

# CHRIST CHURCH

## THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN ASPEN



THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
MAY 21, 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

Gaelic Blessing, Traditional

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Presider:* Alleluia! Christ is risen.

*People:* **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

**Hymnal 450**, All hail the power of Jesus' Name! Verses 1,2,6  
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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, 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 1:6-14

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee,

why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day’s journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord

*People:* **Thanks be to God**

### PSALM - 68:1-10, 33-36

Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered; \*  
let those who hate him flee before him.

**Let them vanish like smoke when the  
wind drives it away; \* as the wax melts at the fire,  
so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.**

But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; \*  
let them also be merry and joyful.

**Sing to God, sing praises to his Name;  
exalt him who rides upon the heavens; \*  
YAHWEH is his Name, rejoice before him!**

Father of orphans, defender of widows, \*  
God in his holy habitation!

**God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners  
into freedom; \* but the rebels shall live in dry places.**

O God, when you went forth before your people, \*  
when you marched through the wilderness,

**The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain,  
at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, \*  
at the presence of God, the God of Israel.**

You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance; \*  
you refreshed the land when it was weary.

**Your people found their home in it; \*  
in your goodness, O God, you have made  
provision for the poor.**

Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; \*  
sing praises to the Lord.

**He rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; \*  
he sends forth his voice, his mighty voice.**

Ascribe power to God; \*  
his majesty is over Israel;  
his strength is in the skies.

**How wonderful is God in his holy places! \*  
the God of Israel giving strength and power to his people!  
Blessed be God!**

**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 4:12-14; 5:6-11

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

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

## GOSPEL HYMN

**Hymnal 383, Fairest Lord Jesus**  
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### THE GOSPEL (*Please stand*)

*Priest:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 17:1-11

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

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one."

*Priest:* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## THE 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.**

## 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 MaeriJane, for Juan, for Charla Belinski, for Craig, for John, for Sue, for Jenny Treacy, and 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 Boyer Family on the passing of Doc, for the family and friends of Dodie Catlett, and for Billie Erwin on the passing of her husband Greg Erwin.

*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.*

## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

### OFFERTORY MUSIC

*Steal Away*, Arr. Shawn E. Okpebholo

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### 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

**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

*The Power of the Cross*, Arr. Molly Ijames  
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## 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 544**, Jesus shall reign, Verses 1,2,4,5  
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## 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!

## POSTLUDE

*I. Introit*, by Paul De Maleingreau

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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:** Scott MacCracken

**Acolyte** Warren Klug

**Reader** Peter Greeney

**Altar Guild** Alison Ford

**Greeter/Usher** Eric Pelander

**Fellowship Host** 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, THE REV. 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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Broadcasting Live at 9:00 a.m. at [ChristChurchAspen.org](http://ChristChurchAspen.org)

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# **The Sunday News Page**

May 21, 2023, THE SEVENTH 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**

5/21 Clarence Blackwell, 5/23 Charissa Rende Voss

## **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

5/24 Tracy and Patrick Murtagh

## **YOU ARE INVITED! Speakeasy Gala on May 26 - RSVP TODAY!**

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. David Dyer brings the music. 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](mailto: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!

## **SPECIAL MUSIC WITH SCOTT MACCRACKEN**

Christ Church friend and Hymn Leader, Scott MacCracken, is moving away from the Roaring Fork Valley. For those of you interested in hearing Scott sing before he moves away, many of his fan favorites will be presented during the 9:00 a.m. Sunday Services on May 14 and 21, and on Sunday, June 4 at 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. Also, Live Broadcast in May at 9:00 a.m. and in June at 10:00 a.m. at [www.christchurchaspen.org](http://www.christchurchaspen.org). For more information contact [marisa@christchurchaspen.org](mailto:marisa@christchurchaspen.org).

## **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.

## **WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP In June and July**

**IN JUNE:** The women's Study Group will resume on **June 8th at 10:30 a.m.** at the home of Jan Blaich. We will be reading and discussing Chapter 13 in Bruce McNab's book *Believing is Seeing*, which can be ordered on Amazon. Have your second cup of coffee and join in the discussion of this engaging study of the Gospel of John. These sessions will continue for the month of June. During July the Women's Study Group will be reading the Book of Colossians under the leadership of Charlotte Tripplehorn. Call Jan at 970-925-7545 for further information.

**IN JULY:** Women's Summer Bible Study beginning **Wednesday, July 12 through August 2**, with a closing luncheon at the home of Charlotte Tripplehorn on Wednesday, August 16. We've prayerfully chosen to study the four books of *Colossians*.

**Place:** Christ Episcopal Church, 536 W North Street

**Time:** 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., with an intro by The Rev. Dr. Bill Lupfer, the Rector at Christ Church.

Please let us know if you are interested in joining us this summer. It is not necessary to make each Wednesday, just come when you can! Feel free to share the information. RSVP to Elizabeth at [elizklump@gmail.com](mailto:elizklump@gmail.com).

## **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](mailto:wlupfer@christchurchaspen.org). Please note: Fr. Bill cannot receive text messages at this time. For more information, contact [marisa@christchurchaspen.org](mailto:marisa@christchurchaspen.org).

## **ON-GOING AT CHRIST CHURCH**

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

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

### **MEN'S BIBLE STUDY Wednesdays at 8 A.M. at the Mountain Chalet**

Wednesday mornings at 8 a.m. for breakfast and men's Bible Study. Email Warren Klug, [warrenklug1@gmail.com](mailto:warrenklug1@gmail.com), for details.