



the well

Order of Worship

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

April 28, 2024
5:00 p.m.

*We welcome you to Christ Church Cathedral. Since 1839,
this Christian community has gathered for worship.*

 *The Cathedral is equipped with a hearing loop for assisted listening via telecoil.*

Fifth Sunday of Easter **The Holy Eucharist**

five o'clock in the evening

THE REV. ELIZABETH PARKER, *Affiliated Clergy*
Celebrant

MICHELLE GIRARDOT
Cantor

*Good evening and welcome to The Well. The order of service has been adapted
to observe the holy season of Easter. We are so glad that you are here.
Come close, draw near, and receive the grace of God.*

OPENING MUSIC

TRADITIONAL SCOTTISH TUNES

PRAYER FOR THE EVENING

Christ, you are risen from the dead. We are risen with you. May our life never deny this eternal life, this peace and hope and joy. Praise and glory to the God of life who is stronger than all kinds of death. Alleluia. **Amen.**

Please stand.

HYMN



1. In Christ called to bap - tize, we wit - ness to grace
2. In Christ called to ban - quet, one ta - ble we share,
3. In Christ called to wit - ness, by grace we will preach
4. U - nite us, a - noint us, O Spir - it of love,



and gath - er a peo - ple from each land and race.
a ha - ven of wel - come, a cir - cle of care.
the life - giv - ing gos - pel; God's love we will teach.
for you are with - in us, a - round us, a - bove.



In deep, flow - ing wa - ters, we share in Christ's death,
Al - though we are man - y, we share in one bread.
By grace may our liv - ing give proof to our praise
E - quip us for ser - vice with gifts you be - stow.



then ris - ing to new life, give thanks with each breath.
One cup of thanks - giv - ing pro - claims Christ, our head.
in cost - ly com - pas - sion re - flect - ing Christ's ways.
In Christ is our call - ing. In Christ may we grow.

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

God of deep soil and luxuriant growth; you call us from our shallow selves to find our depth in you: may we abide in him alone who can teach us who we are; through Jesus Christ, the true vine. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

PSALM 22:24–30

Deus, Deus meus

My praise is of him in the great assembly;

I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.

The poor shall eat and be satisfied,

and those who seek the LORD shall praise him:

“May your heart live for ever!”

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD,

and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.

For kingship belongs to the LORD;

he rules over the nations.

To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship;

all who go down to the dust fall before him.

My soul shall live for him;

my descendants shall serve him;

they shall be known as the LORD's for ever.

They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn

the saving deeds that he has done.

Please stand.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 15:1–8

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

All sit. A period of silence is observed.

THE REFLECTION

A period of silence is observed following the Reflection.

HYMN

We will sing the entire hymn five times.



Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You a - lone, O Lord, are ho - ly.



Come and fill our hearts with your peace, al - le - lu - ia!

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INTERCESSIONS FOR EASTER

The People stand. The intercessor says

Jesus has risen from the dead! Alleluia!

By his cross he has defeated the power of evil; and through his resurrection we are set free. Alleluia! Lord, without your resurrection our faith would be empty and without hope. But you are alive, and we rejoice and dance and wonder in the mystery of your presence among us.

We pray for your church: free us from the shackles of guilt and legalism, and help us to proclaim the message of healing and forgiveness for which you died.

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Lord, your friends and disciples must have been utterly bereft at your death, with all their hope and purpose broken. So we pray now for those who are in darkness and pain today: those facing the keen disappointment of broken hopes; lives damaged by broken relationships and broken trust; people with broken hearts; bodies broken by torture; and spirits broken by injustice.

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray, Lord, for broken communities, and we ask your forgiveness for our own apathy, and our desire to wash our hands of involvement in the plight of others.

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Risen Lord, surround with your presence and peace those who are ill, and the families, friends and hospital staff who care for them.

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Accept our prayers, and take them up into your creative energy of love which you let loose into the world on those extraordinary Passover days.

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

SILENT PRAYER AND CANDLE LIGHTING

Following the Intercessions during the instrumental music, you are welcome to come forward to light a votive candle as a symbol of your prayer. As we see others light candles, we recognize that we are all carrying prayer concerns known to us alone, and we are reminded to treat one another with kindness and care. Tapers and votives are located to the right of the altar and in front of the transept to the left. Please feel free to go to either of these places to light a candle.

THE PEACE

The Celebrant says

Christ descended to death and hell, passed through doors locked by fear to breathe the Spirit of peace and make us one humanity; nothing can now separate us from the love of God.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The people greet one another in the name of the Lord, after which the people are seated for brief announcements.

HYMN



1. You are the peace of all things calm,
2. You are the door that's open wide,
3. You are my Lord and with me still,



you are the place to hide from harm.
you are the guest who waits in side.
you are my love, keep me from ill.



You are the light that shines in the dark,
You are the stran - ger at the door,
You are the light, the truth, the way,



you are the heart's e - ter - nal spark.
you are the call - ing of the poor.
you are my Heal - er this ver - y day.

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The people stand.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 God thanks and praise.**

We praise you, God of freedom, for you breathed life into the void and showed yourself as the one who loves in freedom.

From the nothingness of slavery you called a people into being and led them to springs of life; the presence of your glory went with shattered exiles into strange and distant lands and gathered from the valley of despair the flesh and blood of living hope.

In Jesus you confronted the powers that killed and oppressed; you spoke to those considered dead and helped them stand again; he taught us to die that we might live.

He gave himself for us tortured and forsaken, but he could not be confined by death; in the garden he speaks our name, in the breaking of the bread he shows himself among us; by the lakeside, in the new day, he calls us to take up his work.

Therefore, with all who lost faith, all who walked away in sadness, with the women at the tomb, and the men who hid in fear we confess ourselves surprised by the suddenness of dawn and join the undying song of heaven:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

We ask that your Holy Spirit will fall upon us and upon these gifts that these fragile, earthly things may be to us the body and blood of our lord and brother, Jesus Christ; who, on the night that he was betrayed, gathered with his faltering friends for a meal that tasted of freedom. Calling them to his table, he took bread and broke it and said: "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this to remember me." In the same way after supper, he took the cup saying: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, whenever you drink it, to remember me." As on that night, so here and now he offers himself in touch and taste beyond all words can hold.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Therefore, in our eating and drinking we are filled with the life-giving presence of Christ; we proclaim him as creation's host, transforming poverty into plenty in the reckless generosity of love.

Inspire us with the hope that one day death and greed will be no more, and people without number will come from east and west, north and south, to share the kingdom meal.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom and in whom in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory be yours, Mother of blessings, forever and ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ;

People **We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

Celebrant Bread and wine; the gifts of God for the people of God.

People **May we who share these gifts be found in Christ and Christ in us.**

At the direction of the ushers you are invited to form a single line in the central aisle to receive Communion in front of the altar.

The sacrament of Holy Communion has been precious to Christians for 2,000 years. It is a way in which many sense the reality of God's forgiveness, our union with God and each other, and the eternal life to which we belong. Please know that you do not have to be an Episcopalian to receive Communion. To receive, you may kneel or stand at the altar rail. Receive the Bread in the palm of your hand and the Wine either by drinking from the cup or by intinction, touching the Bread to the Wine. Gluten-free Bread is available; simply ask at the altar rail. If you need Communion brought to you in the pew, please tell an usher.

The People stand.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

Risen Christ, whom we have seen with our eyes and touched with our hands; the word of life in whom our joy is complete: send us out to declare your truth, your unshakable faith in the world you love. Amen.

THE BLESSING

May the living God remove the suffocating shroud that lies upon our world; may the risen Savior draw the sting of death, bringing all to life in him; may the flowing Spirit set us and all creation free and seal our hearts with faith; and the blessing of God, Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer, be with you this night and always. **Amen.**

HYMN

1. Lord, you have al - ways been — our home through ev -
 2. From dust we came, to dust — re - turn, for in
 3. At each day's dawn - ing, make us glad; fill us

- ery gen - er - a - tion known;
 your clear _____ e - ter - nal sight
 with your _____ love all _____ our days;

be - fore the hills or earth _____ were made
 a thou - sand years pass as _____ a day
 and we will sing a - loud _____ for joy

you are the e - ter - nal God _____ a - lone.
 or as a few _____ hours in _____ the night.
 and of - fer you _____ our life - long praise.

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THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Deep peace of the running wave to you. Deep peace of the flowing air to you. Deep peace of the quiet earth to you. Deep peace of the shining stars to you. Deep peace of the Son of God to you. Deep peace, deep peace.

People **Thanks be to God.**

CLOSING MUSIC

TRADITIONAL WELSH TUNE

The Book of Remembrance

This week we remember James Lee Ketelsen.

The Beauty of Flowers

The flowers on the Cathedral Altar are given to the glory of God in loving memory of our nephew, Tyler Bludau, by Shirley Bludau and Mike Grimes.

Becky Baxter, *Music Coordinator and Harpist for The Well*
Dr. Kimberly Clark, *flautist*
Mayara Velasquez, *cellist*

Welcome to Christ Church Cathedral!

We are blessed by your presence. If you are new to the Cathedral, please fill out the WELCOME card in your pew and put it in the offering plate or give it to an usher.

Tours of the Cathedral are available every Sunday following the 11 a.m. service and on the third Sunday of each month after the 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. services. Look for the guide under the crucifixion window at the rear of the nave.

*Portions of this service come from "Prayers for an Inclusive Church"
by Steven Shakespeare, published by Church Publishing, Inc.*

Please be advised that our services are Livestreamed to Vimeo and Facebook. Your participation in the service serves as your consent to the broadcast of your image and voice and to the broadcast of the image and voice of your participating minor children.

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Welcome

Sunday, April 28, 2024

Announcements

- ❖ **Cathedral Book Club** • A different book is discussed on the first Wednesday of the month. On May 1, the group will discuss *The Irregulars: Roald Dahl and the British Spy Ring in Wartime Washington*. For more details on this book or joining the group visit: www.christchurchcathedral.org/bookclub
- ❖ **Gather Round for May Fete** • One of the oldest Cathedral traditions takes place on Sunday, May 5! A special bilingual Eucharist will be held at 10 a.m., followed by the maypole festivities in the Bishop's Courtyard. Stay for food, games, fun and fellowship perfect for all ages. To learn more and volunteer, visit: www.christchurchcathedral.org/mayfete
- ❖ **Ascension Day Eucharist** • Join us on Thursday, May 9, for an Ascension Day service with music in the Golding Chapel at 12:05 p.m. This Holy Eucharist marks the final appearance of the Risen Lord to the apostles.
- ❖ **Make your 2024 EMC Pledge** • There's still time to make your annual pledge! Submit your pledge by dropping a pledge card in the offering plate or scan the QR code to pledge online. Questions? Contact CFO Patrick Saccomanno at psacomanno@christchurchcathedral.org or 713-220-9759.
- ❖ **Wednesdays at the Cathedral** • Holy Eucharist is offered at 12:05 p.m. each Wednesday in Golding Chapel. Cathedral Tour Guides are available to welcome you at the bell tower from 10:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. You may spend your time alone, or the guide will share the Cathedral's rich history with you. While you're here, visit the Cathedral Bookstore from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (M-Th), and enjoy a delicious meal at Treebeards restaurant, open 11 a.m. to 2 p.m (M-F).
- ❖ **Sunday School** • Each Sunday we gather together as a community and grow in our faith through teaching and discussion. Classes are offered for children and youth each Sunday from 10–11 a.m. and Latino ministries from 1–2:30 p.m. Learn more and register at: www.christchurchcathedral.org/sundayschool



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