# CHRIST CHURCH

## THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN ASPEN

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER:
THE SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION DAY
MAY 29, 2022

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).

10:00 AM

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II The Book of Common Prayer, pp. 355-366

**PRELUDE** 

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## THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

#### Processional Hymn

**Hymnal 427**, When Morning Guilds the Skies, Verses 1,2,4,5 © 1985 by The Church Pension Fund

1 When morning gilds the skies, my heart, awaking, cries, may Jesus Christ be praised! When evening shadows fall, this rings my curfew call, may Jesus Christ be praised!

4 Ye nations of mankind, in this your concord find: may Jesus Christ be praised! Let all the earth around ring joyous with the sound: may Jesus Christ be praised!

2 When mirth for music longs, this is my song of songs: may Jesus Christ be praised! God's holy house of prayer hath none that can compare with: Jesus Christ be praised!

5 Sing, suns and stars of space, sing, ye that see his face, sing, Jesus Christ be praised! God's whole creation o'er, both now and evermore shall Jesus Christ be praised!

#### 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 Glory to God, S-280

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 with thy spirit.

Presider: Let us pray.

#### COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Priest says: O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen. (Please be seated.)

#### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD

#### A READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES 16:16-34

With Paul and Silas, we came to Philippi in Macedonia, a Roman colony, and, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

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

PSALM - 97 (Please stand)

The LORD is King; let the earth rejoice; \* let the multitude of the isles be glad.

Clouds and darkness are round about him, \* righteousness and justice are the foundations of his throne.

A fire goes before him \*

and burns up his enemies on every side.

His lightnings light up the world; \* the earth sees it and is afraid.

The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the LORD, \* at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

The heavens declare his righteousness, \* and all the peoples see his glory.

Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in false gods! \*

Bow down before him, all you gods.

Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah rejoice, \* because of your judgments, O LORD.

For you are the LORD, most high over all the earth; \* you are exalted far above all gods. The LORD loves those who hate evil; \*
he preserves the lives of his saints
and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.

Light has sprung up for the righteous, \*

and joyful gladness for those who are truehearted.

Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous, \* and give thanks to his holy Name.

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 BOOK OF REVELATION 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

At the end of the visions I, John, heard these words:

"See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.

"It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

The Spirit and the bride say, "Come."
And let everyone who hears say, "Come."
And let everyone who is thirsty come.
Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon."

Amen. Come. Lord Jesus!

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

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

## **SEQUENCE HYMN**

1 O for a thousand tongues to sing my dear Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!

2 My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, and spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy Name.

3 Jesus! the Name that charms our fears and bids our sorrows cease; 'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.

**Hymnal 493**, O for a thousand tongues to sing, Verses 1,2,3,4,6 © 1985 by The Church Pension Fund

4 He speaks; and, listening to his voice, new life the dead receive, the mournful broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.

6 Glory to God and praise and love be now and ever given by saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heaven.

## THE GOSPEL (Please stand)

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 17:20-26

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus prayed for his disciples, and then he said. "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you,

may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

"Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise be 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 VI

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

We pray for the innocent victims of violence in Uvalde, Buffalo, Ukraine, Ethiopia, and around the world.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God:

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For God's people throughout the world; for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Kym, our Bishop, and Bill, our Priest; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. *For all who serve God in his Church.* 

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

We pray for members of our Christ Church Family, and for the special needs of those who are ill or in need of your healing touch. We pray especially this day for Joe Zanin, Kevin Berry, for the Rev. Peter Munson and family on the passing of his wife Julia Munson, for Lexi, and for Mark Pearson. We pray for Charlotte Tripplehorn, Betsy Warren, for Robert, Bayard Sheldon, and for Nancy Sweet. We pray for Mindy, Chris, and Jim, for Philip, Marilyn, and for Jan. We pray for the continued development of little Otto.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

*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*.

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

Theme and variations on Eternal Father, Strong to Save, Arr. Craig Curry Arr. © 2007 Word 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.
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 Tune: Land of Rest

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. 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

Bourée from French Overture, J. S. Bach

#### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER, p. 365 (Please stand)

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.

THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN

**Hymnal 558**, Faith of our Fathers © 1985 by The Church Pension Fund

1 Faith of our fathers! living still in spite of dungeon, fire, and sword: O how our hearts beat high with joy, whene'er we hear that glorious word:

2 Faith of our fathers! faith and prayer shall win all nations unto thee; and through the truth that comes from God, mankind shall then indeed be free. (Refrain)

[Refrain:]
Faith of our fathers, holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death.

3 Faith of our fathers! we will love both friend and foe in all our strife: and preach thee, too, as love knows how, by kindly deeds and virtuous life. (Refrain) DISMISSAL

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

People: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Courante, by G. F. Händel

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