The Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 25, 2025



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CHRIST CHURCH

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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 Easter 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.

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— *Arnold, Barb, Brianna, Dennis, Doreen, Edith, Erica, Florence, Georgia, Hansford, Jean, Jeannine, Jefferson, Jim, Julia, Kristen, Margaret, Pam, Pat, Robert, Stanford, Steve, Thalia, Theayer, Timothy, Tisha, Vivian*
Anglican Cycle *– we pray for The Anglican Church of Kenya*
Diocesan Cycle *– Ministry of Parish Administrators*
Christ Church Ministry *– Prayer Ministry*
Birthdays this week *– Douglass Bonar, Francis Clarke, Oluchi Egekeze, John Harbour, H. Arthur Phills, Marianne Rydel, Clara Scott, Lucy Scott, Marva VanLoo, Kristen Zdanowicz*
Memorial Flowers— *are given by Mr. James J. Bates in memory of Reba and John Quad*

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
Christ Church New Brunswick

May 25, 2025
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8:00 AM



THE HOLY EUCHARIST

PRELUDE *Intermezzo* J. Denton

THE WORD OF GOD

All who are able please stand as the ministers enter and sing

The Presider welcomes the congregation, and then says

Presider Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

COLLECT OF PURITY *BCP, page 324*

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 *BCP, page 324*

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

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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

PSALM 67

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show us the light of his countenance and come to us.
2 Let your ways be known upon earth, *
your saving health among all nations.
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let all the peoples praise you.
4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, *
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide all the nations upon earth.
5 Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
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6 The earth has brought forth her increase; *
may God, our own God, give us his blessing.
7 May God give us his blessing, *
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

THE EPISTLE *Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5*

And in the spirit he carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

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THE GOSPEL — John 5:1-9

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

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

SERMON — Rev. Daphne Roberts

All who are able please stand

RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS — *BCP, pg. 304*

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader Let us pray to our God, saying "In the joy of the Resurrection," 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 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 "Shall we Gather at the River "

Red LEVAS *Hymnal*, #141

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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; but chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the very Paschal Lamb, and hath taken away the sin of the world; who by his death hath destroyed death, and by his rising to life again hath won for us everlasting life. 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. After a period of silence, all sing

Presider Alleluia! Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

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

INVITATION

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Recipient **Amen.**
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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

Presider 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; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

People **Amen.**

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Postlude *Hymn Fantasia on Eternal Father Strong to Save* C. Callahan

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST

PRELUDE *Intermezzo* J. Denton

Please stand and sing at the Procession

ENTRANCE HYMN "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation" **The Blue *Hymnal* 1982 #518**

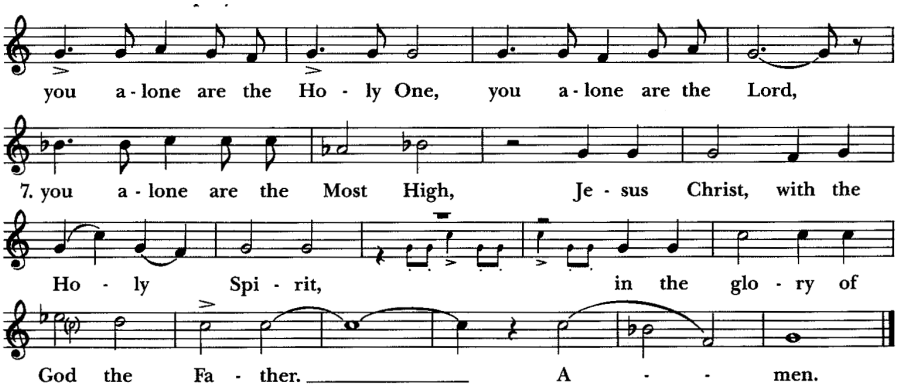
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People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

GLORIA *The Blue Hymnal 1982, S,* **#278**
William Mathias





Silence is kept for a space

THE COLLECT

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People **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN "How Wondrous and Great thy Works, God of Praise"

The Blue *Hymnal* 1982 #533

THE GOSPEL John 5:1-9

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

After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids—blind, lame, and paralyzed. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me." Jesus said to him, "Stand up, take your mat and walk." At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a sabbath.

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

SERMON Rev. Daphne Roberts

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PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATE *BCP, pg. 301*

BAPTISMAL COVENANT *BCP, pg. 304*

THE PRAYERS *BCP, pg. 305*

THE BAPTISM *BCP, pg. 307*

THE PEACE

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

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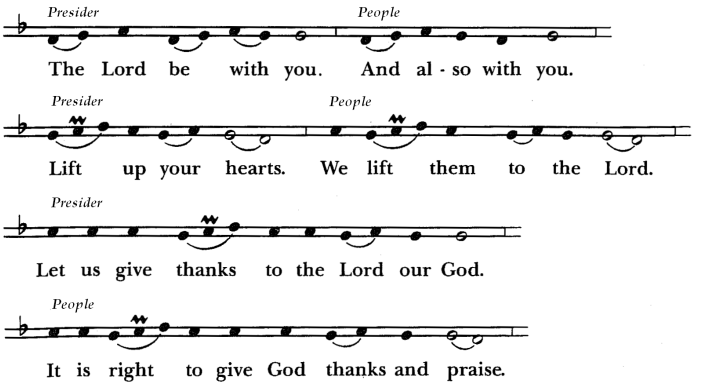
THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY HYMN "All Things Bright and Beautiful" **The Blue *Hymnal* 1982 #405**

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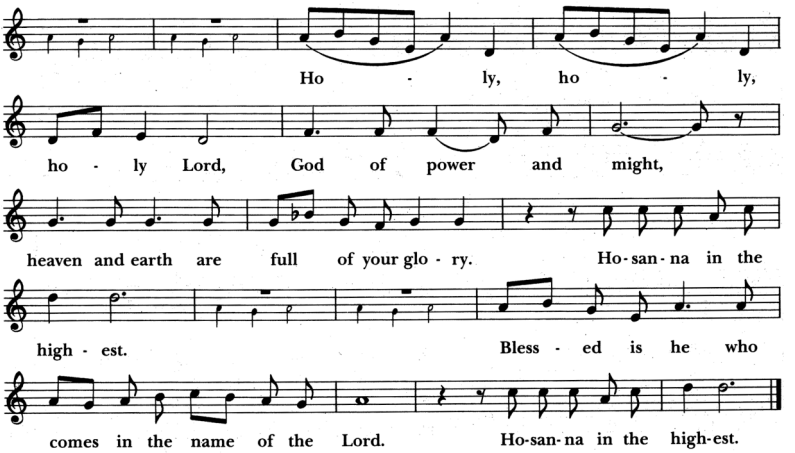
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Adapt. from Janet Morley,
All Desires Known



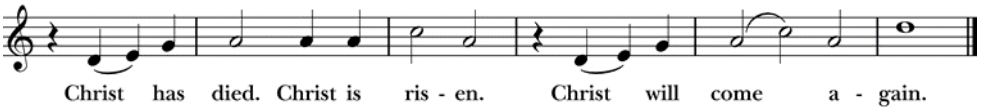
Presider Loving and life-giving God, we praise you and give you thanks for having created us—people in your image. In Jesus Christ you broke forth from the grave; before the stone was moved, and the tomb of our world was opened wide. You were raised in power and revealed yourself to us as a beloved stranger, offering for the rituals of the dead the terror of new life and the comfort of hope. Therefore, with the woman who gave you birth, with the friends who loved you, mourned for you, and met you, risen from the dead; and with all the holy ones throughout the ages, we praise you, singing:

People *The Blue Hymnal 1982, S*, **#128**
William Mathias



Presider Blessed is our brother Jesus, who walks with us the road of our grief, and is known again in the breaking of bread; who on the night he was handed over, took bread, gave thanks, broke it, and said: "This is my body, which is for you. Do this to remember me." In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this whenever you drink it, to remember me." And so in faith we pray:

People *The Blue Hymnal 1982, S*, **#135**



Presider Remembering Jesus and the power of your love revealed through him, we ask you, Father and Mother and Friend of All, to bless this bread and this wine, making it for us the body and blood of Jesus the Christ. As we eat this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim Christ's death and resurrection. In the body broken and the blood poured out, we restore to memory and hope the broken and unremembered victims of tyranny and sin; and we long for the bread of tomorrow and the wine of the age to come.

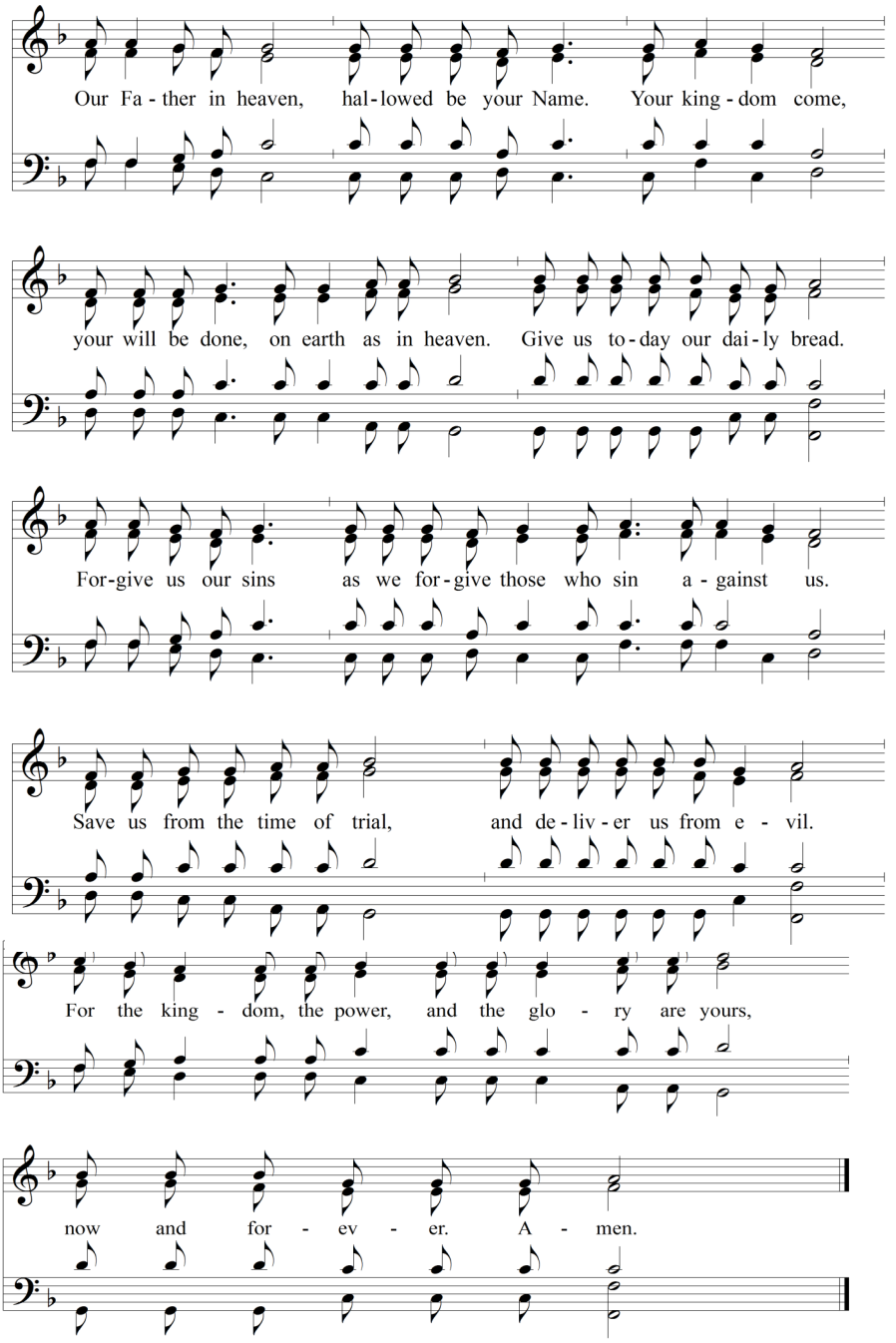
Presider Come now disturbing spirit of our God,

People **Breathe on this bread and wine and make them the body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Breathe on us and make us one with Christ. Open our graves, unbind our eyes, and claim us here. Touch and heal all that has been buried in us that we need not cling to our past, but may go forth with power to release resurrection in the world. Amen.**

Presider As our brother Christ taught us, we now pray,

ALL

Nicolai Rimsky-Korsakov
From the Liturgy of St. Chrysostom, Op. 22



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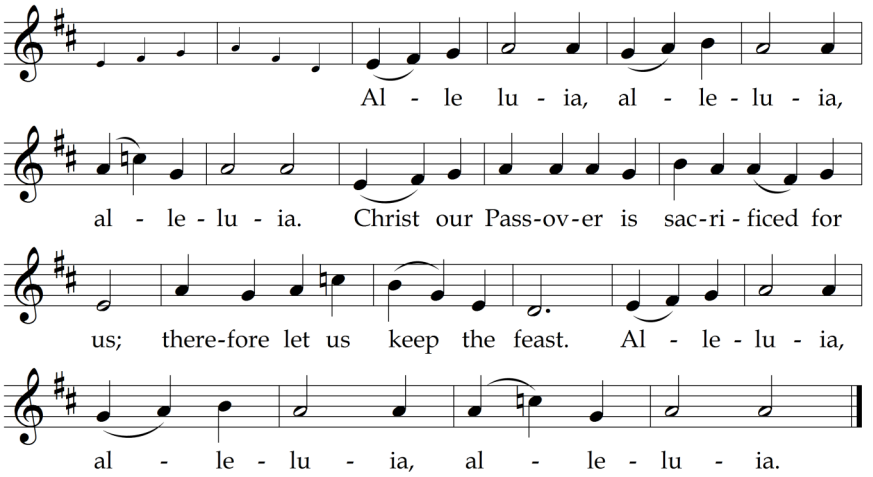
Spiritual Communion Prayer For Those Joining Us Online:

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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Presider breaks the bread. Then All sing

ALL *Gerald Near*



COMMUNION HYMN "Shall we Gather at the River" **Red LEVAS *Hymnal*, #141**

All who are able please stand

AFTER COMMUNION *From* Enriching Our Worship

Presider *Let us pray.*

People **Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

FINAL HYMN "Eternal Father, strong to save (Melita)" **The Blue *Hymnal* 1982 #608**

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

From Feasting on the Word

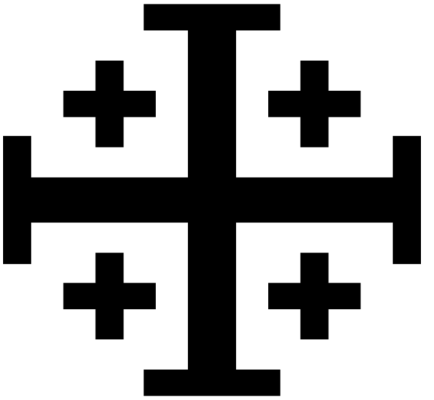
Presider Now may the truth of the empty tomb—the astonishing reality of Jesus' resurrection—keep you fearless and sure that you will see the Resurrected One again and again in this life. May the power of God's endless love surround you and guide you this day and always.

People **Amen.**

Deacon Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia!

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

POSTLUDE *Hymn Fantasia on Eternal Father Strong to Save* C. Callahan

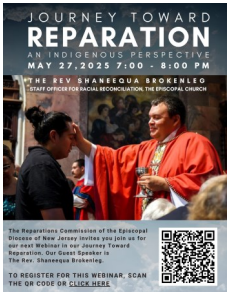


Parish Notes

Parish Schedule for May 25– May 31, 2025
Parish Office Hours This Week:
Tuesday and Wednesday – 9:30am to 3:00pm
Friday – 9:30am to 1:00pm

Sunday	**8:00 a.m.**	**Holy Eucharist, Sanctuary**
	9:30 a.m.	Choir Warm Up, Sanctuary
	9:30 a.m.	Church School, Ross Room
	10:30 a.m.	**Holy Eucharist, Sanctuary**
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Tuesdayers, Zoom
Wednesday	**12:00p.m.**	**Noonday Prayer, Zoom**
	7:30 p.m.	WomenSpirit, Zoom
Thursday	4:00 p.m.	Children's Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

*Join Us AFTER THE 10:30 AM Service for Coffee Hour in the Nicholas Room



The Diocese of New Jersey Reparations Commission invites you to participate in a webinar **"Journey Toward Reparation: An Indigenous Perspective"** on May 27, 2025, at 7:00 PM (EDT). The guest speaker is The Reverend Shaneequa Brokenleg, Staff Officer for Racial Reconciliation, The Episcopal Church.

To register and receive the zoom link to join the event, use this link or the QR code on the attached flyer.

https://dioceseofnj.zoom.us/meeting/register/AGJigBYZRh2m1Jgh4B6wow

Sign up to receive daily email from EJI HISTORY OF RACIAL INJUSTICE, heartbreaking daily history lessons. https://calendar.eji.org/sign-up



Spring Clean-Up at Christ Church
Join us for our **Annual Spring Clean-Up Day** at **Christ Church**!

🗓️ **Date:** Saturday, May 31

🕑 **Time:** 10:00 AM

📍 **Location:** Christ Church Grounds

Let's come together as a community to refresh and beautify our church grounds. All ages are welcome—bring your gloves, tools, and plenty of energy!

We look forward to seeing you there!



Join Christ Church member Anna Rose Gable, an ESL teacher, for a discussion of challenges facing Christ Church's undocumented neighbors, and learn about various ways to get involved in efforts to provide relief.

We will meet in the Children's Chapel after each service on **Sunday, June 1, 2025.**

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Paul Ambos, will be placing a new card order on the morning of **Monday, June 2**. Please place your orders accordingly. If you plan to mail him an order with a check, please (a) mail it by **Wednesday, May 28**, or, better, (b) advise him by email when you mail it of what your order is so he can place it on time despite possible Post Office delays. Or, if you place your own order directly on the RaiseRight website or app, Paul will be able to see it there when he orders the monthly batch.

You can avoid writing Paul a check by using their payment options through your checking account of credit card (checking costs a 29 cent charge per order; credit cards charge a percentage that is usually more). And if you want physical cards delivered directly to your home, you can do that through the app, although you will be charged for delivery. If you order for delivery through him, the church covers the delivery charge.

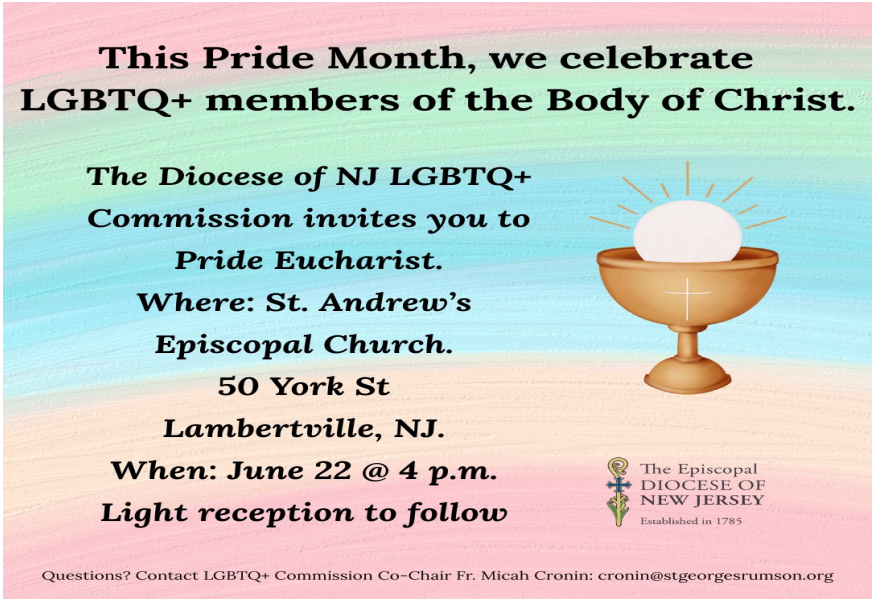


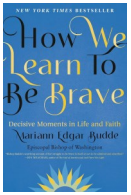
Christ Church 1st Sunday Communion Bread

Calling All Bakers (and Aspiring Ones Too)!

We're on the lookout for warm-hearted volunteers to bake Communion Bread for the 1st Sunday of each month. Whether you're a seasoned baker or just love the smell of fresh bread, this is a beautiful way to serve our church family!

Want to learn more (including the recipe!) and sign up?
Click the button in the weekly email.





TheTuesdayers' Next Book: "How We Learn to Be Brave: Decisive Moments in Life and Faith"

This is an inspirational guide to the key junctures in life that, if navigated with faith and discernment, pave the way for us to become our most courageous selves. Episcopal bishop Mariann Edgar Budde teaches us that being brave is not a singular occurrence; it's a journey that we can choose to undertake every day. Readers will learn to live and to respond according to their true beliefs and in ways that align with their best selves. Bishop Budde provides much-needed fortitude and insight to anyone searching for answers in uncertain times. The Tuesdayers invite you to join our discussion. 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.

Vestry Key Topics

1) The Vestry welcomes Jeff Fields and Ashlinn Stansbury-Fields as chairpersons of the Stewardship Committee and looks forward to working with them and supporting them with the ministry.

2) The Vestry voted to participate in a local initiative to provide showers to the houseless during the summer months. A special collection will be made on Pentecost Sunday, June 8th, and whatever is raised through the collection will be matched by Christ Church up to a maximum of $1,000.

3) The repair of the HandiLift is scheduled to begin in August.

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY

	May 25	June 1
Presider	Rev. Joanna Hollis	Rev. Joanna Hollis
Preacher	Rev. Joanna Hollis	Rev. Joanna Hollis
Deacon	Daphne Roberts	
Organist	Suzanne McDonald	Suzanne McDonald
	8 AM	**8 AM**
Lector & Intercessor	Sheila Cooper	Jonathan Clark
LEM *LEM will read the Epistle*	Kevin Stansbury	Elizabeth Clark
Vestry Announcements	Debra Lowe	Jonathan Clark
Ushers		
Altar Guild	Mervis Johnson, Nancy Walworth	Nancy Walworth, Mervis Johnson
	10:30 A.M.	**10:30 A.M.**
Lector & Intercessor	Chris Davies	
LEM *LEM will read the Epistle*		
Acolyte / Server		
Vestry Announcements		
Usher		
Production Minister	Steve Caruso	Steve Caruso
Altar Guild	Mervis Johnson, Nancy Walworth	Nancy Walworth, Mervis Johnson
Coffee Hour	Chris & Darling Pratt-Davies	

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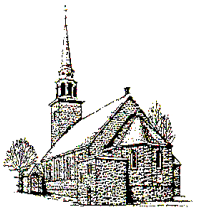
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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Historic Christ Church is a mutually supportive Christian community worshiping in the living Anglican tradition of beauty in liturgy and music. Christ Church bears witness to the love of Christ in prayer, service and fellowship.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME HERE.

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Brittney Girault, *Parish Administrator*
Elaine Winkler, *Bookkeeper*
Carlos Garcia, *Sexton*

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