CHRIST CHURCH

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN ASPEN



EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JULY 18, 2021

LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE

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

Hymns and service music are found in the blue Hymnal 1982. Text of prayers and lessons are included here.

Please join us for refreshments following the service, outside the front steps or in the Rowland Davis Hall (weather depending).

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

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God, Arr. Dan Forrest © 2016, 2021 by Breckenhorst Press, Inc.

Processional Hymn

Hymnal 362 vs 1, 3, 4, Holy, holy, holy!
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- 1 Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! / Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee: Holy, holy! Merciful and mighty, / God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.
- 3 Holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,/ though the sinful human eye thy glory may not see, only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,/ perfect in power, in love, and purity.
- 4 Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! / All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea; Holy, holy! Merciful and mighty, / God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.

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.

And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, 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

A READING FROM THE SECOND BOOK OF SAMUEL. 7:1-14A

When the king was settled in his house, and the LORD had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent." Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that you have in mind; for the LORD is with you."

But that same night the word of the LORD came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?" Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the LORD of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth.

And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the LORD declares to you that the LORD will make you a house. When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me.

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

PSALM 23 (Please stand)

The LORD is my shepherd; * I shall not be in want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures * and leads me beside still waters.

He revives my soul * and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; * for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; * you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, * and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

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 LETTER OF PAUL TO THE EPHESIANS, 2:11-22

Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision"—a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

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

- 1. I come with joy to meet my Lord, / forgiven, loved, and free, in awe and wonder to recall, / his life laid down for me.
- 2. I come with Christians far and near / to find, as all are fed, the new community of love / in Christ's communion bread.
- 4. And thus with joy we meet our Lord. / His presence, always near, is in such friendship better known, / we see and praise him here.

THE GOSPEL (Please stand)

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark, 6:30-34, 53-56

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

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

SERMON The Rev. Dr. Bill Lupfer

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 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.

Almighty God, give us grateful hearts, we pray, for the many ways you are in our lives. We lift up this prayer of thanksgiving and praise for your action in our lives and we thank you for the many ways you have blessed us. Come Holy Spirit and fill the hearts of your people.

Thank you, Lord, for the life of our friend Judy Zanin, as we remembered her passing and celebrated her life this week. We know you have welcomed her into your Kingdom. Please be with Joe and their family members as they grieve.

We pray for all who are suffering with 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 from the virus, and we pray for those left behind.

We pray for members of our Christ Church Family, and the special needs of those who are ill or in need of your special care. We pray especially for Juleah Hayes, Lily Noel, Basil Falcone, Jay Webster, Amelia and Ryan Davis, Peter and Julia, for Bob and Jan Blaich, for Marsha, Jessica and Philip, for Susan and Mickey, for Douglas, for Tony, for George, Keith, and for Bobbi Ann. 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 our nation and for healing of our divisions. We pray for the students and young people of Aspen and their families. We pray for the many guests who are visiting Aspen this summer, and we thank you for bringing many to our congregation. We pray for their health and safety.

We pray for every member of our parish family. 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 we pray for Christ Church here in Aspen. Help us to better know your will and your way. We give thanks for the selection of our new priest, Fr. Lupfer, and we prayer for renewal and reengagement in Christ Church. Be with our leadership and all who are part of the ministries of Christ Church. We lift up these prayers with praise and thanksgiving as we worship you this day. 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

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DOXOLOGY

Hymnal 380 vs. 4 *Praise God from whom all blessings flow*© 1985 by The Church Pension Fund

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; / Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; / Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (The people remain standing)

Presider: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
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 sing 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.]

THE LORD'S PRAYER (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

Break Thou the Bread of Life, Arr. Cindy Berry © 1995 by Pilot Point Music

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

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Hymnal 344, Lord, dismiss us

- 1 Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing; / fill our hearts with joy and peace; let us each, thy love possessing, / triumph in redeeming grace: O refresh us, O refresh us, / traveling through this wilderness.
- 2 Thanks we give and adoration / for thy Gospel's joyful sound: may the fruits of thy salvation / in our hearts and lives abound: ever faithful, ever faithful / to thy truth may we be found;
- 3 so that when thy love shall call us, / Savior, from the world away, fear of death shall not appall us, / glad thy summons to obey. May we ever, may we ever / reign with thee in endless day.

Presider: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

POSTLUDE

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