



Welcome to Christ Church! We're glad you're worshipping with us today.

Be thoughtful, be silent, be reverent; for this is the House of God.  
Before the service, speak to the Lord; during the service, let the Lord speak to you; after the service, speak to one another.

10:00 AM

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

*The Book of Common Prayer, pp. 355-366*

**Prelude** *Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee with Bach's Jesus, Joy of Man's Desiring, Arr. Cindy Berry*  
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*Presider:* Alleluia. Christ is risen.  
*People:* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

**The Collect for Purity**

**Gloria In Excelsis**

**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.

**The Collect of the Day**

*The Priest says:* O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; 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**

*The full texts can be found on the back page of the bulletin.*

**The First Lesson:** *1 Samuel 8:4-11, (12-15), (16-20)*  
**Psalm:** *Psalms 138 (Please stand)*  
**The Second Lesson:** *2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1*  
**The Gospel:** *Mark 3:20-35 (Please stand)*

**Sermon**

The Rev. Carl Walker

*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 IV**

Let us pray for the Church and for the world. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. Lord, in your mercy. *Hear our prayer.*

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. Lord, in your mercy. *Hear our prayer.*

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. Lord, in your mercy. *Hear our prayer.*

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. Lord, in your mercy. *Hear our prayer.*

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. Lord, in your mercy. *Hear our prayer.*

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy. *Hear our prayer.*

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. (*Pause*)

We pray for all who have suffered with the coronavirus, world wide, in our nation and in our community. We pray for healing. We pray for those who have died from the virus, and for those who grieve their loss. We pray that vaccination efforts will continue, and will make a difference here at home and around the world. Lord Christ, we thank you for healing.

We pray for Christ Church, and all who are part of this place. Thank you God for your blessings showered upon us, and we pray that Christ Church will grow in your love and grace. We pray for our search committee and for important decisions now being made. We pray that we will honor your will and your way and that this may be a place of healing and thanksgiving.

Let us pray for our Christ Church family, and for our friends at Christ Church, Aspen. We pray for our friends, Peter and Julia Munson; for Jan and Bob Blaich, Marsha, Jessica and Philip, George Baker, Keith, and Bobbi Ann. We pray for Tony, for Brad Noel, Susan and Mickey, for Hillary, and for Galileo and little Otto. We pray for all who serve this great nation in uniform in nearby and far-off places. We pray for the young people and students of Aspen, and for the teachers and staff of our schools. We ask for your blessings and safekeeping for students graduating this spring from Aspen High School and others down valley.

O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family. Take away the arrogance and hatreds which infect the hearts of so many, and break down the walls that separate us. Unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggles and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth. We pray that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony. Especially this day, we pray for peace in the Holy Land, in the places where you walked and where you called your people to new life. We pray with praise, worship and thanksgiving to you, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*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.*

### **Confession of Sin** (*Stand or kneel*)

**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 and Comfortable Words**

#### **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

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*Sent the Light*, Arr. Mary McDonald

### 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 say this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

### Sanctus

**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.**

*(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.*]

*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

*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

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*The Power of the Cross*, Arr. Molly Ijames

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### Post-communion Prayer, p. 365

*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.**

### A Blessing by the Priest

*Presider:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

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

### Postlude

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*The Lord bless you and keep you*, John Rutter

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## LESSONS, PSALM & GOSPEL

### The First Lesson: 1 Samuel 8:4-11, (12-15), 16-20

All the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, and said to him, "You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations." But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, "Give us a king to govern us." Samuel prayed to the LORD, and the LORD said to Samuel, "Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. Now then, listen to their voice; only—you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them." So Samuel reported all the words of the LORD to the people who were asking him for a king. He said, "These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots; [and he will appoint for himself commanders of thousands and commanders of fifties, and some to plow his ground and to reap his harvest, and to make his implements of war and the equipment of his chariots. He will take your daughters to be perfumers and cooks and bakers. He will take the best of your fields and vineyards and olive orchards and give them to his courtiers. He will take one-tenth of your grain and of your vineyards and give it to his officers and his courtiers.] He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work. He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the LORD will not answer you in that day." But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, "No! but we are determined to have a king over us, so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles." Samuel said to the people, "Come, let us go to Gilgal and there renew the kingship." So all the people went to Gilgal, and there they made Saul king before the LORD in Gilgal. There they sacrificed offerings of well-being before the LORD, and there Saul and all the Israelites rejoiced greatly.

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

### The Second Lesson: 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

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

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*Priest:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark  
*People:* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

### The Gospel: Mark 3:20-35 (Please stand)

The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his disciples could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered. "Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit." Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

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

### Psalm 138 (Please stand)

I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; \* before the gods I will sing your praise.

**I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, \* because of your love and faithfulness;**

For you have glorified your Name \* and your word above all things.

**When I called, you answered me; \* you increased my strength within me.**

All the kings of the earth will praise you, O LORD, \*when they have heard the words of your mouth.

**They will sing of the ways of the LORD, \*that great is the glory of the LORD.**

Though the LORD be high, he cares for the lowly; \* he perceives the haughty from afar.

**Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; \* you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.**

The LORD will make good his purpose for me; \*O LORD, your love endures for ever;

do not abandon the works of your hands.

**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.)*