



ST. CHRISTOPHER'S CHURCH

2 PENTECOST

JUNE 22, 2025

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, 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 372

1 Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name
 2 Form - less, all love - ly forms de - clare his love - li - ness;
 3 His Spi - rit flow - eth free, high surg - ing where it will;
 4 E - ter - nal life hath he im - plant - ed in the soul;

who was, and is, and is to be for ay the same.
 ho - ly, no ho - li - ness of earth can his ex - press.
 in pro - phet's word he spoke of old; he speak - eth still.
 his love shall be our strength and stay while a - ges roll.

The one e - ter - nal God ere aught that now ap - pears:
 Lo, he is Lord of all. Cre - a - tion speaks his praise,
 Es - tab - lished is his law, and change - less it shall stand,
 Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name

the first, the last, be - yond all thought his time - less years!
 and ev - ery - where a - bove, be - low, his will o - beys.
 deep writ up - on the hu - man heart, on sea, on land.
 who was, and is, and is to be, for ay the same.

Words: Medieval Jewish liturgy; tr. Max Landsberg (1845-1928) and Newton M. Mann (1836-1926). Music: *Leoni*, Hebrew melody; harm. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1985, alt.

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.

Gloria

Hymnal S-280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you

take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy

on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,

you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most

High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the

glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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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 Kings 19:1-4,5-15a

Insert

Psalm 42

Insert

Second Lesson: Galatians 3:23-29

Insert

Gradual Hymn 529

Unison or harmony



1 In Christ there is no East or West, in
2 Join hands, dis - ci - ples both of the faith, what -
3 In Christ now meet both East and West, in

him no South or North, but one great fel - low -
e'er your race may be! Who serves my Fa - ther
him meet South and North, all Christ - ly souls are

ship of love through - out the whole wide earth.
as his child is sure - ly kin to me.
one in him, through - out the whole wide earth.

Words: John Oxenham (1852-1941), alt.

Music: McKee, Afro-American spiritual; adapt. and harm. Harry T. Burleigh (1866-1949)

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

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After the Gospel, the Celebrant says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

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

Through faith in Jesus Christ, let us pray to the God who has shone in our hearts with the light of God's glory, saying: *In your mercy, hear our prayer.*

For the Church: especially Sean our Presiding Bishop, and Daniel our bishop, that with all who call upon Jesus as Lord, we may do the will of God. *In your mercy, hear our prayer.*

For this parish family, especially Hillary and Kristen our priests, that we may embrace the challenges of life with courage and allow God to lead us through them to new life. *In your mercy, hear our prayer.*

As we now seek to renew our church home and strengthen our outreach partnerships through our Capital Campaign, give the members of this parish wisdom, discernment, and generous hearts, so that we may grow in our commitment to our mission of Lifting up all as Christ calls. *In your mercy, hear our prayer.*

For Donald our President, Joshua our Governor, and for the gift of peace, that God will turn hearts from violence and help us each to see one another as children of God. *In your mercy, hear our prayer.*

For all those throughout the world for whom the daily life we take for granted is filled with violence, struggle and anxiety, that God will ease their burdens and set them free. *In your mercy, hear our prayer.*

For those in danger and need, the poor, the lonely and the unloved, and for the sick and the suffering, remembering especially Richard, Thomas, Catherine, M.L., Darryl, Jenny, Mark, Ben, Melissa, Merrill, Loretta, Monica, John, Heather, Michelle, Harry, Virginia, Samantha, Kristen, David, Ray, Brian, and for those we now name either silently or aloud (pause); that they may know that the God of Jacob is their stronghold. *In your mercy, hear our prayer.*

For all the departed, remembering especially those we now name either silently or aloud (pause); that they may be known by God and enter the kingdom prepared for those who do God's will. *In your mercy, hear our prayer.*

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

Celebrant Blessed are you, O God, who sends us the Spirit of truth. Hear the prayers we offer this day and let your Holy Spirit kindle in us the welcome fire of your love, that we who are many may be one body, serving the world in your name, through Jesus Christ the Risen One, in the power of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Celebrant We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Celebrant and People

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.

Absolution

Celebrant

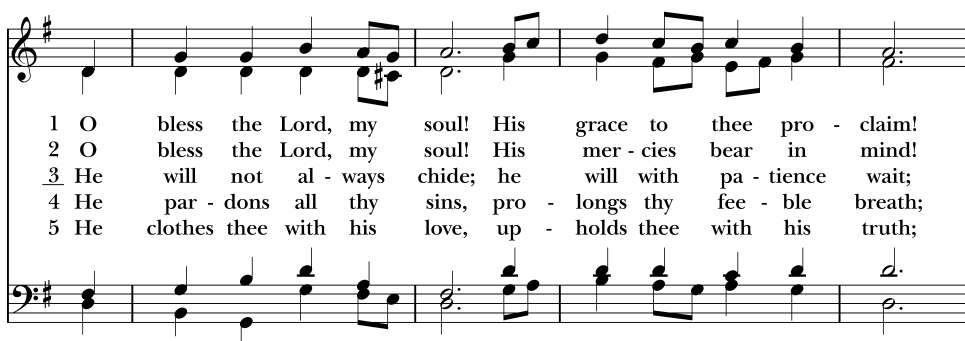
Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through
our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the
power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Peace

Welcome and Concerns

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Hymn 411



1 O bless the Lord, my soul! His grace to thee pro - claim!
2 O bless the Lord, my soul! His mer - cies bear in mind!
3 He will not al - ways chide; he will with pa - tience wait;
4 He par - dons all thy sins, pro - longs thy fee - ble breath;
5 He clothes thee with his love, up - holds thee with his truth;

1 And all that is with - in me join to bless his ho - ly Name!
 2 For - get not all his ben - e - fits! The Lord to thee is kind.
 3 his wrath is ev - er slow to rise and rea - dy to a - bate.
 4 he heal - eth thine in - fir - mi - ties and ran - soms thee from death.
 5 and like the ea - gle he re - news the vi - gor of thy youth.

6 Then bless his holy Name,
 whose grace hath made thee whole,
 whose loving-kindness crowns thy days:
 O bless the Lord, my soul!

Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854); para. of Psalm 103. Music: *St. Thomas (Williams)*, melody Aaron Williams (1731-1776); harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872).

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 2

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.

The Celebrant proceeds

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God,
 source of life abundant.
 From before time you made ready the creation.
 Your Spirit moved over the deep

and brought all things into being:
 sun, moon, and stars:
 earth, winds and waters;
 and every living thing.
 You made us in your image,
 and taught us to walk in your ways,
 But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away;
 and yet, as a mother cares for her children,
 you would not forget us.
 Time and again you called us
 to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels
 in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity,
 lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

Sanctus

Hymnal S-130

The musical score is written for a two-part setting (Soprano and Bass) in B-flat major, indicated by two flats in the key signature. The time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are distributed across three systems of staves.

System 1:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

System 2:

might, _____ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

System 3:

God of power and might, _____ hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: From *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937). Copyright © 1985 GIA Publications, Inc.

The people kneel

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God.
To deliver us from the power of sin and death
and to reveal the riches of your grace,
you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant,
that she might conceive and bear a son,
Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us.
He broke bread with outcasts and sinners,
healed the sick and proclaimed good news to the poor.
He yearned to draw all the world to himself
yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.
Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross
the sacrifice of his life,
and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us,
Jesus was at the table with his friends.
He took bread, gave thanks to you,
broke it, and gave it to them, 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.
Again, he gave thanks to you,
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.”

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation,
and remembering Christ, crucified and risen,
who was and is and is to come,
we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine,
and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts
That they may be the Body and Blood of Christ.
Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth
and make us your new creation,
the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us,
With Saint Christopher all your saints,
from every tribe and language and people and nation,
to feast at the banquet prepared
from the foundation of the world.

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. *AMEN.*

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.

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

This system contains the first line of music. The vocal line (treble clef) begins with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4 and B4, then a half note C5. The piano accompaniment (bass clef) consists of a steady eighth-note bass line starting on G3 and a chordal accompaniment of G4 and B4. The lyrics are: "Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us."

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

This system contains the second line of music. The vocal line continues with a half note D5, followed by quarter notes C5 and B4, then a half note A4. The piano accompaniment continues with the same eighth-note bass line and chordal accompaniment. The lyrics are: "Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us."

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

This system contains the third line of music. The vocal line begins with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4 and B4, then a half note C5. The piano accompaniment continues with the same eighth-note bass line and chordal accompaniment. The lyrics are: "Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:"

give us your peace, give us your peace.

This system contains the fourth line of music. The vocal line begins with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4 and B4, then a half note C5. The piano accompaniment continues with the same eighth-note bass line and chordal accompaniment. The lyrics are: "give us your peace, give us your peace."

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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.

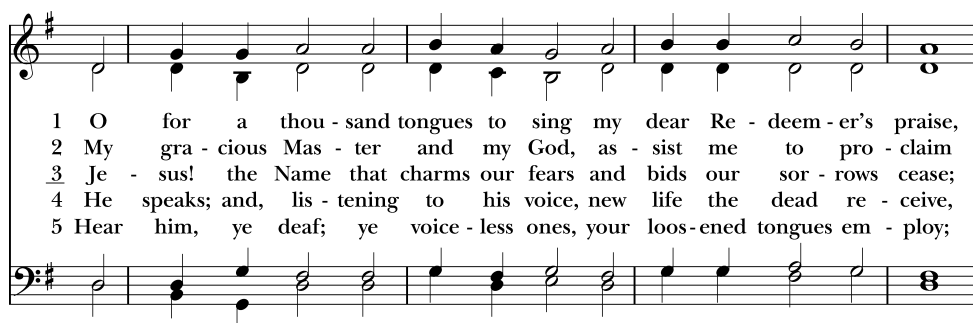
Prayer after Communion

Celebrant and People

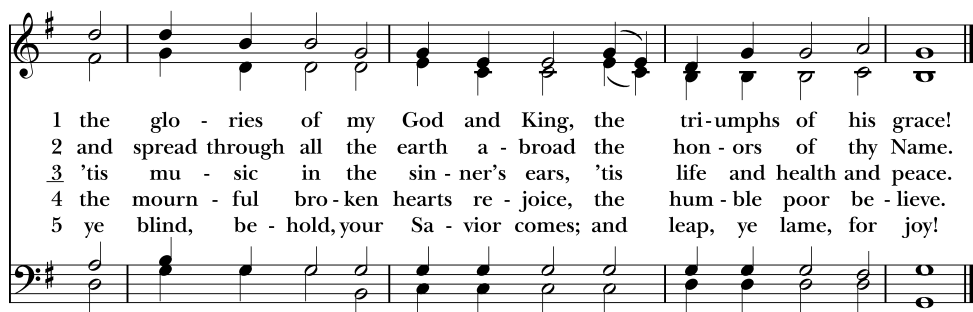
Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn 493



1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my dear Re - deem - er's praise,
 2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim
 3 Je - sus! the Name that charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease;
 4 He speaks; and, lis - tening to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive,
 5 Hear him, ye deaf; ye voice - less ones, your loos - ened tongues em - ploy;



1 the glo - ries of my God and King, the tri - umphs of his grace!
 2 and spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy Name.
 3 'tis mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.
 4 the mourn - ful bro - ken hearts re - joice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.
 5 ye blind, be - hold, your Sa - vior comes; and leap, ye lame, for joy!

6 Glory to God and praise and love
 be now and ever given
 by saints below and saints above,
 the Church in earth and heaven.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: *Azmon*, Carl Gotthilf Gläser (1784-1829); adapt. and arr. Lowell Mason (1792-1872).

The Dismissal

Let us go forth in the Name of Christ.

Alleluia, alleluia.

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude

Concluding Voluntary

Thompson



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