

# CHRIST CHURCH

## THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN ASPEN



TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER  
PENTECOST  
OCTOBER 15, 2023

*Welcome to Christ Church! We're glad you're worshipping 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

Marie Bigot: *Etude no. 2*

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Presider:* Blessed be the God: Father, son and Holy Spirit

*People:* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

**Hymnal 488, *Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart***  
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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:* Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen. (Please be seated.)*

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF EXODUS 32:1-14

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, "Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." Aaron said to them, "Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. He took the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a festival to the LORD." They rose early the next day, and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel.

The LORD said to Moses, “Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, ‘These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!’” The LORD said to Moses, “I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation.”

But Moses implored the LORD his God, and said, “O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, ‘It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth’? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, ‘I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.’” And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

*Presider:* The Word of the Lord  
*People:* **Thanks be to God**

### PSALM 106:1-6, 19-23

Hallelujah!

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, \*  
for his mercy endures for ever.

**Who can declare the mighty acts of the LORD \*  
or show forth all his praise?**

Happy are those who act with justice \*  
and always do what is right!

**Remember me, O LORD, with the favor you have for your people, \*  
and visit me with your saving help;**

That I may see the prosperity of your elect  
and be glad with the gladness of your people, \*  
that I may glory with your inheritance.

**We have sinned as our forebears did; \*  
we have done wrong and dealt wickedly.**

Israel made a bull-calf at Horeb \*  
and worshiped a molten image;

**And so they exchanged their Glory \*  
for the image of an ox that feeds on grass.**

They forgot God their Savior, \*  
who had done great things in Egypt,

**Wonderful deeds in the land of Ham, \*  
and fearful things at the Red Sea.**

So he would have destroyed them,  
had not Moses his chosen stood before him in the breach, \*  
to turn away his wrath from consuming them.

**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 LETTER OF PAUL TO THE PHILIPPIANS 4:1-9

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

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

## GOSPEL HYMN

**Hymnal 663, *The Lord my God my shepherd is***  
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## THE GOSPEL (*Please stand*)

*Priest:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 22:1-14  
*People:* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.’ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

“But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

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

## THE SERMON

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.**

## 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 this day for Charla, Chip Howe, Lexi, and Betsy Warren. We pray for Jan, Robert, Diana, David and Brian. 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 Lupfer family on the death of Bill Lupfer Sr., may he rest in peace. We pray for the family of Ryan Welgos on his passing and Janet Ferrara on the death of her brother Michael.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

***Who put their trust in you.***

## CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

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

*Silence My be kept.*

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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

Beethoven: *Adagio cantabile* from Sonata no. 8, "Pathétique"  
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DOXOLOGY

Hymnal 380 vs. 3, *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 Marianna D'Auenbrugg: *Largo* from *Sonata in E-flat*

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 525**, *The Church's one foundation, verses 1-3*  
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THE 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 Marianna D'Auenbrugg: *Rondo Allegro* from *Sonata in E-flat*

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**PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE**

- Presider :*** Rev Canon Jon Anderson
- Director of Music :*** Mandy Gessler
- Piano & Organ :*** Mandy Gessler
- Acolyte :*** Donna Rowlands
- Reader :*** Tracy Murtagh
- Altar Guild :*** Allison Ford
- Greeter/Usher :*** Patrick Murtagh

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## THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPPING WITH US!

In-Person Services are at 9:00A.M.

The Live Broadcast will at 9:00A.M. at [ChristChurchAspen.org](http://ChristChurchAspen.org)

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### STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

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# **The Sunday News Page**

October 15, 2023, TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENETCOST

## **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**

10/15 Hillary Morton Klug, 10/18 Mark Pearson, 10/21 Lindsey Tschappat, and 10/22 Martin Alvarado.

## **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

10/15 Margaret & Joel Shannon and 10/20 Yvonne & Kenneth Hannon.

## **MUSIC IN THE WEST END**

Our first fall Music in the West End Concert will be on **October 22, 2023** at 4:00 P.M. Come and listen to the to High Country Sinfonia perform Bach's Coffee Cantata and Mahler's Adagietto From Symphony No. 5. Please join us for a reception after the concert.

## **HARVEST DINNER**

Mark your calendars: **Thursday, November 16** at 6 P.M. in Rowland Davis Hall More Information to come.

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

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Sunday School and the Nursery are available on Sundays at 9:00 A.M.

## **STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN 2024**

We hope that you will prayerfully consider joining us in making a financial pledge this year. In addition every new pledge will be matched. Your pledge can help us build toward an even brighter future. May you **"Let Your Light Shine through the Joy of Giving."** If you did not receive a letter in the mail, there are additional pledge cards on the Narthex table.

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

Wednesday mornings at 8:00 A.M. for breakfast and men's Bible Study. Email Warren Klug for details at [warrenklug1@gmail.com](mailto:warrenklug1@gmail.com).