CHRIST CHURCH THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN ASPEN



THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER APRIL 30, 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).

9:00 AM

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

PRELUDE

Deep River, Arr. Mark Hayes © 1998 by Jubilate Music Group

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Hymnal 372, *Praise to the living God* © 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

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 with thy spirit.

Presider: Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Priest says: O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people; Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen. (Please be seated.)

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD

A READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES 2:42-47

Those who had been baptized devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and

distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

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

PSALM - 23

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.

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF PETER 2:19-25

It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

"He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth."

When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

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

GOSPEL HYMN

Hymnal 487, Come my Way, my Truth, my Life © 1985 by The Church Pension Fund

THE GOSPEL (Please stand)

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 10:1-10

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."

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

THE SERMON The Rev. Steve Ayres

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.

THE 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.

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, especially for Charla Belinski, for Craig, for Joel Shannon, for Leone Falcone, for John, for Sue, for Jenny Treacy, and for Emma Treacy. We pray for Chip Howe, Charlie Flanders, for Lexi, and for Betsy Warren. We pray for Jan, for Robert, for Mindy, Chris, and Jim, for Philip, and for Marilyn. 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. We pray for the family and friends of Dodie Catlett, for Billie Erwin on the passing of her husband Greg Erwin, for the family and friends of Mary Price, and for the family and friends of Bruce Scott.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

THE CLOSING COLLECT

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

The Lord's Prayer, by Albert Hay Malotte 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)

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!

THE 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

Hast Thou Not Known? By Robert Swift

THE 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 657, *Love divine* © 1985 by The Church Pension Fund

THE DISMISSAL

Presider: Alleluia, Alleluia! Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good works,

and give glory to God.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

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PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Presider: The Rev. Steve Ayres

Director of Music: Molly Noel

Piano and Organ: Molly Noel

Soloist: Scott MacCracken

Acolyte Diana Rumsey

Reader Lynn Russell

Altar Guild Katrina Gallant

Greeter/Usher Tracy Murtagh

Fellowship Host Diana Rumsey

ABOUT OUR SUPPLY PRIEST, THE REV. STEVE AYRES



The Rev. Steve Ayres is no stranger to Christ Church, having served as our bridge priest from February to May of 2020. Sadly, Steve could not meet with many of us face to face, as the initial wave of Covid forced Sunday services online. Steve has worshipped occasionally at Christ Church for over fifty years when visiting his parents, Bill and Becky Ayres, former members of the parish. Becky is still active at St. Peter's in Basalt, which she helped found, originally as a mission of Christ Church.

Steve and his wife Lisa retired at the end of 2019 and have permanently settled in the valley, having purchased a house in Basalt. Their son, Matt, is a senior at CSU.

Prior to retirement, Steve served as vicar of the famous Old North Church in Boston for twenty-two years. In that role, he led both the congregation and the Old North

Foundation, which was established to manage the roughly 500,000 visitors who pass through the Old North Campus each year. Among his major accomplishments were changing federal historic preservation policy to enable historic churches and synagogues like Old North to receive federal preservation funding. Steve also expanded Old North educational programming beyond interpreting the events of April 18, 1775, exploring the role of the slave trade in funding the Old North Church in the colonial era, and exploring the abolitionist context of Longfellow's poem, "Paul Revere's Ride", which was published in 1860.

Earlier in his career, Steve served in parishes in Springfield, Missouri, Oneonta, New York and Wakefield, Massachusetts. His retirement goals are to enjoy all that the Roaring Fork Valley has to offer and to assist, where needed, at both Christ Church and St. Peter's of the Valley, giving your hard working clergy time off for rest and refreshment.



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Join us Next Sunday for our In-Person Service at 9:00 a.m. Broadcasting Live at 9:00 a.m. at ChristChurchAspen.org

VESTRY

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The Sunday News Page

APRIL 30, 2023, THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH

We are glad you are here. If you are a newcomer, or a visitor, please fill out the *Welcome Card* in the pew or in the Narthex, and give to an usher. We would love to get to know you better.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

5/1 Neal Batson, 5/2 Trish Adam, 5/2 Joel Shannon, 5/5 Nicholas Slossberg, 5/6 Caroline Moore, 5/6 Joe Zanin

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

5/1 Joy and Wayne Stryker

YOU ARE INVITED! Speakeasy Gala on May 26 - Please RSVP by May 15th!

To a Speakeasy Gala on Friday, May 26, at 6:30 p.m., honoring Scott MacCracken and Marisa Post who are moving to North Carolina. Attire is "Sinatra", so dust off your dancing' shoes and join the celebration! Please bring a hearty appetizer to share. RSVP: Donna Rowlands via marisa@christchurchaspen.org. Include how many in your party and what appetizer you will bring to share. Or, you may sign up at the table in the Narthex!

OUTREACH OFF-SEASON COLLECTION

Collecting Gently Used Camping Gear April 16th - June 1st

With the change of the season and spring cleaning on the horizon, we want to remind everyone of the importance of giving back to those in need. This off-season, we will be collecting gently used camping gear for the homeless to provide them with essential items to survive in the woods. As you declutter and tidy up your homes, please consider donating tents, sleeping bags, backpacks, and other items. Let's come together to support those who are less fortunate during this time of renewal and growth. Please place items in the collection bins (in the Narthex) and Leone will deliver them to Feed My Sheep.

SPRING WORSHIP CHANGE Sundays - One Service - 9 A.M. - April 16 through May 28

Christ Episcopal Church of Aspen announces a Springtime Worship change! Please join us for Rite II Liturgy and Holy Eucharist at 9:00 a.m. on Sundays this spring! Fellowship will follow. Live Broadcast at 9:00 a.m. at www.christchurchaspen.org. For more information contact marisa@christchurchaspen.org.

WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP Resumes in June

The Women's Study Group will be meeting starting in early June at the home of Jan Blaich. We will be reading and discussing Bruce McNab's book *Believing is Seeing*, a study of the Gospel of John. Charlotte Tripplehorn will be leading the group in a study of the Book of Colossians at Christ Church in July. All women are invited to attend. Details coming soon!

TO CONTACT FR. BILL

Fr. Bill will be away from the Parish until May 22. If you need to reach him, please email him at wlupfer@christchurchaspen.org. Please note: Fr. Bill cannot receive text messages at this time. For more information, contact marisa@christchurchaspen.org.

ON-GOING AT CHRIST CHURCH

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School and the Nursery are available on Sundays at 9:00 a.m.

FIRST SUNDAY BREAKFAST May 7 at 10 A.M.

Join us after the service at 10 a.m. on Sunday, May 7. Donations are appreciated and everyone is welcome! Some say it's the best breakfast in Aspen...come along and decide for yourself.

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.

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