

# CHRIST CHURCH

## THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN ASPEN



THE FIRST SUNDAY  
AFTER THE EPIPHANY  
JANUARY 10, 2021

*Welcome to Christ Church! We're glad you're worshiping with us today.*

*Be thoughtful, be silent, be reverent; for this is the House of God.*

*Before the service, speak to the Lord; during the service, let the Lord speak to you; after the service, speak to one another.*

We welcome you to this time of worship. We are glad to have you join us online.

The bulletin for our service of Ante-Communion can be found at [christchurchaspen.org](http://christchurchaspen.org) under the worship tab, click "service & handouts". The Bulletin is also linked in the description box below this YouTube video.

The Sunday Newspaper, with the announcements, is distributed electronically in our Sunday Morning enews.

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**10:00 AM**

**Prelude**

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**THE ANTE-COMMUNION, RITE II**

***The Book of Common Prayer, pp. 355-360***

***Gaelic Morning, Arr. Dan Forrest***

***Welcome***

**Warren Klug**

***Presider:*** Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

***People:*** **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

**The Collect for Purity**

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

**Gloria In Excelsis**

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

***Presider:*** The Lord be with you.

***People:*** **And also with you.**

***Presider:*** Let us pray.

**The Collect of the Day**

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

**THE LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD**

*A Reading from the Book of Genesis (Genesis 1:1-5)*

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

***Reader:*** The Word of the Lord

***People:*** **Thanks be to God.**

***A Reading from the Book of Psalms (Psalm 29)***

Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, \*  
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

**Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name; \*  
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.**

The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; \*  
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.

**The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; \*  
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.**

The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; \*  
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

**He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, \*  
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**

The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire; \*  
the voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; \*  
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

**The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe \*  
and strips the forests bare.**

And in the temple of the LORD \*  
all are crying, "Glory!"

**The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; \*  
the LORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.**

The LORD shall give strength to his people; \*  
the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. (Please be seated.)**

***A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 19:1-7)***

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the interior regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?" They replied, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." Then he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They answered, "Into John's baptism." Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus." On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied—altogether there were about twelve of them.

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

**The Gospel**

***The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark (Mark 1:4-11)***

***People: Glory to you, Lord Christ***

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

*Priest:* The Gospel of the Lord

***People: Praise to you, Lord Christ***



**THE VOICE OF THE  
LORD IS A  
POWERFUL VOICE**

**PSALM 29:4**

*A period of silence will be kept.*

***The Nicene Creed, (Please stand)***

**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.**

***Welcome / Announcements / Birthday & Anniversary Prayers / Travel Prayers***

***Offertory Music***

***Whiter Than Snow*, Arr. Heather Sorenson**

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***The Prayers of the People (Form III)***

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

***That we all may be one.***

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

***That your Name may be glorified by all people.***

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

***That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.***

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

***That there may be justice and peace on the earth.***

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

***That our works may find favor in your sight.***

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

***That they may be delivered from their distress.***

Give to the departed eternal rest.

***Let light perpetual shine upon them.***

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

***May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.***

In silence or aloud, let us pray for our own needs and the needs of others.

Let us pray for our families and friends at Christ Church, Aspen.

***Prayer list Names:***

***Christ Episcopal Church Members:*** *Repose of the Soul of Bob Cook, Diana Rumsey, Julia Munson, Catherine Cabaniss, Don Davis, Lindsay Gorman, Jessica & Philip Salet, George Baker, Margo & Keith Gardner, BobbiAnn Housma, All those serving their country, the young people and students of Aspen*  
***Friends and Family of CEC Members:*** *Jamie Lawrence, Warren Erbson, Heta & Hubert Townsend, Maude Jernagan, Tony Weglos and family, Brad Noel, Susan & Mickey Spalding, Petra Crimmel, Otto Bontempo*

We pray for the repose of the soul of Bob Cook. Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant *Bob*. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive *him* into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light. *Amen*.

The pandemic continues to plague people around the world, in our country and in our own community. God, you know what we need as numbers grow. You are the great physician, the great healer; and we ask for your help as we combat this awful virus. We pray for those who are sick, and we pray for healing. We pray for those who have died, and we pray for families who grieve. We pray for health care workers, and those who minister to people who are afflicted. We pray that vaccines will be available quickly. We pray for healing and health, to you, Lord Jesus.

### ***For Peace Among the Nations***

Almighty God our heavenly Father, guide the nations of the world into the way of justice and truth, and establish among them that peace which is the fruit of righteousness, that they may become the kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen*.

### ***A Prayer for our Country***

Almighty God, who hast given us this good land for our heritage: We humbly beseech thee that we may always prove ourselves a people mindful of thy favor and glad to do thy will. Bless our land with honorable industry, sound learning, and pure manners. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion; from pride and arrogance, and from every evil way. Defend our liberties, and fashion into one united people the multitudes brought hither out of many kindreds and tongues. Endue with the spirit of wisdom those to whom in thy Name we entrust the authority of government, that there may be justice and peace at home, and that, through obedience to thy law, we may show forth thy praise among the nations of the earth. In the time of prosperity, fill our hearts with thankfulness, and in the day of trouble, suffer not our trust in thee to fail; all which we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

### ***Let us pray for Christ Church***

Oh Lord, we pray for your continued blessing on Christ Church and all who are part of the ministries of this place. We pray for Peter, our Interim Rector, and for the leadership of Christ Church. Especially at this time of transition, we ask for your guidance as we pursue our rector search process. We know you have a plan for Christ Church, and we ask for your help as we work to discern your will. Be with us we pray. We lift up our prayer of praise, worship and thanksgiving in Jesus' name. Amen

*Please stand*

*Presider:* As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *Amen*.

*Presider:* Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good works, and give glory to God.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

Thank you for joining with members of Christ Church, Aspen in this time of worship. Have a blessed week.

### ***Postlude***

***A Clare Benediction***, John Rutter

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