



Welcome to Christ Church! We're glad you're worshipping 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.

10:00 AM

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

The Book of Common Prayer, pp. 355-366

Prelude

Since I Have Been Redeemed, Arr. Dan Forrest

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

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

The Collect for Purity

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

The Priest says: Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

(Please be seated.)

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD

The full texts can be found on the back page of the bulletin.

The First Lesson: *1 Samuel 15:34-16:13*

Psalm: *Psalm 20 (Please stand)*

The Second Lesson: *2 Corinthians 5:6-17*

The Gospel: *Mark 4:26-34 (Please stand)*

Sermon

The Rev. Hollis Wright

A period of silence will be kept.

The Nicene Creed, p. 358 (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.

Prayers of the People, Form IV

Let us pray for the Church and for the world. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. Lord, in your mercy. *Hear our prayer.*

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. Lord, in your mercy. *Hear our prayer.*

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. Lord, in your mercy. *Hear our prayer.*

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. Lord, in your mercy. *Hear our prayer.*

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. Lord, in your mercy. *Hear our prayer.*

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy. *Hear our prayer.*

We remember especially today the passing of Judy Zanin this week. Almighty God, we remember before you your faithful servant Judy, and having opened to her the gates of larger life, you will receive here more and more into your joyful service, that she may share in the eternal victory of Jesus Christ our Lord. We pray for Joe and Judy's family left behind. Thank you, God, for welcoming Judy into your Kingdom.

Today also we pray for all who are suffering from the coronavirus, here in our community, throughout our nation, and everywhere in the world. We pray for healing. We pray for those who have died, and for those who grieve their loss.

We pray for Christ Church and all who are part of this place. We pray for all who are connected to the ministry of Christ Church, and for every member of our parish family. We give thanks for the selection of our new Rector, and we pledge our best efforts to see that the ministry of our church will grow stronger day by day.

We pray for members of our Christ Church Family, and the special needs of those who are ill. We pray especially for Amelia and Ryan Davis, Peter and Julia, for Bob and Jan Blaich, for Marsha, Jessica and Philip, for Marsha, for Susan and Mickey, for Tony, for George Baker, for Keith, and for Bobbi Ann. We pray for Hillary and her newborn baby little James Stuart. We continue to pray for the development of little Otto.

We pray for all who serve this nation in uniform in nearby and far off places. We pray for the students of Aspen and their families, and for those who have graduated this spring.

In silence or aloud, we lift up prayers for our own needs and the needs of others.

Almighty God, we pray for your church throughout the world, and here in Aspen. Help us to better know your will and your way, and we pray that we will be about the work you have given us to do. We lift up these prayers with praise and thanksgiving as we worship you this day. Thank you Lord Jesus. Amen

Presider: Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:" Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Confession of Sin (*Stand or kneel*)

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

The Absolution and Comfortable Words

The Peace *All stand.*

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

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

Welcome / Announcements / Birthday & Anniversary Prayers / Travel Prayers

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Music

How Great Thou Art, Arr. Dan Forrest

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *(The people remain standing)*

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The Presider proceeds:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing...etc. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

(The people stand or kneel.)

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself...etc. Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Presider continues: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father...etc. ...All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.** [*The great AMEN is said as a loud acclamation.*]

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 Breaking of the Bread

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then the following is said:

Presider: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia**

Invitation and Distribution of Holy Communion

After the Invitation, members of the congregation will be invited to come pick up the blessed elements, one per person, at the altar rail. Please come up the center aisle and return to your seat via the outside aisle. After everyone has returned to their seats we will all receive communion together.

Communion Music

Feast of Glory, Arr. Ruth Elaine Schram

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Post-communion Prayer, p. 365

Presider and People: **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

A Blessing by the Priest

Presider: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

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

Postlude

Prelude in d minor BWV 926, J.S. Bach

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LESSONS, PSALM & GOSPEL

The First Lesson: 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13

Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the LORD was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel. The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the LORD said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the LORD." But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

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

The Second Lesson: 2 Corinthians 5:6-17

We are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord-- for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil. Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

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

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

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

The Gospel: Mark 4:26-34 (Please stand)

Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come." He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade." With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord. *People:* **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Psalm 20 (Please stand)

May the LORD answer you in the day of trouble, * the Name of the God of Jacob defend you;

**Send you help from his holy place *
and strengthen you out of Zion;**

Remember all your offerings *
and accept your burnt sacrifice;

**Grant you your heart's desire *
and prosper all your plans.**

We will shout for joy at your victory
and triumph in the Name of our God; *
may the LORD grant all your requests.

**Now I know that the LORD gives
victory to his anointed; *he will
answer him out of his holy heaven,
with the victorious strength of his
right hand.**

Some put their trust in chariots and some in horses, *but we will call upon the Name of the LORD our God.

**They collapse and fall down, *
but we will arise and stand upright.**

O LORD, give victory to the king *
and answer us when we call.

**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.)