

# CHRIST CHURCH

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN ASPEN



ALL SAINTS DAY  
NOVEMBER 5, 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

*All Creatures of Our God and King* Arr. Molly Ijames  
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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 410, Praise, my soul the king of heaven**  
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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:* Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

*(Please be seated.)*

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF REVELATION 7:9-17

After this I, John, looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom  
and thanksgiving and honor  
and power and might  
be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

"For this reason they are before the throne of God,  
and worship him day and night within his temple,  
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.  
They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;  
the sun will not strike them,  
nor any scorching heat;  
for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,  
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,  
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

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

### PSALM 34:1-10, 22

I will bless the LORD at all times; \*  
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

**I will glory in the LORD; \*  
let the humble hear and rejoice.**

Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD; \*  
let us exalt his Name together.

**I sought the LORD, and he answered me \*  
and delivered me out of all my terror.**

Look upon him and be radiant, \*  
and let not your faces be ashamed.

**I called in my affliction and the LORD heard me \*  
and saved me from all my troubles.**

The angel of the LORD encompasses those who fear him, \*  
and he will deliver them.

**Taste and see that the LORD is good; \*  
happy are they who trust in him!**

Fear the LORD, you that are his saints, \*  
for those who fear him lack nothing.

**The young lions lack and suffer hunger, \*  
but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.**

The LORD ransoms the life of his servants, \*  
and none will be punished who trust 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.**

### A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF JOHN 3:1-3

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

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

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.**

THE SERMON

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 this day for Charla, Chip Howe, Lexi, and Betsy Warren. We pray for Jan, Robert, Diana, Brian, Lynn Murtagh and Glenda. 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. We also pray for the family of Tommy Clapper in his recent passing.

*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

*Now Thank We All Our God/Let All Things Now Living Arr. Brant Adams*  
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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

*Be Thou My Vision*, Arr. John Purifoy  
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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 494**, *Crown him with many crowns Verses 1,2,4*  
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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

*Love Divine* Arr. John Purifoy  
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## PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

**Presider:** Rev. Steve Ayres

**Minister of Music:** Mandy Gessler

**Piano & Organ:** Molly Noel

**Flute:** Shelley Warren

**Acolyte:** Donna Rowlands

**Reader:** Warren Klug

**Altar Guild :** Alison Ford

**Greeter/Usher:** Joel Shannon

**Fellowship: First Sunday Breakfast**

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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)

## 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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# **The Sunday News Page**

November 5, 2023, ALL SAINTS DAY

## **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**

11/5 Leone Falsone, 11/6 Emma Zane, 11/8 Pamela Ross, 11/10 Michael Voss, and 11/11 Egbert Ospina.

## **FIRST SUNDAY BREAKFAST TODAY!**

Join us after the service TODAY at 10:00 A.M. on **Sunday, November 5**. Donations are appreciated and everyone is welcome! Some say it's the best breakfast in Aspen...come along and decide for yourself.

## **HARVEST DINNER**

Let's give thanks together on **Thursday, November 16** at 6:00 P.M. in Rowland Davis Hall at the Harvest Dinner. Thanksgiving turkey and side will be provided. Please RSVP on the table in the Narthex or email [siri@christchurchaspen.org](mailto:siri@christchurchaspen.org).

## **MUSIC IN THE WEST END**

Mark your calendar for the next Music in the West End Concert on **Saturday, November 18** at **5:00 P.M.** featuring Christ Church Minister of Music, Mandy Gessler on the piano. Join us for a reception following the performance in the Rowland Davis Hall.

## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Winter Worship Schedule**

Mark your calendar beginning **Sunday, December 3**, We will resume two worship times: 8:00 A.M. with Rite I and 10:00 A.M. with Rite II. The live feed on YouTube and Sunday School will also resume at 10:00 A.M.

## **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).