# CHRIST CHURCH THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN ASPEN



THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY JANUARY 29, 2023

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

All creatures of our God and King, Arr. John Purifoy © 1997 Lorenz Publishing Co.

# THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

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

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Hymnal 368, Holy Father, great Creator © 1985 by The Church Pension Fund

# 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** 

**Hymnal S-280**, Glory to God © 1985 by The Church Pension Fund

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.

#### COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Priest says: Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; 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 BOOK OF THE PROPHET MICAH 6:1-8

Hear what the LORD says:

Rise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice.

Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the LORD, and you enduring foundations of the earth;

for the LORD has a controversy with his people, and he will contend with Israel.

"O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me!

For I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and redeemed you from the house of slavery;

and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam.

O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him,

and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the LORD."

"With what shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before God on high?

Shall I come before him with burnt-offerings, with calves a year old?

Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with tens of thousands of rivers of oil?

Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?"

He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you

but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

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

# PSALM 15 (Please stand)

LORD, who may dwell in your tabernacle? \* who may abide upon your holy hill?

Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, \* who speaks the truth from his heart.

There is no guile upon his tongue; he does no evil to his friend; \* he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.

In his sight the wicked is rejected, \* but he honors those who fear the LORD.

He has sworn to do no wrong \* and does not take back his word.

He does not give his money in hope of gain, \* nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.

Whoever does these things \* shall never be overthrown.

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 FIRST LETTER OF PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS 1:18-31

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

"I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

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

GOSPEL HYMN

**Hymnal 420**, When in our music God is glorified, Verses 1,2,3,5 © 1985 by The Church Pension Fund

# THE GOSPEL (Please stand)

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 5:1-12

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

- "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
- "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
- "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
- "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
- "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
- "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
- "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

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

SERMON The Rev. Will Fisher

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 II

I ask your prayers 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. *Pray for the Church.* 

Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. *Pray for justice and peace.* 

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. *Pray for those in any need or trouble.* 

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. *Pray that they may find and be found by him.* 

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed.

Pray for those who have died.

Silence

Members of the congregation may ask the prayers or the thanksgivings of those present

I ask your prayers for members of our Christ Church Family, especially for Doug Teegarden, for Charlie Flanders, for Lexi, and for Betsy Warren. We pray for Robert, for Mindy, Chris, and Jim, for Philip, Marilyn, and for Jan. We pray for the continued development of little Otto.

I ask your thanksgiving for Paradise Cruising.

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.

Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

*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 CONFESSION

The Deacon or Celebrant says: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. Silence may be kept.

Minister and People:

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

The Priest, stands and says:

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *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.

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# THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Where He Leads Me/He Leadeth Me, Arr. Brant Adams © 2011 Lorenz Publishing Co., a division of The Lorenz Corporation Giving QR code located on the back page of the bulletin

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)

Book of Common Prayer, p. 361

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:* 

**Book of Common Prayer,** p. 361

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 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:

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia! People:

#### INVITATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

All people who hunger for God are invited to receive communion. Please form a single file line down the center aisle and receive the consecrated bread and wine. The priest will place the bread in your hands and you can dip the bread into the wine and consume them together then.

#### COMMUNION MUSIC

Amazing Grace, Arr. John Purifoy © 1997 Lorenz Publishing Co.

# 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 522**, Glorious things of thee are spoken © 1985 by The Church Pension

#### DISMISSAL

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

Thanks be to God. People:

**POSTLUDE** 

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# PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

**Presider:** The Rev. Will Fisher Director of Music: Molly Noel Piano and Organ: Molly Noel Soloist: Shelley Warren, flute

Acolyte	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Diana Rumsey Warren Klug
Reader	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Neala Young Warren Klug
Altar Guild	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Diana Rumsey Alison Ford
Greeter/Usher	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Neala Young Alison Ford
Fellowship		Peter Grenney

#### VESTRY

Lindsay Gorman (Sr. Warden), Joel Shannon (Jr. Warden), Eric Pelander (Treasurer), Diana Rumsey (Clerk), Peter Grenney, Jay Webster, Tracy Murtagh, Janice James, Peter Harrigan



# About our Supply Priest, Fr. Will Fisher



Fr. Will Fisher comes to us from just down the road in Carbondale. Currently, he's serving as an at-large supply priest for Congregations on the Western Slope. Previously, he had served as Rector of Christ Church in Redding, CT. If he looks familiar, it's because he served for 6 years as Rector of St. Peter's in the Valley in Basalt. Earlier in his career, he served congregations in the Diocese of New York and San Diego. An avid outdoorsman, he enjoys trail running (including 11 100 mile finishes), skiing, ski mountaineering, triathlon (6 Ironman finishes, including one as a guide for a blind athlete), and mountain climbing (all 58 Colorado 14ers). He and his wife, Leana (an attorney), have a daughter (Charlotte, a college freshman) and two miniature schnauzers (Bailee and Schultzy). The Buffalo, NY native graduated from General Theological Seminary and Brown University, where he rowed for the heavyweight Crew.

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# The Sunday News Page

January 29, 2023, The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

#### **WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH**

We are glad you are here. If you are a newcomer, or a visitor, please sign in at the front table. We would love to get to know you better.

#### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

2/1 Ryan Webster, 2/1 Eve Harrison, 2/1 Kim Lowrance, 2/2 Benjamin Slossberg, 2/3 Judy Schwartz, 2/3 Betty Shiels

# SUNDAY SCHOOL AND NURSERY RETURN! Sundays at 10:00 A.M.

Sunday School and the Nursery are now available on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. Kathy Klug, teacher and mentor, leads the charge, with Kendyl Young assisting. If you would like to volunteer as a helper or teach a class, please contact Kathy Klug at kathyklug@gmail.com.

#### PARADISE CRUISING Tomorrow on Tiehack Mountain!

On Monday, January 30, we will meet at the base of Tiehack at 10:30 a.m. Ski with friends of the Parish!

# Next Sunday! FIRST SUNDAY BREAKFAST Sunday, February 5 at 9 A.M.

Join us between Services at 9 a.m. on Sunday, February 5. Donations are appreciated and everyone is welcome! Some say it's the best breakfast in Aspen...come along and decide for yourself.

# SHROVE TUESDAY AND ASH WEDNESDAY

Shrove Tuesday, Pancake Supper\* February 21 at 5:30 p.m.

Ash Wednesday, Imposition of Ashes February 22 at 5:00 p.m.

\*The pancake supper will be held in Rowland-Davis Hall. To help prepare, please use the sign up on the table in the Narthex or email Marisa at marisa@christchurchaspen.org, with your name and how many people will be attending.

#### MUSIC IN THE WEST END Save the Date!

Saturday, March 4 at 5 P.M. Piano concert with Amanda Gessler.

#### 2023 STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship gives us the opportunity to pledge to give back to God a portion of our financial resources through the mission and ministry of Christ Church. Packets containing information and pledge cards for your financial gifts for 2023 are available now. Packets have been mailed out, or you may pick one up on the front table in the Narthex. For more information, contact Kathy at kathyklug@gmail.com or Eric at epelander@yahoo.com.

# **WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP**

The Women's Study Group will be meeting on Thursdays at 10:30 at the home of Jan Blaich. We'll be reading and discussing the book "What Paul Meant" by Garry Wills, which can be purchased on Amazon. It may also be available on Ebook. Wills, a well known historian and theologian writer presents a provocative portrait of Paul that will perhaps provide new insights for us into his writings and teachings as well as his life. Join us for what will be an interesting study. For information call Jan at 970-925-7545.

#### MEN'S BIBLE STUDY Wednesdays at 8 a.m. at the Mountain Chalet

Every Wednesday morning at 8 a.m. for breakfast and men's Bible Study. Email Warren Klug, warrenklug 1@gmail.com, for details.

#### **ALTAR FLOWERS SIGN UP**

The sign up for Altar flowers is on the table in the Narthex. The florist fee is \$203. You are welcome to make a homemade arrangement or share a day with someone. Altar Flowers come with your personal inscription in the Sunday News. For more information please contact Marisa Post, Parish Administrator, at marisa@christchurchaspen.org.

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