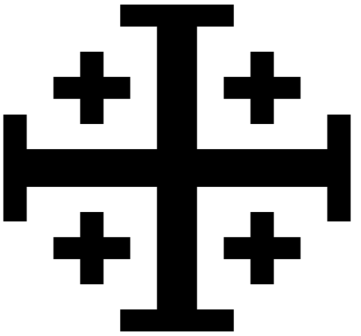
FINAL HYMN "Those Whose Almighty Word" **The Blue *Hymnal* 1982, # 371**

BLESSING & DISMISSAL *From* Feasting on the Word

The Presider will give the blessing.
People **Amen.**

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

POSTLUDE *Down to the River to Pray* M. Kim



PARISH NOTES FOR SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

SCHEDULE FOR SEPTEMBER 8—14, 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**
Wednesday	**12:00p.m.**	**Noonday Prayer, Zoom**
	7:30 p.m.	WomenSpirit, Ross Room
Thursday	7:00p.m.	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

Music Ministry Meetup



Grab Your Coffee After Service **TODAY** and Join Us in the Ross Room to Discuss Musical Opportunities for Our Children and Youth

Are you interested in helping the young people in our church community develop strong musical skills and learn more about our liturgical traditions? Join us in the Ross Room following the service **TODAY** for a special meeting to explore musical ministry opportunities. We'll discuss options for your children and youth to get involved, whether through singing in the choir, or playing an instrument, or other ways to share their talents in service to the church and community. This is a chance for parents, caregivers, and music-loving congregation members to come together, brainstorm ideas, and work collaboratively to nurture the musical gifts of our young people. Music has the power to uplift, inspire, and connect us in profound ways. Let's harness that power and create meaningful musical opportunities that allow our children and youth to grow, explore their faith, and share their gifts.



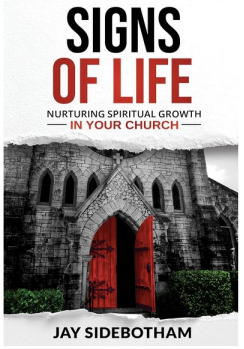
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The Tuesdayers' Next Topic:
"Signs of Life" and RenewalWorks

"Signs of Life: Nurturing Spiritual Growth in Your Church" by Jay Sidebotham offers a clear-eyed consideration of the challenges facing congregations as well as a celebration of practices that contribute to spiritual vitality in congregations. These best practice principles emerge from a ministry called RenewalWorks, a concerted effort to make spiritual growth a priority in congregations and to build cultures of discipleship within them. The Tuesdayers shall discuss this book as well as complete the workshops of RenewalWorks that draw upon the data from our parish's spiritual inventory survey. We invite you to join the process, which will start on September 17. We meet over Zoom on Tuesdays (except the second of the month), 7:00-8:30 pm. For more information contact Jonathan Clark at im4canoes@yahoo.com.

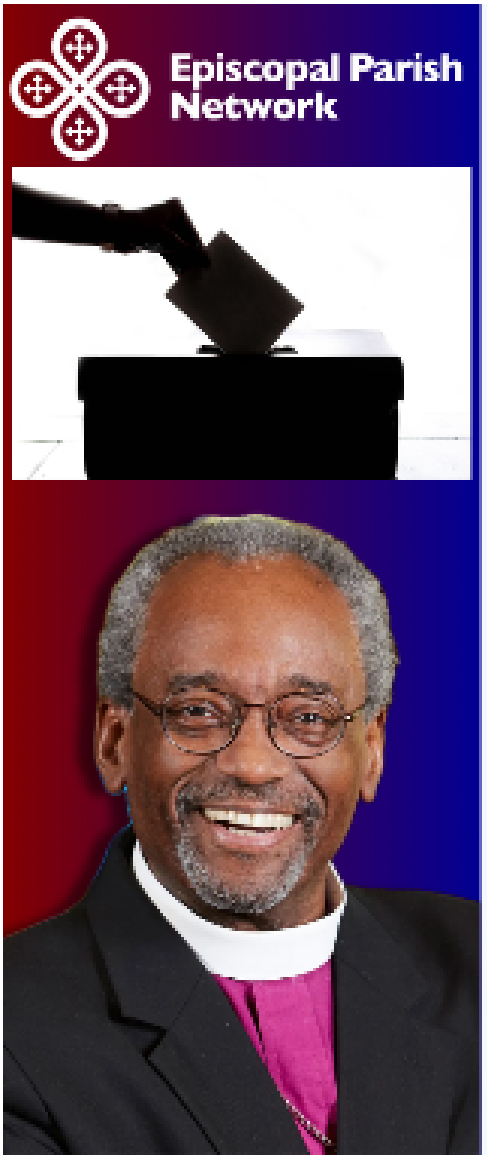
Vote Faithfully: Episcopalians Engaging the U.S. Election

will be on

Thursday, *September 18th* | 1:00pm EDT

Note: This event occurs **earlier than our traditional 3:00pm time.*

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Please contact Rev. Joanna if you are planning to attend.



LAY MINISTRY TRAINING

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH
2 PM - 4 PM
HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH
SOUTH RIVER, NJ

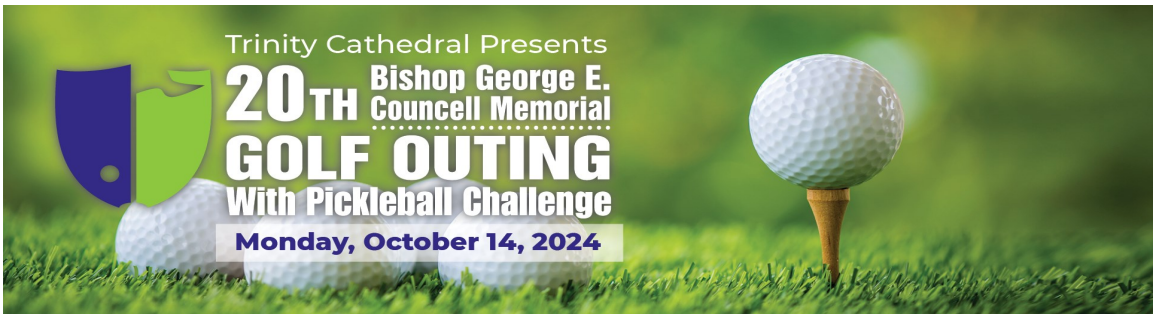
Would you like to serve Communion at the altar? Bring the Body and Blood to those who can't attend church? You are invited to learn more about how to become a Licensed Lay Minister in the Diocese of New Jersey at our free training workshop! To sign up, please email Canon Susanna Cates at scates@dioceseofnj.org by Wednesday, September 25th.



Bring your pet for a
special blessing for the year!

Saturday, October 12, 2024 @ 1pm.

Franklin Animal Shelter
475 DeMott Lane
Somerset, NJ 08873



Join the 20th Bishop George E Councell Memorial Golf Outing with Pickleball Challenge on Monday, October 14, 2024 at Mercer Oaks Golf Course West Windsor, NJ.

Use the link below to register.
https://app.eventcaddy.com/events/george-e-councell-memorial-golf-outing

SEPTEMBER 8, 2024
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST

taking faith home

We praise God through acts of kindness.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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

Sunday	**Mark 7:24-37**	**Jesus heals the Gentiles**
Monday	**Isaiah 35:4-7a**	**Return of the exiled**
Tuesday	**James 2:1-17**	**Faith without works is dead**
Wednesday	**Ephesians 1:3-14**	**Spiritual blessings in Christ**
Thursday	**Daniel 2:17-23**	**Nebuchadnezzar's dream**
Friday	**2 Samuel 22:47-51**	**God is the living Lord**
Saturday	**Psalm 146**	**Praise for God's help**
Sunday	**Mark 8:27-38**	**Taking up the cross**

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul! I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long.
Psalm 146:1-2 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:
Dear God, we praise you for your loving kindness that restores us, carries out justice, and fills our lives with your goodness and mercy through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:
Dear God, we thank you for restoring us with strength today with this gift of food. Help us to praise you with acts of kindness that help feed others, too. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:
May you see the goodness of God each and every day.

MILESTONES MINISTRY

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SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

taking faith home

HYMN OF THE WEEK

Soli Deo Gloria

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:

- When is a time you or someone you know was praised for an act of kindness? Explain.
- What actions lead you to praise God?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Psalm 146.

This is the first in a series of five psalms of praise. It introduces many reasons to give God praise. We are to praise and trust God, not human leaders who are mortal and limited in their abilities. Mortal leaders are not necessarily bad, but in contrast to God, they can disappoint. The one worthy of praise is described as the one who creates all things, who gives justice for those who are oppressed, who gives food to the hungry, who sets prisoners free, and who heals the body and spirit of those in need. God cares for those who live at the margins: the strangers, the orphan, and the widow. Knowing the kind of God we have, our praise to God is not only in words and song but shown in the way we live our lives. We praise God with deeds of compassion: our search for fair treatment of those who are hungry, those who are seen as without value, and those living with infirmities. In the reading from Mark 7:24-37, we see in Jesus the one who does all these things as he heals a foreign woman's daughter and a man who wanted to hear and speak clearly.

Discuss: How have you praised God through a deed of compassion?

Pray: **God of justice and mercy, we praise you for your goodness that leads us to care for all people through Christ Jesus our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

SERVICE

Jesus calls us to serve our neighbor in love. Based on the Daily Bible Readings for this week, how can you show care for someone who is not being treated well in your community?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

September 8th is National Grandparent's Day in the United States. During this week, plan a special way to show appreciation for those who are or have treated you as a grandchild. Give thanks to God for them with prayer: **Loving God, thank you for the gift of grandparents and other older caregivers in our lives. Your kindness is shown in their love and care for us. Thank you for their wise minds, listening ears, and loving hearts. Amen.**

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

	September 8	**September 15**
Presider	Rev. Joanna Hollis	Rev. Joanna Hollis
Preacher	Rev. Joanna Hollis	Rev. Joanna Hollis
Deacon	Rev. Daphne Roberts	Rev. Daphne Roberts
Organist	Suzanne McDonald	Suzanne McDonald
8:00 a.m.	**8 AM**	**8 AM**
Lector & Intercessor	Mark McMahon	Meegan Adames
LEM *LEM will read the Epistle*	Sheila Cooper	Kevin Stansbury
Vestry Announcements	Mark McMahon	Sheila Cooper
Ushers		
Altar Guild	Nancy Walworth/ Sheila Cooper	Nancy Walworth / Sheila Cooper/ Margaret Brown- Stansbury
10:30 a.m.	**10:30 A.M.**	**10:30 A.M.**
Lector & Intercessor	Kelly-Jane Cotter	Doreen Sirjue
LEM *LEM will read the Epistle*	Jonathan Gloster	
Acolyte / Server		
Vestry Announcements	Meegan Adames	
Usher		
Production Minister	Steve Caruso/ Jason Kaelber	Steve Caruso/ Jason Kaelber
Altar Guild	Nancy Walworth/ Sheila Cooper	Nancy Walworth / Sheila Cooper/ Margaret Brown- Stansbury
Coffee Hour		
Counters		

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