

# CHRIST CHURCH

## THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN ASPEN



NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
JULY 25, 2021

*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

*Prelude from Bach's Suite II for solo cello in d minor*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

**Hymnal 388 vs 1, 2, 5, O worship the King**  
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- 1 O worship the King, all glorious above! / O gratefully sing his power and his love!  
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days, / pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.
- 2 O tell of his might! O sing of his grace! / Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space,  
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, / and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.
- 5 Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, / in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;  
thy mercies how tender! how firm to the end! / Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

*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

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen. (Please be seated.)*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD

A READING FROM THE SECOND BOOK OF SAMUEL, 11:1-15

In the spring of the year, the time when kings go out to battle, David sent Joab with his officers and all Israel with him; they ravaged the Ammonites, and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem.

It happened, late one afternoon, when David rose from his couch and was walking about on the roof of the king's house, that he saw from the roof a woman bathing; the woman was very beautiful. David sent someone to inquire about the woman. It was reported, "This is Bathsheba daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite." So David sent messengers to get her, and she came to him, and he lay with her. (Now she was purifying herself after her

period.) Then she returned to her house. The woman conceived; and she sent and told David, "I am pregnant." So David sent word to Joab, "Send me Uriah the Hittite." And Joab sent Uriah to David. When Uriah came to him, David asked how Joab and the people fared, and how the war was going. Then David said to Uriah, "Go down to your house, and wash your feet." Uriah went out of the king's house, and there followed him a present from the king. But Uriah slept at the entrance of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and did not go down to his house. When they told David, "Uriah did not go down to his house," David said to Uriah, "You have just come from a journey. Why did you not go down to your house?" Uriah said to David, "The ark and Israel and Judah remain in booths; and my lord Joab and the servants of my lord are camping in the open field; shall I then go to my house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? As you live, and as your soul lives, I will not do such a thing." Then David said to Uriah, "Remain here today also, and tomorrow I will send you back." So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day. On the next day, David invited him to eat and drink in his presence and made him drunk; and in the evening he went out to lie on his couch with the servants of his lord, but he did not go down to his house. In the morning David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent it by the hand of Uriah. In the letter he wrote, "Set Uriah in the forefront of the hardest fighting, and then draw back from him, so that he may be struck down and die."

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

#### PSALM 14 (*Please stand*)

The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God." \*  
 All are corrupt and commit abominable acts;  
 there is none who does any good.

**The LORD looks down from heaven upon us all, \*  
 to see if there is any who is wise,  
 if there is one who seeks after God.**

Every one has proved faithless;  
 all alike have turned bad; \*  
 there is none who does good; no, not one.

**Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers \*  
 who eat up my people like bread  
 and do not call upon the LORD?**

See how they tremble with fear, \*  
 because God is in the company of the righteous.

**Their aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted, \*  
 but the LORD is their refuge.**

Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out of Zion! \*  
 when the LORD restores the fortunes of his people,  
 Jacob will rejoice and Israel be glad.

**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, 3:14-21

I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

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

#### SEQUENCE HYMN

**Hymnal 388, *Be thou my vision***  
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- 1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; / all else be nought to me, save that thou art--  
thou my best thought, by day or by night, / waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
- 2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; / I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
thou my great Father; thine own may I be; / thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.
- 3 High King of heaven, when victory is won, / may I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my heart, whatever befall, / still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

## THE GOSPEL *(Please stand)*

*Priest:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John, 6:1-21

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

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."

When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

*Priest:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## SERMON

The Rev. Beth Phillips

*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, we give you thanks for the many ways you are in our lives. We thank you for the many ways you have blessed us. In the words of Paul, we pray that we may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that we may be filled with all the fullness of God. Come Holy Spirit and fill the hearts of your people.

We pray for all who are suffering with the coronavirus, here in Aspen and in all places. We pray for healing. We pray for those who have died from the virus, and we pray for those who grieve their loss.

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, 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 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. We pray for Christ Church here in Aspen and for all the churches in our valley. Help us to better know your will and your way, and go where you lead us. We give thanks for the selection of our new priest, Fr. Bill Lupfer, and we pray for renewal and reengagement at Christ Church. Be with our leadership and all who are part of the ministries of this place. 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.*

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## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY MUSIC

*Allemande from Bach's Suite II for solo cello in d minor*

DOXOLOGY

**Hymnal 380 vs. 4** *Praise God from whom all blessings flow*

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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.**

*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 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**

*Sarabande from Bach's Suite II for solo cello in d minor*

#### **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 690, Guide me, O thou great Jehovah**

1 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land; / I am weak, but thou art mighty;  
hold me with thy powerful hand; / bread of heaven, bread of heaven,  
feed me now and evermore, / feed me now and evermore.

2 Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow; / let the fire and cloudy pillar  
lead me all my journey through; / strong deliverer, strong deliverer.  
be thou still my strength and shield, / be thou still my strength and shield.

3 When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside; / death of death, and hell's destruction,  
land me safe on Canaan's side; / songs of praises, songs of praises,  
I will ever give to thee, / I will ever give to thee.

*Presider:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

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

#### **POSTLUDE**

*Gigue from Bach's Suite II for solo cello in d minor*

THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPING WITH US.

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