CHRIST CHURCH THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN ASPEN



THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY FEBRUARY 19, 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 410, *Praise, my soul, the King of heaven* © 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.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Priest says: O God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; 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 EXODUS 24:12-18

The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them."

Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

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

PSALM 2 (Please stand)

Why are the nations in an uproar? *

Why do the peoples mutter empty threats?

Why do the kings of the earth rise up in revolt, and the princes plot together, * against the LORD and against his Anointed?

"Let us break their yoke," they say; *

"let us cast off their bonds from us."

He whose throne is in heaven is laughing; * the Lord has them in derision.

Then he speaks to them in his wrath, * and his rage fills them with terror.

"I myself have set my king * upon my holy hill of Zion."

Let me announce the decree of the LORD: *

he said to me, "You are my Son;

this day have I begotten you.

Ask of me, and I will give you the nations for your inheritance * and the ends of the earth for your possession.

You shall crush them with an iron rod * and shatter them like a piece of pottery."

And now, you kings, be wise; * be warned, you rulers of the earth.

Submit to the LORD with fear, * and with trembling bow before him;

Lest he be angry and you perish; * for his wrath is quickly kindled.

Happy are they all * who take refuge in him!

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 SECOND LETTER OF PETER 1:16-21

We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

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

GOSPEL HYMN

Hymnal 711, Seek ye first © 1985 by The Church Pension Fund

THE GOSPEL (Please stand)

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 17:1-9.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

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 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 Peter Harrigan on the passing of his mother Barbara Harrigan, for Kitty D'Agostino on the passing of her mother Gloria McBride, and for Mary Egan D'Agostino, for Perry Thomas, for Will Goddard, 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 Shrove Tuesday.

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.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY MUSIC

It Is Well with My Soul, Arr. Molly Ijames © 2018 by Beckenhorst Press 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:

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

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

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.

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 555, *Lead on, O King eternal* © 1985 by The Church Pension

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

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PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Presider: The Rev. Dr. Bill Lupfer Director of Music: Molly Noel Piano and Organ: Molly Noel Cantor: Scott MacCracken Soloist: Shelley Warren

Acolyte	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Joel Shannon Donna Rowlands
Reader	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Lynn Russell Warren Klug
Altar Guild	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Katrina Gallant Donna Rowlands
Greeter/Usher	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Stoney Davis Warren Klug

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



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Broadcasting Live at 10:00 a.m. at ChristChurchAspen.org

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Join Christ Church for Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper - February 21 at 5:30 p.m. Sign up in the Narthex or by emailing marisa@christchurchaspen.org

The Sunday News Page

February 19, 2023, The Last 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!

2/19 Maurine Fitzpatrick, 2/22 Nancy Evseeff

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

2/25 Lucia and Louis Brandt

This Week! 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.

PARADISE CRUISING

On Monday, February 27, we will meet at the base of Tiehack at 10:30 a.m. Ski with friends of the Parish!

LENT BEYOND SUNDAYS A Lenten Study starting February 28th

Set aside, if you possibly can, 4-5:30 on Tuesdays beginning February 28th and continuing through March for our Lenten Study Group. The sessions, which will be held at church, will be led by Fr. Bill based on the book *Wondrous Encounters* by Richard Rohr, one of our era's most prominent theologians. His book is devoted to Lenten meditations that offer a thoughtful impetus for discussion. Books or Ebooks can be ordered from Amazon. We will also have a limited supply on hand for those attending the sessions. For information call Jan at 970-925-7545.

MUSIC IN THE WEST END Save the Date!

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

FIRST SUNDAY BREAKFAST Sunday, March 5 at 9 A.M.

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

FAMILY SKI DAY Save the Date!

We will gather at Bumps after church on Sunday, March 12 at 11:30 a.m. Wear your ski clothing to church! Food is available for purchase at Bumps. Skiers and non-skiers are welcome to enjoy this day of fellowship. For more information contact Joy Stryker at 970-379-2042.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND NURSERY 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.

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 in the Narthex, on the website at www. christchurchaspen.org, or in the Christ Church office. For more information, please contact Kathy at kathyklug@gmail.com or Eric Pelander at epelander@yahoo.com.

WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP On Hiatus!

The Women's Study Group, on hiatus in lieu of the special Lenten Study Group, will resume after Easter.

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 l@gmail.com, for details.