

ST. CHRISTOPHER'S CHURCH 3 PENTECOST JUNE 9, 2024

To Lift People Up As Christ Calls

9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

Thank you for joining us today. Many of us gathered here today were not raised in The Episcopal Church, but have come to find in this parish a source of spiritual growth. If you are new to St. Christopher's or visiting with us today, please fill out one of the visitor's cards found in the pews and put it in the offering plate or give it to one of the ushers.

Our nursery is not staffed during the summer, but feel free to use the facilities with your children. We also offer activity bags in the vestibule for children of all ages.

We invite you to join us for refreshments on the breezeway following the service. Please feel free to introduce yourself to any of us if we don't get to you first.

Opening Prayer

Processional Hymn 569



THE WORD OF GOD

Versicle and Response

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

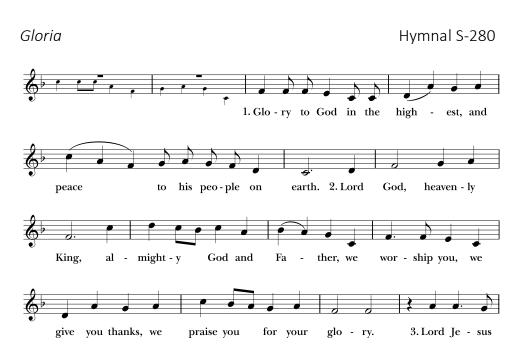
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.

Amen.

The Collect of Purity

The Celebrant says

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.*





The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect.

People Amen.

The Lessons

First Lesson: 1 Samuel 8:4-20, [11:14-15] Insert
Psalm 138 Insert

Second Lesson: 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1 Insert

Gradual Hymn 195



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Then, all standing, the Celebrant reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Holy Gospel: Mark 3:20-35 Insert

After the Gospel, the Celebrant says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

Anne Rice Burgess

Moment of Silent Reflection

The people stand.

The Nicene Creed

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

Let us pray to the God in whose word is our hope, through Jesus in whose mission and ministry we share, saying: *God of life, hear our prayer*.

For the Church: especially for Michael our Presiding Bishop and Daniel our Bishop, that in all places we may be a sign of God's love and mercy to all who are broken, suffering or searching. God of life, hear our prayer.

For this parish family, especially Hillary and Kristen our priests, and Madeleine and James as they discern holy orders, that we may gladly welcome all to the feast of the Lord's table and to the embrace of the Lord's healing. God of life, hear our prayer.

For Joseph our President, Joshua our Governor, and for peace, that God will transform hearts that are hard and minds that are closed, so that bloodshed may cease and peace be established in all places of conflict. God of life, hear our prayer.

For an open and listening heart, that we may each hear God's invitation to us and respond with joy to bring new hope and new life to others. God of life, hear our prayer.

For all who daily confront the powers of evil, that God will help them to bring freedom to those entrapped by poverty, addictions, prejudice, oppression or violence. God of life, *hear our prayer*.

For those in need of our prayers, remembering especially Richard, Dana, Sal, Jeffie, Larry, Mark, Cindy, Thomas, Catherine, Beth, Kennie, Bob, M.L., Darryl, Henrietta, Harrison, Patty, Fran, Jim, Monica, Mike, and for those we now name either silently or aloud (pause); that they may be filled with hope and strength. God of life, hear our prayer.

In thanksgiving for those who gave their lives on the beaches of Normandy to ensure that freedom and democracy were restored to Europe. God of life, *hear our prayer*.

For all the departed who have been raised with Jesus and brought into his presence, remembering especially those we now name either silently or aloud (pause). God of life, hear our prayer.

Lifting our voices with all creation, with Saint Christopher, Barnabas the Apostle and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ. *To you, O Lord our God*.

Celebrant

We believe and so we pray, O God, that your glory may enter our lives. Hear the prayers we offer this day and send us out to proclaim the power of your resurrection, through Jesus Christ our Savior, who with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

The Peace Welcome and Concerns Offertory Sentence Offertory Hymn 381





The Alleluias in stanzas 1-3 may be sung antiphonally.

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Presentation of Alms and Oblations

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer 1

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is truly right, and good and joyful,

to give you thanks, all-holy God,

source of life and fountain of mercy.

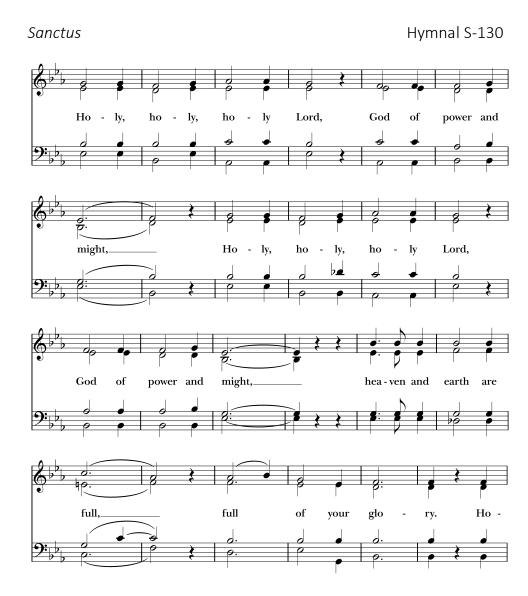
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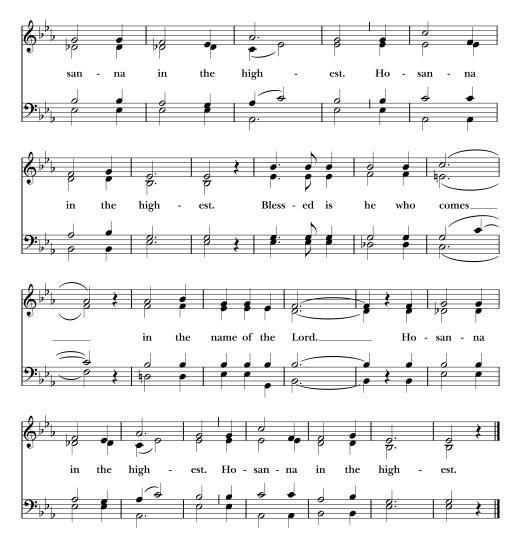
You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body.

Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

In place of the preceding, a Proper Preface from the Book of Common Prayer may be used.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:





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The Celebrant continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.

Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night before he died for us,
Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread,
and when he had given thanks to you,
he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said:
"Take, eat:
This is my Body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said:
"Drink this, all of you:
This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with Saint Christopher and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. AMFN.

And now, 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.





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Celebrant

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Communion of the People

All who seek a closer relationship with God are invited to receive communion. Congregants are invited to leave their pews starting at the front of the church and working back. If intinction is your preference, please sanitize your hands first.

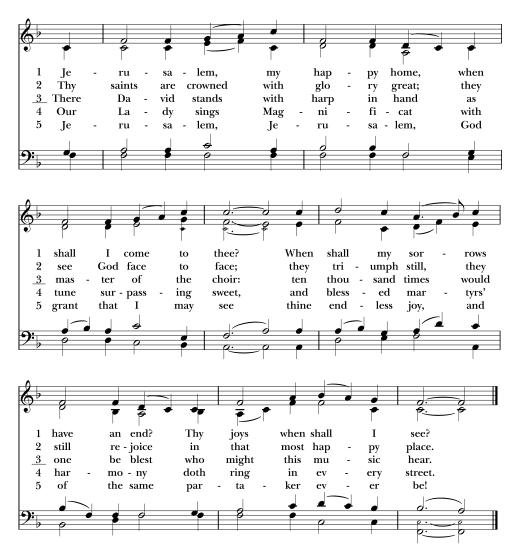
Prayer after Communion

Celebrant and People

Loving God,
we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn 620



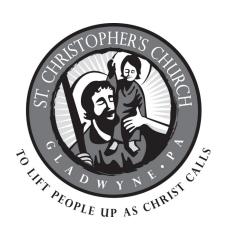
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The Dismissal Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.

Alleluia, Alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude Now Thank We All Our God Karg-Ellert



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